

AWRE PARISH COUNCIL  
&  
BURIAL AUTHORITY

Report for the Press of Meeting held on 17.7.2017

Councillors had no objections or observations in relation to the following: an application for the removal of existing render from gable end, fitting new lead work above roof and applying new render in rough cast finish to Listed Building, Byeways, Etloe.  
Replacement windows to Listed Building, Colstry Cottage, Hitchings, Blakeney.

Notification has been received of the granting of an application for the erection of two storey and single storey extensions, and extending canopy along front of dwelling at Church View, High Street, Blakeney.

It was agreed to request the Enforcement Officer to look into further works at Etloe House Farm, Etloe, for which Councillors could not recall seeing any planning application.

The Enforcement Officer will also be asked to look at the site of the 'Building at Clark's Lane, Blakeney' which has become a real 'eyesore'.

Two local residents, who have kindly been maintaining the area at the bottom of Church Square, where there are two flower tubs and a public seat, expressed dismay at recently witnessing two local residents drinking beer on the benches and throwing their bottles into the stream. Apart from this being an offence it is very disheartening.

It was also noted that recently planted flowers in a flower tub outside Blakeney Post Office have disappeared.

It is a great shame that the efforts of the Council and local residents to enhance a potentially beautiful village are negated by a minority who appear to have no respect for their surroundings.

Rather than waste any further public money the Council agreed to remove the flower tub outside the Post Office.

It was agreed to co-opt Mr R Cotton to fill the vacancy on the Parish Council.

County Councillor Boyles informed the meeting that he was arranging to meet with local Police to discuss their local policing policy.

Some of the Councillors undertook an annual 'Walkabout' in the Parish and identified a number of issues that need addressing.

Amongst these was the overgrown state of a number of footpaths. It was agreed that these be reported to Mr Wheeler, Public Rights of Way Officer and that he be invited to a future meeting of the Parish Council to discuss the County Council's current strategy regarding

footpaths.

A meeting took place recently between Cllr's Bullock and Allen and Mr N Crockett regarding the possibility of purchasing further cemetery land in Blakeney. Cllr Allen presented a report which outlined extensive work required by the Environment Agency, which would have to be undertaken in the first instance, in order to ascertain the suitability of the land for burials. There were further surveys which would need expenditure in order to support a planning application. These, added to the substantial cost being requested for the purchase of the ½ acre of land itself, meant that the Council agreed to stick to its original proposal not to pursue the purchase.

It was agreed that the Council would make arrangements with the Cemetery Contractor to keep the footpath which runs from All Saints Road to Blakeney Recreation Ground clear, despite the fact that this should be the responsibility of the County Council.

The next meeting of the Awre Parish Council will be held on 21.8.2017 at Blakeney Recreation Centre @ 7.00pm. Members of the public are invited to attend and are able to address the meeting at the beginning.