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AWRE PARISH COUNCIL
and BURIAL AUTHORITY

Extraordinary Meeting held on 24.07.2017 at Blakeney Recreation Centre.

Present: Cllr M Marshall – in the Chair

Councillors R Fellows, G Bullock and R Cotton.
 Clerk D Preece. District Councillor G Hughes. Also in attendance for part of the meeting:-
 County Councillor R Boyles and B Watkins, County Highways.

1.APOLOGIES

Cllrs Deighton, Allen and Clarke. Accepted by the meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. OUTSTANDING HIGHWAY ISSUES

Cllr Bullock pointed out a number of drainage issues around Awre which needed attention. Moorend Lane drains need unblocking. There is a drain in Millend which was missed by the recent cleaning programme. Mr Watkins agreed to address these.

White lines need reinstating in Hitchings, Blakeney. At the junction with Blakeney Hill Road a gulley and some tarmac have collapsed. There was some further subsidence to the roadway along the top of Blakeney Hill.

Cllr Fellows produced a map on which he had marked a number of places on Blakeney Hill where hedges were encroaching on the road making it difficult for cars, heavy vehicles and pedestrians. Mr Watkins explained that it was their policy to inform the relevant landowners in the first instance and to allow them two weeks to cut the hedges back before Highways intervened further.

The Clerk mentioned a complaint from residents in Millend, Blakeney regarding undergrowth on the corner of the junction with Butlers Mead, where visibility was severely restricted, potentially putting children's lives at risk. This could be a task for the 'Lengthsman Scheme'.

There are overhanging branches at the bus shelters at the top and bottom of Nibley.

Mr Watkins said that Amey had accepted the proposal to shift the School Safety Zone sign on the A48 in Blakeney to include the Millend junction. He will submit a detailed design and hopes to have an assessment of priority by the end of August.

He agreed to look at two road signs that need attention in Blakeney.

There are a number of problems relating to footpaths in the Parish. The Clerk is trying to arrange a meeting with Mr Wheeler, Public Rights of Way Officer.
 Clerk to inform County Council that it supports the proposal for the diversion of DAW67, opposite to the junction of A48 and New Road.

3a. PLANNING APPLICATION

P1067/17/FUL. 2, Pollards Lane, Blakeney. Erection of a replacement dwelling, part demolition and retention of existing dwelling to form workshop. Councillors support the application.

3b. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The following accounts were proposed by Cllr Fellows, seconded by Cllr Marshall and agreed for payment;

Payee	Amount	For	Authority
Andrew Duce	£250.00	Refurbishment of benches in Blakeney	1
MJ Fisher	£222.00	Grass cutting	2

Authority for payment – Local Govt Act 1972 unless otherwise stated.
1 – PCA 1957 s.1. 2 –Highways Act 1980 s.96.

3c. RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR PIKE

This was accepted by the meeting. A statutory notice will be posted tomorrow.

4. OTHER MATTERS CONCERNING THE COUNCIL

Items for next month's agenda;- Purchase of bulbs, Updating of Cemetery plan.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 8.20 pm.