

AWRE PARISH COUNCIL
&
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Report for the Press of Meeting held on 20.11.2017

In the light of comments made by the Conservation Officer, Councillors were unable to support a Planning Application and Listed Building Application for the demolition and replacement of a rear conservatory and the creation of a raised patio at Underdean House, Newnham Road, Blakeney.

Councillors were also unable to support an Application for the erection of a two storey dwelling with associated parking and landscaping and the demolition of an existing cottage at Wych Hazel Cottage, Blakeney Hill, Blakeney. It is not clear that this is in fact a 'replacement dwelling'. Councillors could see the intent at high quality architecture, but felt that this had not been achieved. The building, of a very modern design, would be prominent from Blakeney village, the A48, local footpaths and properties. It was also unclear how the two properties would interact and where the respective boundaries would be. Parking and access to the existing property was unclear.

Notification has been received of the granting of the following applications:-
Sunningdale, Etloe. Erection of a two storey side extension to provide facilities for a disabled person Demolition of existing garage.
Salmonstone, Etloe. Erection of an additional first floor, providing additional accommodation to existing bungalow.

Notification has also been received in relation to an application to erect two new one and one half storey properties at Cliff Patch, New Road, Blakeney. An appeal against the refusal of planning permission by the District Council has been dismissed by the Planning Inspectorate.

The Parish Council's publicity campaign regarding the use of footpaths has received praise from the County Council's Public Rights of Way Officer. A poster has been designed and it is hoped that footpath 'maps' will be available soon.

The County Council can provide a comprehensive training day for anyone who is able to volunteer to assist in keeping the paths in the Parish clear. Loan of equipment is also possible. Anyone interested is requested to contact the Parish Clerk on 516808.

It now looks very likely that the plan to install hanging baskets in Blakeney village for next summer will go ahead. The Parish Council is awaiting the permission of the County Council to proceed.

County Councillor Boyles explained that the scheme to improve the A417 at Air Baloon

Hill was gaining momentum and it is hoped that work will start in the not too distant future.

He also asked for publicity in relation to the Fire Brigade, who are running a recruitment drive. Anyone over the age of 18 who is interested, is encouraged to apply.

The Council will shortly be advertising for tenders for the Blakeney Cemetery Maintenance contract which is due for renewal.

Concern was expressed about a number of issues relating to the bottom of the Cinderford Road in Blakeney. Car parking on pavements and overgrown hedges are creating dangers for pedestrians and motorists alike. This and a number of other local highway issues will be discussed with the Highways Area Supervisor

The complaints about dog fouling in Blakeney, on Blakeney Hill Road, Millend and the Hitchings, have been reported to the Street Warden, who will be stepping up his patrols. He will be asked to fit more penalty signs in the areas identified.

The next meeting of Awre Parish Council will be held at the Blakeney Recreation Centre on 11.12.2017 @ 7.00pm. Members of the public are invited to attend and are able to address the meeting at the beginning.