

AWRE PARISH COUNCIL  
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BURIAL AUTHORITY

Report for the Press of Meeting held on 6.8.2018

With regard to a Planning Application, for the erection of a replacement dwelling with annexe accommodation for relative, x2 two bedroom holiday lets, x1 three bedroom holiday lets, stables, agricultural storage barn incorporating bee house plus office/farm store and creation of external courtyard with associated works. Demolition of existing dwelling, agricultural barns, stables and garages, Councillors had no objections in principle, but had concerns about drainage, increased traffic movements in Millend and possible expansion of the site. It was agreed to arrange a site visit.

There were no objections or observations in relation to an application to vary condition 02 (approved plans) and 03 (rooflight details) to allow changes to exterior design, first floor internal layout and to omit rooflights from a previous planning application at Salmonstone, Etloe.

Notification has been received of the granting of the following applications: The Orchards, Brains Green. Erection of a replacement dwelling and 2 storey double garage with associated works. Demolition of existing house and garage; Rose Cottage, Blakeney Hill Road, Blakeney. Erection of a single storey extension and associated works (Resubmission); Listed Building consent for same; 3, Newnham Road, Blakeney. Listed building consent for the replacement of 4 front windows; Hillview Cottage, Blakeney Hill. Alterations to existing garage by raising roof height to create first floor lobby room and store; Greenfields, Awre. Change of use of barn to form two holiday lets.

District Councillor G Hughes told the meeting that his efforts to stop the District Council from axing its rodent catching service had failed. He was very concerned about vulnerable residents who would be unable to afford the high costs of calling in private operators.

Councillor Cotton attended a meeting of the Forest Economic Partnership when it was stated that Gloucestershire had been at the 'back of the queue' when the faster broadband implementation programme had been rolled out. As a result there were a number of problems in the Forest, which were being investigated.

He also stated that the Gloucestershire Plan and its vision for the future were looking at 'Cyberhubs', the possibility of a new Severn Bridge near Lydney, and the lack of higher education provision in Gloucestershire.

The Parish Council will consider a number of new projects including the refurbishment of red telephone boxes, repair/replacement of Parish Notice Boards, Xmas decorations in Blakeney and an increase in the number of hanging baskets in Blakeney.

A recent 'risk assessment' of Blakeney Cemetery' revealed several gravestones in need of attention. The Clerk will attempt to contact the relevant relatives.

For the first time data has been collected from the flashing 30mph sign in Blakeney. During the month covered, over 50 vehicles were recorded at speeds in excess of 60mph. The Council will monitor over a longer period before deciding what might be done.

The next meeting of Awre Parish Council will be held at Blakeney Youth Club at 7.00pm on 18.9.18. Members of the public are invited to attend and are able to address the meeting at the beginning.