## DRAFT AWRE PARISH COUNCIL and BURIAL AUTHORITY

Meeting held on 16.10.2018 at Awre Village Hall

Present: Cllr M Marshall – in the Chair

Councillors R Fellows, R Cotton, G Bullock, A Blake, Clerk D Preece. Also in attendance Joanne Greening, Ursula Deighton.

#### 1.APOLOGIES

Cllr Clarke, Cllr Ware, Cllr Allen, accepted by the meeting. District Cllr G Hughes.

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Joanne Greening declared an interest in Item 17.

#### 3. PUBLIC FORUM

Nobody present.

#### 4. CO-OPTION TO FILL PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

It was proposed by the Chairman and agreed by the meeting that this item be brought forward.

The Clerk has received permission from the District Council to fill the vacancy.

Joanne Greening gave a brief rundown of her background, experience and reasons for wishing to stand as a councillor. She left the room while a short discussion took place. It was proposed by Cllr Marshall, seconded by Cllr Fellows and agreed by the meeting that she be co-opted by the Council forthwith.

She signed declaration forms. Clerk to send her introductory information.

#### 5. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18.9.18, were approved as circulated, and signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

# 6. REPORT OF THE CLERK ON MATTERS ARISING SINCE THE LAST MEETING

The Clerk reported that he had ordered four illuminated Christmas trees (Solar panel powered) for the two posts adjacent to Cinderford Road, Blakeney, as requested. They will be installed in late November and operate daily, throughout December, coming on at 4.30pm and going off at 9.30 pm.

A Highways meeting took place on 9.10.18, between Councillors and Mr Watkins, Highways Supervisor, when a number of issues were discussed.

Cllr Fellows will produce some notes of the meeting which will be circulated to all Councillors.

## 7. MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 9.10.18

The minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 9.10.18, as circulated, were approved by the meeting as a true record of the meeting.

## 8. REPORT OF THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Councillor Hughes sent apologies.

## 9. REPORT OF THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Not present.

## 10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P0852/18/FUL. Brownings Farm, Millend, Blakeney. Erection of a replacement dwelling with annexe accommodation for relative, x2 two bedroom holiday lets, x1 three bedroom let, stables, agricultural storage barn incorporating bee house plus office/farm store and creation of external courtyard with associated works. Demolition of existing dwelling, derelict agricultural barns, stables and garages. Councillors decided to defer comments until a detailed drainage plan and a Highways report have been received.

P1388/18/FUL. Wych Hazel Cottage, Blakeney Hill. Erection of a single storey rear and side extension and construction of patio area to the front with associated works. Revised Description. Councillors original comments till stand.

## 11. DECISIONS RELATING TO PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P0983/18/LBC. Hickmans Court, Chicknalls Lane, Blakeney. Listed building permission to replace windows, doors and a lintel and restore front porch. Granted 3.10.18. P1055/18/FUL. Salmonstone, Etloe. Variation of condition 02 (approved plans), and 03 (rooflight) to allow changes to exterior design. Granted 19.9.18. P1167/18/FUL. The Orchards, Brains Green. Erection of replacement dwelling (Revised scheme). Granted 5.10.18

## 12. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE LAST MEETING

2018-10-01 – FODDC – Notice of estimated costs of Parish elections 2019 – Noted. 2018-10-02 – J Skelton – Request for info. re wasp nest – Referred to County Highways and/or Blakeney Recreation Centre.

2018-10-03 – FODDC – Request for local precept – Next meeting.

2018-10-04 – Forestry Commission – Update on progress of eel pass at Blakeney Weir – Scheduled for installation during week commencing 26.11.18.

#### 13. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

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

Payee	Amount	For	Authority
W Hale	£155.00	Hanging basket watering.	1
Highbury Garden Services	£470.00	Cemetery Mtce.	2
Waterplus	£26.84	Toilet water supply.	3
Blakeney Youth Centre	£52.50	Room hire.	4

Authority for payment – Local Govt Act 1972 unless otherwise stated. 1 – Highways Act 1980 s96. 2 – s214. 3– s112.Public Health Act 1936 s.87. 4 – s134.

## 14. REQUESTS FOR ANNUAL DONATIONS

Requests have been received from the following: St Andrews Church, Awre( Assistance with cost of maintaining churchyard); All Saints Church, Blakeney(Assistance with clock maintenance); Blakeney Youth Centre(Assistance with running costs); Cobalt, SARA, and Blakeney Duck Race, Sue Ryder.

See attached list for the agreed donations (Section 137). Proposed by Cllr Fellows, seconded by Cllr Marshall and agreed by the meeting.

#### 15. RETIREMENT OF THE CLERK AND HIS REPLACEMENT

The Clerk sent a letter of appointment to Ursula Deighton, who attended the meeting and accepted the appointment subject to the negotiation of contract details.

The outgoing and incoming Clerks will meet to discuss handover arrangements.

## 16. HANGING BASKETS, BLAKENEY

It was agreed that, overall, the public response to the introduction of the baskets was positive. There were some problems relating to growth due to the hot weather and lack of rain. A discussion took place regarding the expansion of the scheme, but there are restrictions relating to the ownership of land on which to site additional baskets. It was agreed that Rooftop Housing be approached regarding the possibility of installing a basket on their land adjacent to the British Legion site.

Regardless of the latter it was agreed to continue with the existing baskets next year. The cost would be less because this year's outlay included the posts and watering equipment.

## 17. THE REMOVAL OF BLAKENEY RED PEARS FROM NIBLEY

The Council is extremely unhappy because once again Mr Bull, removed the pears from the trees belonging to the Parish Council at Nibley, without permission.

At the Chairman's request the Clerk sent an invoice for £50.00 (the estimated value) to Mr Bull. So far there has been no response.

It was agreed that he be invited to the next meeting to explain his actions.

## 18. MATTERS RELATING TO THE CEMETERY

Cllr Allen is still working on the revision of the cemetery charges.

Mr W Hale has repaired the loose slate and repainted the Lych Gate.

Cllrs Allen, Fellows and Cotton agreed to visit to assess the degree of risk regarding the bank where the undergrowth has been removed.

## 19. OTHER MATTERS CONCERNING THE COUNCIL

The Clerk informed the meeting that he had revised the Standing Orders, in line with NALC guidelines. To be circulated to members.

It was suggested that a representative of the Forest Of Dean Dementia Action Alliance be invited to the next meeting to explain their mission to ask Councillors to sign up.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 8.23 pm.

Donation	Amount	Date	Donation	Amount	Date
Request	granted		Request	granted	
Blakeney Youth			Blakeney Youth		16.10.2018
Club	£250.00	16.10.2017	Club	£275.00	
St. Andrews			St Andrews	£475.00	ditto
Church,Awre	£450.00	16.10.2017	Church,Awre		
All Saints			All Saints	£170.00	ditto
Church,Blakeney	£162.50	16.10.2017	Church,Blakeney		
Cobalt	£50.00	16.10.2017	Cobalt	£50.00	ditto
			SARA	£50.00	
Blakeney Duck			Blakeney Duck	£50.00	Later
Race	£50.00		Race		
			Sue Ryder	Nil	
CAB	£50.00				
TOTAL				£1070.00	
<b>AMOUNT</b>	£1012.00				