

Awre Parish Council & Burial Authority

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To: All Members of the Public

You are Invited to attend the Parish Council meeting to be held at 7.00 p.m. on Monday, 17th February, 2025 at Awre Village Hall for the transaction of business on the following agenda.



Ursula Deighton,
Clerk to Awre Parish Council
12th February, 2025

A G E N D A

179. APOLOGIES

To receive apologies for absence.

180. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of interest from members in matters on this agenda or arising during the meeting.

181. DISPENSATIONS

To consider requests from members for dispensation to speak on a matter in which they have an interest.

182. PUBLIC FORUM

Members of the public are invited to make comments or raise issues.

183. CO-OPTION TO THE PARISH COUNCIL

To consider the co-option of Mr. Simon Smith to the Parish Council.

184. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

To consider the adoption of the minutes for the Parish Council meeting held on 20th January, 2025. (As circulated)

185. MATTERS ARISING

To receive information from the Clerk relating to any matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

186. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

To receive a report from the County Councillor.

187. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

To receive reports from the District Councillors.

188. PLANNING – FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

To consider the following planning applications:

188.1 P0074/25/DISCON - Diddly Quercus Barn (Also Known As Barn At The Hawfield), Newnham Road, Blakeney

Discharge of Conditions 8 (Landscape and Ecological Management Plan), 9 (Reasonable Avoidance Measures Statements), 10 (internal and external lighting) and 11 (Full Surface Water Drainage Scheme) relating to planning permission P1637/22/FUL.

188.2 P0044/25/FUL - Pitching Green Cottage, Pitching Green, Blakeney

Removal of Condition 4 (retained in the ownership of occupants of Pitching Green Cottage and not sold off as a separate unit) relating to planning permission P1531/19/FUL to allow the holiday let to be run as a separate independent business.

188.3 P0043/25/FUL - Woodpecker Cottage Holiday Let, Dean Forest Retreats, Pitching Green, Blakeney

Variation of Condition 1 (occupancy restriction and tie to Pitching Green Cottage) and removal of Condition 2 (annexe occupancy restriction to Pitching Green Cottage) relating to planning permission P0655/15/COU to allow the holiday let to be run as a separate independent business and remove the annexe use.

188.4 P1298/24/FUL - Kings Head, High Street, Blakeney

Change of use of land for the temporary installation of a mobile double-deck play bus within garden area. Additional information received.

188.5 P0023/25/PREAPP Butlers Mead – Pre-application for the installation of the Cycle Shelter at this location. To consider what needs to be done in order to ensure the Council has permission to install the Cycle Shelter.

189. CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION

189.1 Application for Highways Act 1980 Section 26 Order - Blakeney Toilets Access

To note the reply received regarding the organisation of a site meeting.

189.2 Hedge laying/Fence – to consider what action to take regarding the information that the fence along the hedge line that is being laid needs to be removed/replaced.

189.3 Letter from WWT regarding a visit(s) to sites of interest and also requesting a meeting with the Parish Council.

189.4 GAPTC – notice of Extraordinary General Meeting to take place via Zoom on 18th March, 2025 to adopt the following changes:

i) That GAPTC Transition to a Company Limited by Guarantee - *This change will modernise GAPTC's legal structure and provide greater financial and operational security.*

ii) That GAPTC Formally changes its name to Gloucestershire Association of Local Councils (GALC) - *This new name better reflects the organisation's role in representing all local councils across the county and is in line with other NALC-affiliated County Associations.*

189.5 GAPTC - The Gloucestershire Climate Change Community Fund is open until Monday, 3rd March at 11am.

190. FINANCE

190.1 To approve the following accounts for payment:

Inv. Ref.	Chq. No./ BACS	Payee	Purpose	Auth	Amount
24/57	BACS	Merlin Waste	Fortnightly collection from dog waste bins. Collection of New Rd. bin suspended temporarily.	Litter Act 1983, ss. 5,6	£30.33
24/58	BACS	Ursula Deighton	Clerk's pay for December	LGA 1972 s.112	£602.96
24/59	BACS	Waterplus	Water supply 14/01 – 14/02	Public Health Act 1963 s.73 s.142	T.B.C.
24/60	DD	Freeola	Quarterly E-mail 26/01 – 25/04/2025	LGA 1972 s.112	£8.64
				TOTAL:	£

190.2 Grass Cutting Contract – 2025-2027

To receive a recommendation regarding the grass cutting contract for Blakeney.

191. LEAD COUNCILLOR REPORTS

191.1 Highways & Parish Council Land – Cllrs. Bullock and Hoyland

191.2 Footpaths/Public Rights of Way (PROW) – Cllr. Fellows

191.3 Cemetery & Grass Cutting – Cllr. Greening

191.4 Assets, Amenities & Maintenance – Cllrs. Fellows and Scott

191.5 Snow Warden & Flooding - Cllr. Scott

191.6 Emergency Plan – Cllr. Cotton

To receive a copy of the Emergency Plan as requested at the last meeting.

192. MINOR MATTERS INCLUDING INFORMATION RECEIVED BY THE CLERK

193. ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

First Aid/Defibrillator training – awaiting dates for venue.

Proposal to improve the appearance of the area around the war memorial at Awre.

Tree inspections and maintenance.

Rubble left on Awre Village Green.

194. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Dates 2025	Meeting	Venue Time: 7.00 p.m.	Agenda items & Dispensation requests by:
17 th March	Parish Council	Blakeney Youth Centre	7 th March
14 th April	Parish Council	Awre Village Hall	4 th April
T.B.C.	Annual Parish	Awre Village Hall	
19 th May	Annual PC	Awre Village Hall	9 th May
16 th June	Parish Council	To be confirmed	6 th June
21 st July	Parish Council	Awre Village Hall	11 th July
18 th August	Parish Council	Awre Village Hall	8 th August
15 th September	Parish Council	To be confirmed	5 th September
20 th October	Parish Council	Awre Village Hall	10 th October
17 th November	Parish Council	Awre Village Hall	7 th November
15 th December	Parish Council	To be confirmed	5 th December