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 on Monday, 16th June, 2025 at 7.00 p.m. at the **Youth Centre, Blakeney,** for the transaction of business on the following agenda.

Ursula Deighton,

Clerk to Awre Parish Council

11th June, 2025

AGENDA

31. APOLOGIES

To receive apologies for absence.

32. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

33. DISPENSATIONS

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

34. PUBLIC FORUM

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

35. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

To consider the adoption of the minutes for the following meetings:

- 35.1 Annual Parish Council meeting held on 19th May, 2025. (As circulated)
- 35.2 Parish Council meeting held on 19th May, 2025. (As circulated)

36. MATTERS ARISING

To receive information from the Clerk relating to any matters arising from the minutes of the May meetings.

37. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

To receive a report from the County Councillor.

38. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

To receive reports from the District Councillors.

39. PLANNING – FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

39.1 P0430/25/LBC - Guy Hall Cottage, Northington Lane, Awre

Listed building consent for the replacement of existing PVC windows with new timber-framed windows.

39.2 P0499/25/FUL & P0500/25/LBC - The Old Post Office, Church Square, Blakeney Listed building consent for the installation of wood burner, window upgrades and replacements, removal of Small Brick Chimney, repainting front elevation.

Dropped kerb and creation of off-road parking with alterations to railings.

39.3 P0470/25/FUL - 1 Little Box Cottages Awre Newnham

AMENDED DESCRIPTION Change of use of a small parcel of agricultural land to an enlarged residential curtilage and the erection of a double garage with associated works.

40. CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION

40.1 Etloe Railway Works – Cllr. Hoyland

To receive an update regarding the complaints about the state of the local roads.

40.2 Footpath adjoining Yew Tree Inn

To note the response received from Chosen Care.

40.3 Groundskeeper

To consider the next steps.

40.4 Annual Internal Audit

To receive the report from GAPTC following the audit undertaken on 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} June, 2025.

40.5 Devolution

To receive a copy of the response sent to GAPTC regarding this survey.

41. FINANCE

41.1 To approve the following accounts for payment:

Inv.	Chq.	Payee	Purpose	Auth	Amount
Ref.	No./				
	BACS				
25/17	BACS	GAPTC	Training – Cllr. Hoyland	LGA 1972 s.112	£45.00
25/18	BACS	Merlin Waste	Fortnightly collection	Litter Act 1983,	£46.80
			from dog waste bins.	ss. 5,6	
25/19	BACS	Ursula Deighton	Clerk's pay	LGA 1972 s.112	£602.96
			Reimbursement Postage		£11.20
			Chosen Care x 2		
25/20	BACS	WaterPlus	Water supply to toilets	Public Health Act	T. B. C.
			14/05 – 14/06/25	1963 s.73 s.142	
25/21	BACS	Highbury Garden	Grass Cutting	LGA 1972 s.124	£895.00
		Services	27/05 and 10/06/2025		
25/22	BACS	Forest & Wye	Tree works as approved.	LGA 1972 s.124	£720.00
		Tree Services			
25/23	BACS	GAPTC	Internal Audit Service *	LGA 1972 s.111	£250.00
				TOTAL:	£T.B.C.

^{*} N.B. this fee is higher than anticipated at the time of the budget due to the Council exceeding the £25,000 threshold.

41.2 Annual Governance and Accountability Return – 2024/2025

41.2(a) To receive and note the Annual Internal Audit Report.

41.2(b) To resolve to consider and approve the Annual Governance Statement (Section 1) and that the Chairman and Clerk/RFO sign this document.

41.2(c) To resolve that the Chairman sign the Accounting Statements (Section 2).

41.3 Final Budget/Reserves

To receive and approve the final budget and reserves for 2025/26.

42. SALTMARSH RESTORATION PROJECT

To receive and consider the update provided by WWT.

43. LIGHTWOOD SOLAR FARM PROPOSAL

To consider whether to accept the offer of a site visit.

44. LEAD COUNCILLOR REPORTS

- 44.1 Highways & Parish Council Cllrs. Bullock and Hoyland
- 44.2 Planning Cllr. Fellows
- 44.3 Footpaths/Public Rights of Way (PROW) Cllr. Fellows
- 44.4 Cemetery & Grass Cutting Cllrs. Johnson and Greening
- 44.5 Assets, Amenities & Maintenance Cllrs. Fellows and Scott
- 44.6 Snow Warden Cllr. Scott & Flooding Cllr. Smith
- 44.7 Emergency Plan Cllr. Cotton

45. MINOR MATTERS INCLUDING INFORMATION RECEIVED BY THE CLERK

46. ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

First Aid/Defibrillator training – Clerk to check with Cllr. Scott regarding dates. Proposal to improve the appearance of the area around the war memorial at Awre. Inspection of the Cemetery wall along the brook to be carried out in the Summer and the brook walls alongside Collins Garden and Post Office Green – doodle poll to be sent around.

47. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Dates	Meeting	Venue	Agenda items &
2025		Time: 7.00 p.m.	Dispensation requests
			by:
21st July	Parish Council	Awre Village Hall	11th July
18th August	Parish Council	Awre Village Hall	8th August
15th September	Parish Council	Blakeney Youth Club	5th September
20th October	Parish Council	Awre Village Hall	10th October
17th November	Parish Council	Awre Village Hall	7th November
15th December	Parish Council	Blakeney Youth Club	5th December
19 th January	Parish Council	T.B.C	9 th January
16 th February	Parish Council	T.B.C.	6 th February
16 th March	Parish Council	T.B.C.	6 th March