

GREAT BLAKENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Members of the public and the press are invited to attend the Parish Council Meeting to be held on Thursday 14th March 2024 in the Parish Room, Stowmarket Road, Great Blakenham at 7.30pm.

AGENDA

1. To receive and approve any apologies for absence. - Cllr Will Durrant
2. Declaration of any pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests
 - a. Councillor's declaration of interest appropriate to any item on the agenda.
 - b. To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interest (if any)
 - c. To grant any requests for dispensations as appropriate.
 - d. Co-option of parish councillor(s) / to sign declaration of acceptance.
3. Public Forum
 - a. To receive the report from the County Councillor
 - b. To receive the report from the District Councillor
 - c. To receive questions from members of the public
4. To approve the Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 8th February 2024
5. To note the Clerk's update from previous Meetings.
 - a. Tree guards have been purchased/installed for the trees on Hackneys Corner as agreed.
 - b. Oak Tree on allotment has been crowned as agreed.
 - c. Soil stack removal at cemetery not completed as let down by contractor.
6. Planning
 - a. To consider the following planning applications.

DC/24/00645	Blue Leighs Caravan Park, Chalk Hill Lane, Great Blakenham, Suffolk	Reduce crown height and spread ,balance to reduce risk of failure in adverse weather conditions. Response by 1 st March 2024.Clerk responded with no objections
DC/24/00573	Gipping Valley Bowls Club, Masons Sports Field, Bramford Road, Gt Blakenham Suffolk	Erection of Bowls Pavilion (following demolition of existing portacabin). Response by 6 th March 2024. Clerk responded with no objections as PC already agreed support.
SCC/0083/22 MS	Masons Landfill, Bramford Road, Great Blakenham, Ipswich, IP6 0JX.	Construction and operation of a solar photovoltaic farm including ancillary equipment. The application is being considered by the Development and Regulation Committee on 19 March 2024.

- b. To note any planning determinations.

DC/24/00645	Blue Leighs Caravan Park, Chalk Hill Lane, Great Blakenham, Suffolk	Reduce crown height and spread ,balance to reduce risk of failure in adverse weather conditions. Approved 8 th March 2024
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7. Growth, Highways, and Infrastructure

- a. Update on CiL Monies owed.
- b. Update on flooded property on Stowmarket Road.
- c. Flooding on Bramford Rd/Addison. Anglian water and highways responsible.
- d. Note large pothole/ dropped drain on Gipping Road near White bridge.

8. Governance

- a. To note internal audit for 23/24 will be booked with SALC as soon as available.
- b. Request for support for Barham Picnic Site project.
- c. Hedgehog Highway project.
- d. Update on Gipping Valley Bowls Club project
- e. Review policies

9. Allotments.

- a. Update on availability
- b. It should be noted that the initial overview of plans for Stowmarket Rd indicates that the allotment will remain in its current location.
- c. Discuss enquiry to solicitors for licence of allotment.
- d. Discuss application for community asset.

10. Village Maintenance

- a. Discuss damage to verges on Hackneys Corner/Hoods Drive etc from vehicles
- b. Update from district and county Cllrs for who responsibility for painting of White Bridge, Gipping Rd.
- c. Update on village hall refresh programme.

11. Churchyard and Cemetery.

- a. Discuss review of Cemetery Fees
- b. Update of Cemetery Policies

12. Training and Development for Councillors and Clerk

13. Finance

- a. To consider approving and making the following payments:

Shades	B	Hackneys Corner maintenance as per tender - 2433	£197.00	LGA 1972 s111
Shades	B	Grounds Maintenance as per tender - 2434	£507.50	LGA 1972 s111
Shades	B	Street cleaning as per tender - 2435	£1316.67	LGA 1972 s111
Payroll	B	Ending 29 th Feb 2024	£976.30	LGA 1972 s111
Three	D	Clerk Mobile	£11.00	LGA 1972 s111
Clerk	B	EE - Chair Mobile and Wifi Hub	£26.00	LGA 1972 s111

- a. Payments outside of meeting agreed in previous minutes

Fisk Tree Services	B	Oak tree crowning on allotment	£445.00	LGA 1972 s111
Gt Blakenham Village Hall	B	Money to support purchase of table/chairs curtains	£4078.24	LGA 1972 s111
Designer Metal	B	4 x Tree guards Inv 5668	£576.00	LGA 1972 s111

14. Reports -To receive reports from Councillors assigned to the following:

- a. Suez Annual Report
- b. Village Hall – Cllr Kemp
- c. NSIP Update

15. Correspondence

- a. Request for update on concrete blocks on footpath off Bramford Road
- b. Anti-social behaviour near and around Budgens Store.

16. Future meetings

- a. To note invitation for items to be considered in the next meeting.
- b. To note the date of the next scheduled Meeting on 11th April 2024 and any items for the agenda.

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