

**GREAT BLAKENHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

Members of the public and the press are invited to attend the Parish Council Meeting to be held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2024 in the Parish Room, Stowmarket Road, Great Blakenham at 7.30pm.

**AGENDA**

1. To elect the Chairman of Great Blakenham Parish Council
2. To elect the Deputy Chairman of Great Blakenham Parish Council.
3. To receive and approve any apologies for absence.
4. 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.
5. 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 (allow 15 mins)
6. To approve the Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2024.
7. To note the Clerk’s update from previous Meetings.
  - a. NSK Landscapes have been awarded the work to remove the soil from the soil stack at the cemetery.
  - b. Port One community gain offer of solar panels and the Gipping Meadow project will hopefully be signed off imminently and then we should receive timeframes.
  - c. Lock stop plank replacement is going ahead but waiting for end of fish breeding season.
8. Planning
  - a. To consider the following planning applications.

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- b. To note any planning determinations.

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- c. Any other planning matters to note –

**9. Growth, Highways, and Infrastructure**

- a. Update on painting of white bridge

**10. Governance**

- a. Finance end of year reports
  - b. Finalise project budget allocation
  - c. Note Nest pension scheme set up and SALC managing contributions.
  - d. Chairmans allowance

**11. Allotments.**

- a. Compost bins missing from allotment
- b. Note ongoing allocation of empty plots being arranged.

**12. Village Maintenance**

- a. Discuss village maintenance
- b. Improvements to Hackneys Corner
- c. Hedgehog tunnels

**13. Churchyard and Cemetery.**

- a. Burial fees review
- b. Cemetery rules review

**14. Training and Development for Councillors and Clerk**

- a. Confirm numbers for cemetery training on July 17<sup>th</sup> 2024

**15. Finance**

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

Shades	B	Hackneys Corner Maintenance as per tender -2462	£135.00	LGA 1972 s111
Shades	B	Grounds Maintenance as per tender -2461	£507.50	LGA 1972 s111
Shades	B	Street Cleaning as per tender -2460	£1316.67	LGA 1972 s111
Monthly Payroll -Clerk	B	Month ending April 2024	£976.30	LGA 1972 s111
SCC	B	Street light maintenance - 9542812	£2168.18	LGA 1972 s111
Three	D	Mobile phone April 2024	£11.87	LGA 1972 s111
EE	B	Reimbursement for wifi/mobile to clerk	£26.00	LGA 1972 s111

**16. Reports**

To receive reports from Councillors assigned to the following:

- a. Gt Blakenham Village Hall – Cllr Debbie Kemp

**17. Correspondence**

- a. Email asking what is being burnt at the new Pyrolysis plant.

**18. 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 Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2024 and any items for the agenda.

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