

GREAT BLAKENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Members of the public and the press are invited to attend the Parish Council Meeting to be held on Thursday 10th April 2025 in the Parish Room, Stowmarket Road, Great Blakenham at 7.30pm.

1. To receive and approve any apologies for absence.
2. Declaration of any pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests
 - a. Councillor's declaration of interest appropriate to any item on the agenda. – Cllr Leonard 8b Sea Cadets
 - 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. Planning

- a. To consider the following planning applications.

DC/24/05243	Land Adjacent To 10 Chapel Lane, Great Blakenham, Ipswich , Suffolk	Land Adjacent To 10 Chapel Lane, Great Blakenham, Ipswich , Suffolk Response extended to 11 th April 2025
DC/25/01207	Units 5 And 6, Plummers Dell, Great Blakenham, Ipswich Suffolk IP6 0JG	Retention of change of use of land from B2 to B1 office use and re-positioning of Porta cabin. Re-positioning of porta cabin approved under application 1308/17. Response by 22/04/2025

- b. To note any planning determinations.

DC/25/00478	86 Plummers Dell IP6 0HW	Erection of single storey rear extension (following demolition of conservatory), first floor extension and front porch extension - GRANTED
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5. To approve the Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 13th March 2025

6. To note the Clerk's update from previous Meetings.

- a. Logged the concrete boulders in Blue Barn Lane with Highways. Response- *They have inspected the route again. The landowner did reposition one of the concrete blocks in May 2024 (following contact from the rights of way department) to improve the access and the width that is available there now is, in keeping with the width that exists between the concrete bollards that have been in position there for a long time. We feel this was a reasonable response.*
- b. Written to Environment agency concerning Stop plank and brick repair- awaiting response.
- c. Village Hall Playground- Playground inspection will be booked and no dogs/disclaimer signs will be installed .

7. Growth, Highways, and Infrastructure

- a. Street Lighting
- b. Port One

8. Governance

- a. Email domains
- b. Donation requests – Parish Room flooring, Sea Cadets, Bowls club heating, Brave futures
- c. Potential Joint PC surgery meeting
- d. External Audit
- e. Litter/dog bin emptying service
- f. Maintenance Tender update

9. Allotments.

- a. Community Asset

10. Village Maintenance

11. Churchyard and Cemetery –

- a. Topple testing update
- b. Cemetery shelter

12. Training and Development for Councillors and Clerk

13. Finance

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

Payroll	B	Ending 31.03.2025	£1050.22	LGA 1972 s111
Nest	DD	Month 12 Ending 31.03.2025	£50.61	LGA 1972 s111
HMRC	B	P30 Ending 5 th April 2025	£162.87	LGA 1972 s111
EE/K Grimwood	B	WIFI/mobile reimbursement	£28.04	LGA 1972 s111
Shades	B	Inv 2643 Mole Hill clearance at churchyard.	£30.00	LGA 1972 s111
Shades	B	Hackneys Corner maintenance as per tender Inv 2642	£135.00	LGA 1972 s111
Shades	B	Street Cleaning as per tender Inv 2640	£1316.67	LGA 1972 s111
Shades	B	Grounds Maintenance as per tender Inv 2641	£507.50	LGA 1972 s111
Three	DD	Clerk phone contract	£13.00	LGA 1972 s111
SALC	B	Councillor Basics Training INV 29539	£158.40	LGA 1972 s111
ICO	DD	ICO renewal fee ICO:00019642948	£52.00	LGA 1972 s111
Parish Rooms	B	Yearly Room Hire	£200.00	LGA 1972 s111
Pest Control Services	B	Wasp nest treatment cemetery	£65.00	LGA 1972 s111
SALC	B	6 months payroll service Inv 29651	£57.60	LGA 1972 s111
SALC	B	Salc membership subscription 2025/26 Inv 29926	£799.04	LGA 1972 s111

- a. Payments outside of meeting – None
- b. Money Received – £67.08 Bank credit interest

Bank Balance @ 31/03/2025

Unity Trust Current Account Balance - £168,937.84

Unity Trust Saver Account Balance - £12,032.47

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

- a. Village Hall funding
- b. Illegal encampment

15. Correspondence –

- a. Working hours of landfill site
- b. Height of landfill mound

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 8th May 2025 and any items for the agenda.

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