

Bletchingdon Parish Council

To all members of Bletchingdon Parish Council
You are summoned to attend The Parish Council meeting
in Bletchingdon Village Hall Meeting Room on Wednesday 24th September 2025 at 7:30pm

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence

2. To Received Declarations of interest

Members are asked to declare any personal interest, and the nature of that interest, they have in any of the items on the Agenda, in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct.

3. Public participation

To receive questions from members of the public relating to items on the Agenda, in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct and standing orders.

4. To approve and sign the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 27th August 2025.

5. Update of Actions List

Clerk to report - Refer to monthly rolling Action List.

6. County Council matters/reports/correspondence

To receive a report from County Councillor.

- a) OCC – The latest news for your communities – 27 August 2025.
- b) OCC – The latest news for your communities – 10 September 2025.
- c) Cllr Laura Gordon – Councillor Priority Fund is open for applications.
- d) Digital Infrastructure Programme team – Weekend Support – Information for Residents.
- e) Age UK – OCC is reminding residents about free electric blanket testing – posted on Facebook.
- f) Health Improvement Practitioner – resources for Stoptober.

7. District Council matters/reports/correspondence

To receive a report from District Councillor.

- a) CDC – Cherwell Parish Bulletin – 27 August 2025
- b) Natasha Clark – Report of Parish Remuneration Panel 2025/26 and Notice. Added to website.
- c) The Duchess of Kent – Book of Condolences.

8. Parish matters/Parish plan

- a) **Community Emergency Plan** – see Emergency Planning update 1 and email from SSE.
- b) **Green Bletchingdon**
- c) **Bletchingdon Bus Service**
- d) **Bletchingdon School**
- e) **Neighbourhood/Parish Plan** - Cllr D. Ledger to report.
- f) **Village Improvements**
- g) **The Village News** - Next issue is for October/November and PC article has been submitted.
- h) **Enforcement Update** – No update
- i) **Community Fitness Area** - Cllr D. Ledger to report.
- j) **EV charging points** - Cllr D. Robins to report.
- k) **Land behind the Sports Social Club** - Cllr M. Taylor to report.
- l) **Speedwatch** – see email from Rebecca Watkinson.
- m) **Station Yard, Enslow** – see email correspondence from Rebecca Watkinson.
- n) **Flags appearing in Village** – see various emails.

9. Finance

To consider invoices for payment which are itemised on the Payment Schedule for September 2025.

- a) Barclays bank statements – propose to change to obtaining them online rather than by post.

- b) Barclays Community Account – propose to transfer money to interest earning account. Agree a minimum amount to stay in the Community Account.

10. Planning Applications –

a) Awaiting Decision

25/02175/F - G Legge - Yard at, Gosford Bridge, Hampton Gay, OX5 2JJ

Replace existing access gates and boundary fencing with 2.4m high fence and gates.

25/02166/TCA – Mrs Fiona Cadwallader – The Old Rectory, Weston Road, Bletchingdon, OX5 3DH
G1- Beech woodland- Remove large deadwood stubs and broken branches. Crown raise to 1.8 metres leaving smaller growth on main stem. T2-Beech-Fell (storm damaged). T4-Holly-Remove long trailing branches house side approx x5 branches to encourage thicker growth.

b) Decisions made

23/01327/F – Portdevon - 11 & 12 Canal Close, Enslow, OX5 3FE

Full permission for alterations to plot 11 and 12 approved under 15/00822/F comprising ground floor rear extensions and internal alterations to create an additional floor within the roof space.

Application permitted

c) Appeals

APP/C3105/W/25/3366681 - 25/00748/PIP

Trinity Properties Ltd - 8 Heathfield Cottages, Heathfield, Kidlington OX5 3DU

Permission in Principle - Proposed conversion of existing building to form 1 no. dwelling/house.

Removal of existing outbuildings.

Appeal allowed and permission in principle is granted

d) To note those received after Agenda publication

11. Correspondence (emails and letters) received

- a) Jane Olds – Consideration of Internal Auditor. Letter of Engagement 2025/26 with Agreement of Terms for signature by Clerk and Chair or appropriate Council Member.
- b) OALC – August Newsletter.
- c) Matthew Barber – Local update August 2025.
- d) Chris White PDI - Cyber Crime support for Local Organisations. Forwarded to the BCF Chairman.
- e) Martin Harris, Chairman of Oxford Green Belt Network of Parish Councils - 'threat of 'Greater Oxford' to Oxford Green Belt.
- f) David Robey, Vice-Chair of Kidlington Parish Council – Reasons to oppose 'Greater Oxford' proposal.
- g) Eleanor Wilson, Oxford Vaccine Group – Advert for BiVISTA Study. Should this be posted on the website/Noticeboard?
- h) ONPA – survey results for 'How effective are Oxfordshire's Neighbourhood Plans?'
- i) Microsoft 365 – price change from £59.99 to £84.99 per year/subscription renewal on 4 October. Suggest upgrading to a business account – see Action list.
- j) CPRE Oxfordshire – August newsletter.
- k) Tracy Garrett of Clean Slate asking for a donation.
- l) Thames Valley Alert - #ProtectYourPension from fraud – posted on Facebook.
- m) Thames Valley Alert – Neighbourhood priorities survey Results – Kidlington.
- n) Jack Hubbard, Finding Fitness – re. eligibility for more lottery funding for play equipment.
- o) Rebecca Bell, Communications Manager for Calum Miller – asking to be informed of upcoming events.
- p) Office of the PCC – September update

12. Reports from meetings

To receive and note reports from meetings for information.

13. Items for information or next Agenda only

All items for next agenda to be submitted to the clerk by Wednesday 22nd October 2025.

14. Date of Next Meeting

To confirm the date of the next meeting on Wednesday 29th October 2025 at 7.30pm.