

Public notice is given for the Second Meeting of 2026/27 for Blunsdon Parish Council, which will be held on **Monday 20th April 2026**, at the village hall, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Addressed to: Cllrs Ian Jankinson, (Chair) (IJ), Sandra Keates (SK), Kingsley Poulton (KP), Ian Selwood (IS), Jim Taylor (JT), Paul Weston (PW), Peter Hughes (PH) & Nick Gardner (NG)

Dear Councillors,

You are summoned to attend the above ordinary meeting of Blunsdon Parish Council, held to transact the business listed in the agenda below. Members of the public and press are welcome to attend.



Signed:

Deborah Braiden, Clerk & RFO to the council. Date: 14th April 2026

Minute Ref No.	AGENDA
14	APOLOGIES: Members who cannot attend a meeting to tender apologies to the Clerk or the Chairman. Advanced apologies received from Cllr Poulton.
15	Welcome – and introduction to Kate Egan the new Finance Officer w.e.f. 17 th April.
16	DECLARATIONS – INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) To receive declarations of interest from councillors for items on the agenda. 2) To receive and grant written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests. <i>(As required by the Council's Code of Conduct for Members and the Localism Act 2011).</i>
17	PUBLIC RECESS Recess - Members of the public are invited to make representations to the Council on any matters relating to the work of the Council or items on this agenda. <i>Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act.</i>
18	MINUTES <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) To approve the draft minutes for the Parish Council Finance meeting held on 16th March 2026. 2) To review action points from the above minutes and approve further actions required.
19	PLANNING <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) To receive and note planning decisions advised by Swindon BC- None 2) To consider and agree comments upon new applications deposited from Swindon Borough Council for comment listed: <p>Application Ref: S/HOU/26/0428 Description: Erection of a single-storey rear extension. Site Address: 3 Anvil Street, Blunsdon, Swindon SN26 7BT</p> <p>Application Ref: S/RES/26/0396 Description: Reserved matters application in respect of scale, layout, appearance and scale in relation to approval of outline application reference S/OUT/20/0549 for the erection of 8 no self build dwellings. All matters reserved except for access. Site Address: Land East Of Woodbine Cottage, Kingsdown Lane, Blunsdon Swindon SN25 5DL</p> <p>Application Ref: S/26/0265 Description: Demolition of garage, erection of 1no dwelling (Class C3), detached dwelling and</p>

	<p>associated works. Site Address: Longways, Front Lane, Blunsdon Swindon SN26 7BJ An extended response date was requested as SBC was unavailable.</p> <p>3) To receive & note planning correspondence</p> <p>To receive an update required from Cllr Gardiner on planning committee meeting on 14th April for:</p> <p>Application Number: S/23/0288TB Proposal: Erection of 19no. dwellings and associated works. Location: Land At Home Farm, Blunsdon, Swindon, SN26 7AX</p>
20	<p>FINANCE</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) To note & approve regular and pre-authorized payments made from current & operations accounts from 16/03/26 to 17/4/26 as in Appendix A & the Regular Payments list. 2) To approve to make payment for items listed in Appendix B. 3) To approve income received during March in Appendix C. 4) To approve bank transfer of £500 from current to top up operations account. 5) To approve all 8-bank reconciliation reports up to 31/3/26. 6) To receive and approve year-end reports. 7) To receive & note Internal Auditor Report and to agree actions from their recommendations. 8) To receive and note quotes received from various contractors for A/C in the shop building. 9) To note correspondence from the COOP bank stating the FCSC now offers protection up to £120k. 10) To note both the Clerk and Deputy Clerk have received statements from the Santander Account.
21	<p>POLICIES & REVIEWS –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) NEW - To receive and approve General Reserves Policy
22	<p>PROJECTS – To receive updates, to discuss and to approve next steps for matters raised for the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) MUGA – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) To receive and approve quote from Christy’s Flood Lighting to adapt switching system for gate access at MUGA £2,828.65. b) To receive an update on water and broadband connection. 2) ERMIN STREET – To consider & approve quote and the position for the new seat and groundworks to be carried out prior to installation of seat. 3) CEMETERY DIGITALISING – To receive an update for the new system. 4) PAVILION – To receive an update for the planning condition works. 5) EMAIL CHANGEOVER – To receive an update. 6) WEBSITE Compliance – To note both Tectonic & Deputy Clerk have been working to ensure the website meets WCAG 2.2 standards.
23	<p>CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>To receive <u>urgent</u> correspondence received and agree on items raised for the next agenda. <i>(To note, decisions cannot be made on matters raised in this section)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Parking issues at football matches 2) Parking issues on Blunsdon Hill – resident complaint
24	<p>EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC - To resolve public exclusion from the next Motion 53, under subsection 2 of Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960</p>
25	<p>STAFFING:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) To consider & approve an increment increase for the Clerk as per her contract from scale point 32 to 33 which equates to 0.65p per hour. 2) To receive & agree the report for home working allowances. 3) To discuss who will take on the Operations management.

26	<p>PARISH MATTERS: To receive and note all other Parish issues raised as items to be added to the next agenda. To agree a date to meet residents in connection to safety issues for Rivan application. To agree on ways to canvas new councillors.</p>
27	<p>KEY MESSAGES & MAGAZINE CONTENT: To receive and note all suggestions received as key messages.</p>
28	<p>CLOSE OF BUSINESS & NEXT MEETING - To record the end time of the meeting and confirm the Summons to attend the <u>Parish Council</u> meeting on Monday 11th May at 7.30 pm, with the <u>Annual Parish Meeting (APM)</u> on Thursday 21st May 2026 at 7pm.</p>

Parish Councillors are reminded of their responsibilities in ensuring entries in the Register of Financial and Other Interests are updated as necessary, and the Monitoring Officer is informed of the nature of any gift or hospitality received in connection with their role of Parish Councillor, to the value of £50 or more, within 28 days of receipt.