



Public notice is given for the next Parish Council Meeting at the Village Hall
beginning at 7.30 p.m.

Seventh Meeting of 2026-27 - Finance	To be held Monday 20th July 2026
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Addressed to: Cllrs Ian Jankinson, (Chair) (IJ), Sandra Keates (SK), Kingsley Poulton (KP), Ian Selwood (IS), Paul Weston (PW), Peter Hughes (PH) & Nick Gardner (NG), Lesley Elliot (LE), Jo Barnett (JB), Vanessa Boyd (VB) & Hazel Wakefield (HW)

Dear Councillors,

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

Signed: Deborah Braiden, Clerk to the council. Date: **13th July 2026**

Minute Ref No.	AGENDA
26/78	APOLOGIES: Members who cannot attend a meeting to tender apologies to the Clerk or the Chairman. FC to approve reasons for apologies.
26/79	DECLARATIONS – INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS 1. To receive declarations of interest from councillors for items on the agenda. 2. To receive written requests prior to the meeting for dispensations of disclosable pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests. (<i>As required by the Council's Code of Conduct for Members and the Localism Act 2011</i>). 3. To grant dispensations received.
26/80	To note and confirm list of councillor buddies: Lesley with Kingsley, Jo with Ian S, Hazel with Sandra & Vanessa with Nick.
26/81	PUBLIC RECESS 1. To receive a report from the Ward Councillor. 2. 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. Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act.
26/82	MINUTES 1. To approve the draft minutes for the Finance Council Parish meeting held on 15th June 2026. 2. To review action points from the above minutes and approve further actions required.
26/83	PLANNING 1. To receive and note planning decisions granted or not granted by Swindon BC GRANTED - S/HOU/26/0562/BURGES Erection of a two-storey side/rear extension and associated works Site Address: Streetside, Front Lane Blunsdon Swindon SN26 7BJ GRANTED - S/HOU/26/0603/WOODCL Erection of detached garage to rear garden. Site Address: Land Adjacent to Fairview Plot 3, Kingsdown Lane, Blunsdon Swindon SN25 5DL

	2. To consider and agree comments upon NEW applications deposited from Swindon Borough Council for comment listed: NONE 3. To receive and discuss Planning Correspondence - NONE 4. SBC Planning Committee Meetings – To discuss any upcoming applications going to committee. NG to update members on the application below. To Note: Following enquiry for receipt and timings of the planning committee agenda, we received the following information: Subject: S/25/1072 - NOTIFICATION OF COMMITTEE MEETING The agenda will be published and available from our website (ww5.swindon.gov.uk/moderngov) one week before the date of the meeting. The meeting will commence at 6.00pm in the Council Chamber, Civic Offices, Euclid Street, Swindon. If you wish to speak at a committee meeting, please email the Committee Clerk at acooper@swindon.gov.uk to lodge your request. This must be done no later than 12 noon on the day before the meeting. Swindon operates an open meeting system where each agenda item is allocated 10 minutes of speaking time in total.
26/84	PROJECTS - To receive updates from working groups for the following sites and operations. To approve any further actions required: (note project works will be discussed at the next finance meeting) <u>1 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE</u> – IS to update following various complaints from public. <u>2 ERMIN STREET</u> – a. To receive an update for the collection of wildflower seeds & bench project. b. To approve quote (1261) for cutting back wildflower with tractor and flail, collect all arisings from areas & disposal. £1950 plus VAT for each cut and collection. c. To approve quote (1261) to cut all hedging along Ermin Street. £1650 plus VAT. <u>3 CEMETERIES & ALLOTMENTS</u> a. To approve purchase of a Stihl leaf blower, strimmer, shears, hedge cutter & PPE for caretaker. See Report. b. To review/approve Burytown Cemetery Regulations 2026. c. To approve notice periods for grave conditions & memorials: 28 days – general maintenance 14 days – urgent safety issues Immediate Action – if a memorial is dangerous d. To approve that: If families do not respond and a memorial remains unsafe, the Council may lay the memorial flat (face up) or cordon it off to secure non-access. e. To view report & approve purchase and installation of a parish notice board. f. To discuss the installation of the replacement bench for residents – installation £122, appropriate bench in keeping with the parish of non-maintenance type from Glasdons £627.05 plus vat. g. To approve quote for removing the large pile of rubbish from Minerva Allotment to the cemetery skip £95. <u>4 PAVILION & REC</u> – a. Clerk to present non-prejudice quotes from contractors if received in time. b. To approve quote (1260) for removing dead wood branches T2 (4 in total). To remove large unsafe branch from tree and dispose of all arisings. £750 plus vat.

	<u>5 MUGA</u> - Receive an update on WIFI installation - Receive an update on Gate Access - To discuss and approve the tennis court relining @ £1995 plus vat - To discuss and approve if the Council would like to move forward with the water station at the MUGA. <u>6 COMMUNITY BUILDING</u> - To approve quote for caging in the AC units on side of building @ £725 - To approve renewal of Gold Service with Daikin – last year was £399 <u>7 SIDS</u> – Receive an update – The Clerk has emailed J Furneal for advice and how to approve sites listed in PH email.
26/85	FINANCE, GOVERNANCE & POLICIES – To discuss & approve the following: - To approve main current bank account reconciliation as £55,215.34. - To approve Batch 6 payments list for paying. - To approve payments for June – Current account £28,175.46, Ops account £345.94 & DDs £453.98 TOTAL £28,975.38 - To approve income for June at £6,754.00 - To discuss and approve forming a Finance Committee. - To approve new members on to working groups/finance committee. - To approve 'Terms of Reference' for new Finance Committee. - To discuss and approve format for meetings moving forward.
26/86	CORRESPONDENCE - To note correspondence received & to receive any post-agenda correspondence. To agree on items raised to be added to the next agenda. <i>(To note, decisions cannot be made on matters raised in this section)</i> - Report of a sink hole opposite the Old Police Station house – NG has reported to SBC as urgent. - Manor Close - road closure 12th – 14th August provisionally
26/87	EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC – To resolve public exclusion from the next Motion, under subsection 2 of Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960.
26/88	STAFFING – To approve reduction in hours for Finance Officer.
26/89	PARISH MATTERS: To receive and note all other Parish issues raised as items to be added to the next agenda.
26/90	KEY MESSAGES & MAGAZINE CONTENT: To receive and note all suggestions received as key messages.
26/91	CLOSE OF BUSINESS & NEXT MEETING To record the end time of the meeting and confirm the Summons to attend the next FULL COUNCIL meeting on Monday 4th August.

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.