

# CODE OF CONSTRUCTION PRACTICE

## *Minimising the impact of construction traffic and parking in Blakeney*

The 'Code of Construction Practice' is designed to minimise disruption to Blakeney residents during new build and renovation projects in the village.

As of October 2020, it is recommended that all new developments and existing sites follow the provisions of the code.

It is important that the owner and their contractors read the code, prior to development, and preferably at the planning stage, to allow time to plan resources and construction methodology.

### **Communication**

- Contractors must communicate with neighbours and local residents before and during works to explain the timescale and impact of the development, and to come up with strategies to minimise disruption.
- Contractors should leave phone numbers and an email address with nearby neighbours in the event of any problems on site or thefts.

### **Site Management**

- Contractors must ensure that they keep sites clean and secure and that all ladders are removed or made secure when the site is unattended.
- Contractors must not leave hazardous materials or substances on site; or ensure they are kept in locked secure storage.
- Tools should be securely stored on site. If not possible they should be removed from site whenever work finishes or if no storage on site, dropped off en route. Contractors should provide transport to the site if necessary.
- Noise should be kept to a minimum when demolishing or cutting materials on site.

### **Traffic**

- Delivery of building materials should be before 9am wherever possible, in order to minimise impact on local traffic.
- Materials should be deposited directly onto the site where possible, not into the roadway, or footpath.
- Use of traffic cones, barriers etc, to redirect or control traffic is not permitted.
- Use of mechanical plant to remove spoil etc, which necessitates large delivery vehicles should be minimized, or deliveries arranged before 9am.
- Contractors and sub-contractors must park within the grounds at which they are working, or in the Village Hall Car Park (free) or in Coronation Car Park (using Pay & Display or apply for a Tradesmen Permit at a cost of £25 (plus VAT) for up

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to 6 months, or £40 (plus VAT) for up to 12 months. **All** permits expire in March each year, despite issue date, and are available by contacting the Parish Office, by emailing: [clerk@blakeneyparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@blakeneyparishcouncil.org.uk)

- No trailers or other goods are to be left in Coronation Car Park without the written consent of Blakeney Parish Council. Any such request must be made in writing to the Parish Council.
- Inconsiderate and unsafe parking on pavements and double yellow lines, verges and green spaces is **not** permitted.
- Such permission will be considered for the likes of SCAFFOLDING & SKIPS, however, it is solely up to the Parish Council's discretion.
- Skips must be parked on a hard surface if not on site, and removed as soon as possible. Before you place a skip on any public highway or road (including a pavement) you need to obtain a licence from Norfolk County Council, this is a statutory requirement as specified in Section 139 of the Highways Act 1980.  
<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/business/licences-and-permits/skip-licences>

### **Reinstating nearby verges, green spaces and planting**

- Contractors must work with Highways to reinstate nearby verges or green spaces and any plantings disturbed by the building project.