

A meeting of **Blakeney Parish Council** will take place on **Tuesday 7th July 2026** in **The Parish Office/Parish Room** commencing at 7:00pm.

All Parish Councillors are hereby summoned to attend.

Tracey Bayfield

Mrs Tracey Bayfield (PSLCC)

Clerk of the Council

30th June 2026

AGENDA

(Timings on agenda are for guidance only.)

1. To receive & consider Apologies for Absence. (7:30pm, 1 minute)

2. To receive & consider Declarations of Interest or requests for dispensations from members – *(Under the 'Code of Conduct', members must declare any disclosable **Pecuniary Interests, and must state the precise nature of the interest.** If such an interest is declared, then the member is not permitted to remain in the meeting for said item. They must not take part in the discussion or voting. If a member has a **Personal Interest, it must be stated** and they may take part in the discussion and voting.)* **(7:31pm, 1 minute)**

3. Minutes - To receive & confirm the minutes of;

- Extraordinary Full Council Meeting held on Tuesday 23rd June 2026. **(7:32pm, 1 minute)**

4. Chairman's Announcements – (7:33pm, 2 minutes)

5. Reports from County & District Councillors;

5.1. *County Councillor* – Victoria Holliday. **(7:35pm, 5 minutes)**

5.2. *District Councillor* – Victoria Holliday. **(7:40pm, 5 minutes)**

6. Open Public Session – to allow members of the public and councillors with prejudicial interests to address the meeting with regard any item on this agenda only. *(Maximum of 15 minutes and up to 3 minutes per participant.)* **(7:45pm, 15 minutes)**

7. Planning Items – PF = Full Planning Permission, PM = Planning Permission – Reserved Matters, LA = Alteration to Listed Building & Appeals.

(Cllrs; Please view applications on the NNDC website ahead of this meeting as there will be no screen sharing at the meeting.)

Decisions must be made in accordance with the policies in the Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan and wider Local Development Plan, unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

(NB: In order to reduce the number of extra ordinary meetings called, any applications which have been received by the Parish Council since the publication of the agenda and the actual meeting, will be considered at said meeting, unless the Parish Council decide otherwise. In order to advise the public, any such applications will have been listed on the Parish Council website alongside said agenda. Plans may be viewed online, please go to www.north-norfolk.gov.uk and follow the links through to planning.)

7.1. North Norfolk Local Plan Review & Call for Sites (04) – The Call for Sites runs from Monday 1st June to Monday 13th July 2026. **(8:00pm, 5 minutes)**

8. FINANCE

8.1. To agree the **Accounts** to be paid. **(8:05pm, 3 minutes)**

8.2. To receive **Clerk/RFO Report**. **(8:08pm, 5 minutes)**

8.3. To receive quotes in relation to the installation and supply of **Christmas Tree/Lights/Electric socket** on green at the junction of Langham Road crossroads. **(8:13pm, 7 minutes)**

9. Written Reports from Representatives on Other Committees/Groups which have met recently if applicable. **(8:20pm, 3 minutes)**

- *Blakeney Village Hall Trust – 7th July 2026 (M.R.)*

10. COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS – *Written questions should be given to the Chairman & Clerk, at least 3 clear working days prior to the meeting; None* at time of print. **(8:23pm, 2 minutes)**

11. CORRESPONDENCE

11.1. None.

For information only; NNDC Planning Decisions or Updates, or any Planning Inspectorate Appeals since our last meeting; most available on NNDC website.

PF/25/2509 – Wild Acre, 83 Morston Road, Blakeney – Approve

PF/26/0347 – Land at Rear of, Marigold, 61 New Road, Blakeney – Approve

PF/25/2542 – Quay Barn, 6 The Quay, Blakeney – Refuse

PF/26/0708 – 8 Wiveton Road, Blakeney - Approve

*Meeting closed; **Approx. 8:25pm***

Next Full Council Meeting
Tuesday 4th August 2026 at 7pm
in The Parish Room

(However, due to changes in Planning Application deadlines, please note that other meetings will be called as and when needed and will be advertised on the noticeboard and website.)

NB. Councillors & members of the public, please note that ANY item requiring a decision in consideration of the agenda MUST be with the Clerk 10 clear days prior to the meeting.
(Saturdays & Sundays are included for ease of calculation, this timescale may change if Annual Leave is being taken, please check with the Clerk.)

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Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of **Blakeney Parish Council** which was held on **Tuesday 23rd June 2026** in **The Parish Room**, commencing at 6:15pm.

Present:- Rosemary Thew (Chairman), Jenny Girling, Samantha Arlow, Judy Pegden, Mike Reed & Alban Donohoe.

Clerk:- Tracey Bayfield Public:- 0 Did not attend:- Willie Weston & Iain Wolfe

1. Apologies for absence were **accepted** from; Shirley Everett, Nigel Sutcliffe & Barry Girling.

2. Declarations of Interest or requests for dispensations from members – None.

3. Resolved that the **Minutes** of the Full Council Meeting held on Tuesday 2nd June 2026 are signed as a true record.

4. Chairman's Announcements – None.

5. Open Public Session – No public present.

6. Confidential Business – Exclusion of the Press & Public

Resolved that due to the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted (detailed below) it is proposed that the press and public are now excluded and they are instructed to withdraw. (Admission to Meeting Act (Public Bodies) 1960.)

6.1. **Resolved** to approve the draft **1 year licence to occupy the Blakeney Parish Room** by a sole trader (Reef Make & Do Ltd) to commence from 01/07/2026, expiring 30/06/2027.

Meeting closed at 6:19pm

Chairman _____

Dear all

A few updates from the County Council, below.

Can I also highlight the Norfolk Warm Homes Scheme providing home energy efficiency improvements (eg insulation, air source heat pumps and solar panels) available to anyone on a low income or means tested benefits (see attached).

Apprenticeship Norfolk – event at the Forum in Norwich 16 June

Norfolk's apprenticeships and opportunities fair is back. It's Norfolk's largest apprenticeships-focused fair and this year there are 40 local employers and apprenticeship training providers exhibiting, along with support from experienced apprenticeship ambassadors.

Organised by Apprenticeships Norfolk, the event at The Forum on Tuesday 16 June is for anyone who is looking for an apprenticeship or would like to know more about them.

Apprenticeships Norfolk provide free advice and guidance for apprenticeship seekers and step-by-step support for employers looking to offer apprenticeships.

Further details about the fair are available on the website page [here](#).

If anyone is looking for an apprenticeship or wanting to know more about apprenticeship opportunities in Norfolk, to the county council's Apprenticeships webpages [here](#).

Redundancy Support Service launches new online portal

Norfolk County Council's Redundancy Support Service (RSS) has recently launched a new online portal to help residents and businesses access support where there is a risk of redundancy.

The RSS is running as a pilot until September 2027 and is evaluated on an ongoing basis.

The pilot was originally initiated to support an estimated 15,000 redundancies across the county stemming from major cutbacks at Lotus Cars and the local NHS.

[The new portal](#) enables people to explore their options and contact the team for support at what can be a particularly stressful time. It also provides case studies.

The RSS team is also keen to hear from partner organisations that may be able to help support Norfolk residents and businesses.

If anyone is worried about redundancy, please do get in touch.

Drowning Prevention Week: Norfolk Water Safety Forum

Following recent water-related deaths across the country and in Norfolk, the Norfolk Water Safety Forum is encouraging communities to support Drowning Prevention Week.

Running from 13-20 June, the [Royal Life Saving Society campaign](#) helps children and young people learn how to stay safe around water.

Norfolk Water Safety Forum partners, including Norfolk Fire & Rescue Service, Norfolk County Council, Norfolk Police, the Broads Authority, the RNLI and HM Coastguard, will be sharing social media messages and promoting a free lesson pack for schools and youth groups.

Do check out the [link to the resources on the Norfolk County Council website](#).

National Updates

Potholes and road maintenance: new government reporting requirements

Highways Maintenance Transparency Reports were introduced by the Department for Transport (DfT) in 2025.

DfT has [announced new rules](#) requiring councils to show how they are fixing potholes, future-proofing roads and investing in longer-term preventative maintenance.

The new requirements shift reporting from describing activity to proving outcomes and value for money, with compliance now linked to funding. Reports must set out planned and delivered works, how highways funding is being used, and action to reduce repeat repairs. The new reports will be published in September 2026 and will inform eligibility for Government highways incentive funding and the next red, amber and green road maintenance ratings.

Norfolk was rated amber in 2025/26, alongside most local highway authorities. [Norfolk's highways maintenance transparency report 2025/26](#) highlights the scale of the county's network, including nearly 10,000km of roads, and its focus on preventative maintenance, early intervention and whole-life costing.

Do report potholes and road defects through the Norfolk County Council website, so they are logged, assessed and prioritised through the proper highways process. The reporting form can be found [here](#).

Flu programme 2026/27: eligible groups confirmed

The Government has published its [annual flu letter](#), setting out the 2026/27 flu immunisation programme and the groups eligible for vaccination.

This is relevant to local health protection, winter preparedness and support for vulnerable residents.

This year's programme will include rough sleepers and people using homeless hostels.

Community pharmacies will also continue to deliver a vaccination service for children aged two and three, helping improve access for families.

The NHS advises that flu vaccination helps protect people at higher risk of serious illness and can also reduce pressure on health and care services over the winter period.

A snapshot of entry level hiring in the UK

The Department for Science, Innovation and Technology has [produced a brief](#) published by LinkedIn and the AI & the Future of Work Unit, which analyses UK entry-level hiring trends using LinkedIn data.

The key findings are that entry-level hiring is weak but falling broadly in line with the wider labour market, although the overall picture masks significant variation. Of 38 tracked entry-level occupations, 30 are declining. Information-processing roles are falling fastest:

Accountant (-29%), Graphic Designer (-28%) and Software Engineer (-27%), while sales and customer-facing roles are growing.

The occupations declining most sharply are also those where AI has become most visibly capable, but they say further research is needed before conclusions can be drawn.

The brief also finds that a skills mismatch is making entry harder in declining occupations, with employers favouring experienced candidates who already have the operational skills most entry-level candidates lack.

Entry-level hiring shapes the long-run composition of the workforce and affects the supply of skilled workers for years to come.

This is relevant to Norfolk because weaker entry-level hiring could make it harder for young people, graduates and career changers to move into skilled work, affecting residents' employment prospects and the future workforce available to local employers. The findings underline the importance of local routes into employment, including apprenticeships, work experience and employer-led training, which support both individual opportunity and Norfolk's wider economic growth. They also reinforce the county council's role in working with schools, colleges, universities, employers, partners and training providers to strengthen the local skills system and help meet local labour market needs.

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June County Councillors Report

From Norfolk County Council

'Illegal Cigarettes Seized

Following inspections carried out because of intelligence received by Norfolk Trading Standards, illicit cigarettes, illegal vapes and hand-rolling tobacco has been seized from businesses in Great Yarmouth and Norwich.

The inspections were carried out with Norfolk Constabulary as part of Norfolk Trading Standards' ongoing work to tackle the sale of illegal tobacco products and protect the public. This is a useful reminder of the role of Trading Standards, which helps ensure businesses trade fairly and legally, investigates scams and rogue traders, and works to keep consumers safe.

Further information about Trading Standards, including advice and support for businesses and consumers, is available on the county council webpages [here](#).

Residents are urged to report concerns about the illegal sale of vapes, cigarettes or tobacco to Citizens Advice on 0808 223 1133.

Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service – staying safe with lithium batteries

Recent incidents in Norfolk have highlighted the risks associated with lithium batteries. This reflects a wider national increase in lithium battery fires, linked to the growing use of items such as e-bikes and e-scooters.

Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service is working with Norfolk Trading Standards to help prevent these incidents by promoting safety advice on buying batteries and devices safely, charging them correctly, using e-bikes and e-scooters safely, and disposing of lithium-ion batteries appropriately.

Further information is available on the county council webpages [here](#).

Skills England: Annual Skills Report

Skills England, the Government's national agency for skills, has published its first [Annual Skills Report](#). It sets out current and future skills needs across ten priority sectors linked to economic growth.

The report points to growing demand in sectors including clean energy, construction and digital, and highlights the importance of colleges, universities, apprenticeships and flexible training routes in helping people gain the skills employers need.

It also calls for a stronger skills system that supports the Industrial Strategy, responds more effectively to employers' needs, including SMEs, and helps more people into good jobs.

The main challenges identified are:

- tackling skills shortages and supporting workforce upskilling and reskilling
- encouraging greater employer investment in training and apprenticeships
- responding to the rapid adoption of AI
- improving employability pathways for young people
- building more responsive, place-based skills systems that reflect local economic need

The report stresses that addressing these issues will require strong partnership working between employers, education providers, local leaders and government.

Support for care leavers

The Government is expanding a programme to help children in care establish meaningful relationships for when they reach adulthood. It aims to improve outcomes for the 80,000 children in care across England, as many face significant challenges upon leaving the system. Following a pilot of 25 local areas given funding to employ coordinators, £8.4 million of funding from the Department for Education is being made available over the next three years, to ensure all children in care and leaving care are offered this support. Norfolk County Council already has a [local offer of support](#) that sets out the support available in Norfolk to care leavers.'

Help with living costs

The Crisis Resilience Service offers financial support in the short term and ways to improve your financial resilience. Please reach out and if you have any difficulty with an application, get in touch. The Social Workers' drop ins at Heritage House, Wells, on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays in the month, or at the Glaven Centre, Blakeney, on the first Friday and 3rd Monday, can help fill in forms. No appointment needed.

Find out more at

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/article/41957/What-the-Crisis-and-Resilience-Service-is>

Food support can be accessed

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/accessingfood>

Help with utility bills can be found at

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/article/41958/Help-and-advice-with-utility-bills>

If you're on benefits you can get reduced broadband packages. I have a detailed information sheet on this so please do get in touch if you'd like to find out more.

If anyone in your household has a medical condition which means you use more water than usual, Anglian Water have a scheme (WaterSure) which caps your water bill. You do need a water meter and be on certain income related benefits.

<https://www.anglianwater.co.uk/services/extra-support/tariff-options/watersure/apply-for-watersure>

Dentistry

Applications are now open for the first 25 student places at the new dental school at the University of East Anglia. This first cohort are expected to start training Sept 2027. The undergraduate training program will be at a new £3million extension to the Edith Cavell Building. This is the first step in relieving the dental desert in Norfolk.

Every NHS dental practice offers urgent dental appointments - in North Norfolk this equates to approximately 170 appointments a month. These are accessed by calling 111. Please let me know if you have difficulty getting an appointment and I will raise this with the Integrated Care Board.

Children's Services

Children's services at NCC have been rated by Ofsted as outstanding across the board: overall effectiveness, the impact of leaders on social work practice with children and families, the experiences and progress of children who need help and protection, the

experience and progress of children in care, and the experience and progress of care leavers. There was one area which was identified as needing additional improvement: the recognition and consideration of young carers who receive statutory services.

Education

25 new places for children with autism are being provided at Alderman Peel High School in Wells to help the children integrate into mainstream education with the right specialist help in place. These should be completed by October 2026.

Summer reading challenge

The theme for this year's Summer Reading Challenge is Read to the Beat. Children age 4-11 can sign up at their local library, choose their own books, set their own goals and collect reward stickers for every goal reached. Children who complete their goals by the end of the challenge receive a certificate and a medal!

The books can be read online or can be collected from the library. Find out more here [Summer Reading Challenge 2026 - Norfolk County Council](#)

Tech skills

If you need to borrow a laptop, smartphone or tablet and learn how to use them; find out how to get free mobile data or a more affordable broadband tariff; if you're not sure you're getting the best out of your mobile phone; or are worried about online scams, do contact the Tech Skills for Life team at Norfolk County Council on 01485536420 or 01493448246. Find out more at [Tech Skills for Life - Norfolk County Council](#)

Road safety and maintenance

The most effective way to report a Highways defects is by submitting it via Norfolk County Council's official '[Report a highways problem](#)' form on the website. Alternatively, contact the Customer Service Centre by emailing highways@norfolk.gov.uk or calling 0344 800 8020. This allows the issue to be logged and acted on quickly.

If a defect is a pothole which wasn't fixed before a road was redressed, still report it via the defects portal, but highlight 'to the attention of a highways engineer' so it gets audited.

Similarly, if the problem is edge deterioration, please report it via the portal but highlight 'to the attention of highways rangers'.

There is still some money available in the Bus Stop Improvement Programme. This covers new bus stops, bus shelters and possibly trods. Contact me for more details.

Waste Recycling

The Wells Recycling Centre has shown a significant increase in usage since the booking system was introduced and there are no plans to close it.

My understanding is that recycling centres can accept large household appliances such as washing machines, tumble driers, dishwashers and cookers at recycling centres, but still not fridge freezers and small electricals including batteries and light bulbs. This is because NCC has to apply for a new recycling facility as the previous one was destroyed by fire.

Business support

The New Anglia Growth Hub provides support to grow your business, make it more sustainable and resilient. There are events and funding opportunities, find out more at <https://www.newangliagrowthhub.co.uk>

Go Digital Funding Programme

This provides free digital business support to small and medium sized businesses. Parish Councils are eligible if they run a community hub/facility/village hall which creates an income and which provides a benefit to the community. Successful applicants receive free digital advice on websites, social media, digital tools to support their business, and can request a £500 grant to help implement a digital action plan. More detail on this at [Go Digital Application Form - New Anglia Growth Hub](#)

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CLERK/RFO BRIEFING REPORT – Full Council – 07/07/2026

BLAKENEY PARISH COUNCIL

Item no. 7.1. – North Norfolk Local Plan Review & Call for Sites (04)

Report to Full Council: Call for Sites – Potential Car Park Land

Under the North Norfolk Local Plan Review & Call for Sites (04), the Parish Council is able to submit land for consideration for a range of uses, including potential car park sites. The Council may therefore wish to give some thought to whether any land within the parish should be identified for longer-term community use.

One example could be the **Overflow Car Park, (Former School Field) Langham Road**, which may merit consideration in terms of future need, accessibility, and longer-term use for the village.

This would not commit the Council to any course of action, but it may be prudent to consider whether land of this type should be put forward as part of the Call for Sites exercise, in case it may be of value to the parish in future. Any land submitted for consideration, does not have to belong to the person submitting the request.

Recommendation to Full Council

That the Parish Council considers the **Former School Field, owned by Norfolk County Council**, for submission to the **North Norfolk Local Plan Review & Call for Sites (04)** as a potential **longer-term overflow car park site** for Blakeney, and agrees to proceed with the submission.

Item no. 8.2. – Clerk/RFO Report

- **CiLCA** (Certificate in Local Council Administration – Level 3 NQF)

Unit 1 (consisting of four Learning Outcome Modules) = Passed

Unit 2 (consisting of nine Learning Outcome Modules) = Passed

Unit 4 (consisting of three Learning Outcome Modules) = Passed

&

Unit 5 (consisting of seven Learning Outcomes Modules) has been submitted.

Unit 3 (consisting of a further seven Learning Outcome Modules) is progressing well.

- **Parish Room (former Scout Hut) – 1 year licence signed off, occupier in.**

Tracey Bayfield

Clerk/RFO
(01/07/2026)

Dear Consultee,

Action may be required - please read the important information below regarding the review of the North Norfolk Local Plan and launch of a ‘Call for Sites’ consultation.

We are writing to you because we hold your contact information, as you or your organisation have previously been identified as a General or Statutory Consultee in relation to preparing the Local Plan for North Norfolk, have voluntarily signed up to our Local Plan Consultation Database to be kept informed, or have previously submitted representations to the Local Plan process.

Local Plan Review

The North Norfolk Local Plan 2024-2040 was adopted in December 2025. However, national planning policy and legislation have changed since then, including updated Government guidance on housing need. This means the Council is required to begin work on a new Local Plan to make sure that planning policies remain up to date and effective, and that growth needs are planned for.

The Council is required to give at least four months’ notice of its intention to commence Local Plan preparation under the new plan-making system, and to publish a timetable setting out the key dates for preparing the Local Plan or any Supplementary Plans. This is currently scheduled to take place by or before 30 June 2026. Further information will be provided on our [Local Plan review](#) web page when available.

Processing your data

Under the previous Local Plan process, the Council collected and used your contact data to keep you informed of key stages and consultation opportunities. As we begin preparation of a new Local Plan, we will continue to use your data for this purpose. We are also taking this opportunity to update you on how your data will be used and to provide you with an opportunity to review your preferences.

The processing of personal data is necessary for preparing a Local Plan, a statutory function undertaken by the Council under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and associated regulations. This processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest, rather than based on consent. In some cases, the Council is required to consult certain bodies as part of the Local Plan process, including statutory consultees and general consultation bodies (such as community groups, business interests, and groups representing protected characteristics).

We will only use your contact details to notify you of Local Plan consultations and opportunities to make representations. We do not use this database for marketing purposes.

We may share your personal data, where necessary, with parties involved in the preparation and examination of the Local Plan. This may include the Planning Inspectorate, an independent Programme Officer appointed to support the Local Plan at examination, and other organisations or service providers acting on behalf of the Council where it is appropriate to do so and necessary safeguards are in place.

As we rely on a public task as our lawful basis, you also have the right to object to the processing of your personal data. Requests may be sent to data.protection@north-norfolk.gov.uk

Where you do so, we will consider your request in line with data protection legislation. As part of preparing a Local Plan under current planning legislation, the Council is required to engage with certain consultation bodies and the wider community at key stages. Where you have been identified as a relevant consultation body, we may need to continue to use your contact details to notify you of these consultation stages. In all cases, we will ensure that any continued use of your data is necessary, proportionate, and limited to fulfilling these statutory consultation requirements.

- If you do not wish to be contacted in future, please email your request to planning.policy@north-norfolk.gov.uk
- If you wish to amend your contact information, please email your request to planning.policy@north-norfolk.gov.uk

We will consider any request in line with data protection legislation and the Council's statutory duties.

Please respond by no later than **Monday 29 June 2026**. If we don't hear from you, we will continue to process your data for the purpose of preparing a new Local Plan in line with our [privacy notice](#).

Call for Sites

As an early stage in preparing the new Local Plan, the Council has today launched a 'Call for Sites'. This invites landowners, developers, agents, organisations, and individuals to submit land to be considered for future development.

Sites can be proposed for a range of uses, including housing, employment, infrastructure, local green space, community and other uses. It is important to emphasise that submitting a site does not mean it will be allocated for development. All submitted sites will be assessed alongside other evidence and considered as part of a wider process to determine the most appropriate locations for future growth through the Local Plan.

The Call for Sites runs from **Monday 1 June to Monday 13 July 2026**. Submissions will only be accepted where they have capacity to accommodate at least 5 dwellings or represent a site area of 0.25 hectares or more. Each site must be submitted individually (multiple parcels cannot be submitted together).

Further information on the Call for Sites including how to respond, is available at: www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/callforsites

Your sincerely

Chris Brown

Project Management Support Officer (Planning Policy)

Agenda Report Template: Quotations for Council Consideration

Council: Blakeney Parish Council

Item: Christmas Tree/Lights/Decoration on green near (south side) Langham Road crossroads junction

Meeting: Full Council – 07/07/2026

Author: Clerk / RFO

Purpose

To present members with a clear comparison of quotations received and to enable a decision on the preferred option. Some offer electricity commando unit and Christmas tree, others, just one or the other. Council to decide if it would prefer a real tree or an artificial tree/item.

Background

The Council obtained the following quotations for the proposed works / goods / services. The information below is presented for public agenda papers and contains only the details needed for decision-making.

Quotation Summary

Supplier	Scope	Price (Net)	VAT	Notes
Cozens	Supply & install/remove 1 x 22ft real Xmas tree for 2026	£2,100.00	£420.00	Quote: QU-1232
	And Xmas tree power supply & manhole sleeve installation on green near siting of tree for 2026	£2,070.00	£414.00	Quote: QU-1234 <i>Both elements are needed in the first year</i>
	Total £4,170.00			

Westcotec	Supply & install a commando socket for a power supply for a Christmas Tree, to be fitted on the outside of the councils brick store building	£578.00	£115.60	Quote: RPQ 290526 Tree and lights to then be sourced separately
MK Illumination	(Needs elec supply)	£	£	Details awaited
Blachere Illumination	(Needs elec supply)	£	£	Details awaited

Funding

An initial budget of £2,000 has been allocated for the 2026 Christmas project. Depending on the option the Parish Council chooses to progress, a grant application could be made to help meet any additional costs. If the grant application is unsuccessful, the remaining balance could be met from reserves, ensuring the project can still proceed without difficulty.

Recommendation

The clerk recommends that Members decide whether they wish to proceed with a real or artificial tree and where they would like the commando electricity unit to be located. This will then aid their decision on the supplier and specification of the items, taking into account value for money, scope, and delivery timescale.

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