CHURCHILL AND BLAKEDOWN PARISH COUNCIL

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To: Members of Churchill and Blakedown Parish Council

You are duly summoned to attend the Meeting of Churchill and Blakedown Parish Council to be held **on Tuesday 9th December 2025** at Blakedown Sports Pavilion commencing at 7.00p.m. for the purpose of transacting the following business:

AGENDA

- 1. Chair's Opening Remarks.
- **2. Apologies:** To receive apologies and to approve reasons for absence.

3. Declarations of Interest:

- a) Register of interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests
- b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in items on the agenda and their nature
- c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature
- d) Written requests for the council to grant a dispensation (S33 on the Localism Act 2011) are to be with the clerk at least one clear day prior to a meeting.

Councillors who have declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or an Other Disclosable Interest which falls within the terms of Appendix B 9(b) of the code of conduct, must leave the room for the relevant items. Failure to register or declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest may result in the commission of a criminal offence.

4. Community Policing:

- a) To receive report from the Beat Officer/CSO.
- b) To agree the parish policing priorities for January to March 2026.

The meeting will now be adjourned for Public Participation.

The total time allowed for public participation is 15 minutes unless directed by the Chair. Residents are invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on this agenda or raise issues for future consideration at the discretion of the Chair. A member of the public may not speak for more than 3 minutes.

Members of the public may not take part in the Parish Council meeting itself.

This period is not part of the formal meeting; brief notes will be appended on the minutes as an aide memoire.

The meeting will be reconvened to conduct the items of business listed below: -

- **5. Dispensations:** To consider any requests to grant a dispensation for Agenda items: None.
- **6. Minutes:** To consider approval of the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 11th November 2025.
- **7. District and County Matters:** To receive reports from County & District Council representatives.
- **8. Traffic issues:** Update on Highways developments, and on speed control measures: None.

9. Items for Consideration:

- a) To agree to respond to the WFDC Biodiversity Net Gain Supplementary Document scoping exercise as shared by email on 18/11/25, by closing date, 5pm on 16th December 2025.
- b) To ratify comments made to WCC to support the proposed extension to 30mph speed limit Traffic Regulation order at Hurcott Village (T.2025.1012).
- c) To agree to make a grant of £650 to the Friends of Blakedown Station (FOBS).
- d) To adopt a defibrillator at Mill Close.

- e) To approve the creation of a new 3-year parish grass cutting contract from 1st April 2026 to include car park & village green maintenance, under Highways Act 1980 and delegated powers from WCC, and associated documents and to authorise the Proper Officer to go out to tender according to financial regulation 5.6.
- f) To approve the creation of a new 3-year parish street bin emptying contract from 1st April 2026 under Localism Act 2011 and local agreement with WFDC, and associated documents and to authorise the Proper Officer to go out for a minimum of 3 quotes according to financial regulation 5.8.
- g) To discuss and decide on introducing a scheme to pay councillor allowances as introduced under the Local Authorities Members Allowances Regulations 2003 for elected members and agree action.
- h) To update the Scheme of Delegation to authorise the clerk to submit comments on planning applications in the absence of a full council meeting.

10. Items for Information:

- a) Updates from Cllr Adams on main points taken from CALC AGM held on the 13/11/25 and Wyre Forest Area meeting held on 02/12/25.
- 11. Planning and Development Control:
 - a) Planning Applications Received: None.
 - b) Additional Planning Applications or other Planning Matters:
 - i) Neighbourhood Plan Review Update
 - c) Planning Notifications: None.
- 12. Financial Report and Payment of Accounts:
 - a) To note the bank balances as at 3rd December, 2025:

£26,674.22 - Unity Trust Treasurers Account (PC Current Account) £37,692.16 - Lloyds Business Instant Access Account (PC Reserves)

£29.75 - Lloyds Community Account

£64,396.13 is the TOTAL at 3rd December 2025

- b) To approve and sign the Receipts & Payment Schedule for December 2025
- c) To approve and sign the bank reconciliation with supporting bank statements to 3rd December 2025.
- **13. Clerk's Report:** Clerks report on ongoing items (provided by email).
- **14. Councillor's Reports and items for future agendas:** Councillors may use this opportunity to report matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas.
- **15. Date of Next Meeting:** Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 13th January 2026 commencing at 7.00 p.m.

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Clerk to Churchill and Blakedown Parish Council 3rd December, 2025

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 10th February, 2026 – Full Council Meeting – 7.00pm – Blakedown Sports Pavilion Tuesday 10th March, 2026 – Full Council Meeting – 7.00pm – Blakedown Sports Pavilion Tuesday 14th April, 2026 – Full Council Meeting – 7.00pm – Blakedown Sports Pavilion