

BLACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL

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To: The Chairman and Members of Blackwell Parish Council

Dear Councillor

NOTICE OF THE MEETING OF BLACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL

You are summoned to attend the meeting of Blackwell Parish Council to be held on Monday 5th October 2026, 7pm at Westhouses Primary School

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Kate Poynter'.

Kate Poynter - Clerk

AGENDA

1. To receive apologies for absence

2. Declaration of Members Interests

To enable members to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interests they have in subsequent Agenda items, in accordance with the Parish Council Code of Conduct. Interests that become apparent at a later stage in the proceedings may be declared at that time.

3. Public Speaking (twenty minutes)

- A period of not more than twenty minutes will be made available for Members of the Public and Members of the Council to comment on any relevant matter. No more than three minutes per person.*
- If the Police Liaison Officer, County Councillor David Harvey and District Councillors Moesby and Renshaw are in attendance, members will be given the opportunity to raise any relevant matter.*
- Crime Figures

4. Blackwell Primary School

The Headteacher would like to talk about what is happening at the school.

5. To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7th September 2026.

6. Chairman's Announcements

An opportunity for the Chairman to raise any current issues within the Parish.

7. Report from the Clerk

8. To receive and consider any updates on the formation of the Derbyshire North Unitary Council

9. Finance and Governance Matters and Reports

- To consider a list of Accounts for Payment and general financial reports
- To receive current bank balances
- To consider any updates on the external audit
- To consider booking the internal audit for 2026/27
- To consider Rialtas End of Year
- To consider setting the November budget meeting and arranging a Finance & HR Committee Meeting to take place just before.
- To ratify the council insurance renewal due on 1st October 2026
- To consider a review of charges for hire
- To consider funding updates
- To consider any other financial and governance updates

- 10. Parish Buildings (LG(MP)A1976 s19 / LGA1894 s8 (1)(i))**
- a. To consider any updates on maintenance and repairs to the parish buildings
 - b. To consider the quotes from electricians and plumbers for repairs and maintenance
 - c. To consider Scanderlands boiler
 - d. To consider Lottery bid updates – including re-arranging the Facilities Committee meeting for the end of October.
 - e. To consider updates the Woburn Close Development and Blackwell Community Centre – including information on rendering.
 - f. To consider an overnight request at one of the community centres.
 - g. To consider any updates on the Corner Club in Westhouses
 - h. To consider any other building related updates – including pat testing, a fridge freezer for Blackwell Community Centre bar, and a deep clean for the kitchens and toilets
- 11. Parks, Floral, Events and Other Outdoor Areas (LG(MP)A1976 s19(3))**
- a. To consider recommendations from the PFE Committee
 - b. To consider further updates on the renewal of the lease for Hilcote Recreation Ground
 - c. To consider updates on the Christmas Tree for Newton
 - d. To consider the date for the Annual Parish Meeting
 - e. To consider an update on hedges
 - f. To consider any other updates concerning outdoor areas and events – Bamford Street opening and closing and park inspections w/c 26th October
 - g. To consider updates on Pylon Project
 - h. To receive a report from Friends of Doe Hill Park
- 12. Charities**
To consider any urgent charity updates
- 13. To consider any updates affecting highways, roads and buses**
- a. To consider updates on the request regarding a seat in the bus stop at the top of New Street in Newton.
 - b. To consider any other updates on the issues affecting highways, roads and buses
- 14. To Consider Planning Reports Received**
- 15. Communications (Newsletter - LGA1972 s142 (1A), Website – LGA 1972 s142)**
- a. To consider any updates on the new website and e-mail addresses
 - b. To consider any newsletter updates
- 16. Training**
- a. To consider updates on training
- 17. Staffing**
- a. *To resolve to exclude the Public and Press in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, S1 due to the confidential nature of these items.*
 - b. To consider updates and recommendations from the Finance & HR Committee
 - c. To consider the appointment of the Assistant to the Clerk
 - d. To consider further actions required regarding recruitment
 - e. Upcoming staff leave
 - f. To consider any other staffing items.
- 18. Date and Time of Next Meeting**
Monday 2nd November 2026, 7pm at Hilcote Community Centre