

BUCKLEBURY PARISH COUNCIL
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To: All members of Bucklebury Parish Council

You are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Meeting of Bucklebury Parish Council. If you are unable to attend, please notify the clerk.

Notice of Meeting

Date: Monday 12th May 2025

Time: **7.45pm**

Location: **The Oak Room**, Bucklebury Memorial Hall, Broad Lane, Upper Bucklebury.

Helen Pratt

Helen Pratt – Clerk to Bucklebury Parish.

9th April 2025

AGENDA

1. To elect the Chairman of the Council and to receive the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
2. To elect the Vice Chairman.
3. Apologies for absence. 3.1 To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.
4. Declarations of interest. 4.1 To receive updates to the Registers of interests. 4.2 To receive any declarations of interests in agenda items.
5. Public session. 5.1 To receive any other comments from the public or police (if present).
6. Minutes of the last Parish Council Meetings. 6.1 To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of BPC held on Monday 14 th April 2025.
7. Appointment to Committees: 7.1 Bucklebury Planning Committee 7.2 Bucklebury Burial Board 7.3 Bucklebury Meadows and Hockett Field 7.4 Sustainable Bucklebury 7.5 The Oaks
8. Appointment to External Bodies: 8.1 Bucklebury Memorial Hall 8.2 Commons Interest Group 8.3 Victory Room Committee 8.4 Recreation Ground Committee 8.5 West Berkshire Heritage Forum

8.6 Chapel Row Patient Participation Group

9. Positions of Responsibility:

- 9.1 Fred Dawson Playarea and BMX track
- 9.2 Grit bins
- 9.3 Coffee mornings/Wellbeing
- 9.4 Public Rights of Way
- 9.5 Opposition to NE Thatcham

10. To review the insurance arrangements.

11. To confirm the meeting dates and locations for the coming year.

12. Chair's report.

- 12.1 To receive an update from the Chair.

13. Clerk's report.

- 13.1 To receive an update on defibrillator training.
- 13.2 To receive an update on the internal audit for FY24/25.
- 13.3 To make necessary arrangements for the Annual Parish Assembly – Friday 23rd May.

14. Planning.

- 14.1 To consider the following planning applications:
 - 14.1.1 25/00824/HOUSE & 25/00826/LBC – Picton Farm, The Slade.
The repair and extension of the existing Farmhouse following demolition of modern side and rear extensions. The construction of an upgraded access track and frontage parking area. The installation of drainage, soakaways and treatment plant located to the rear of the Farmhouse.
 - 14.1.2 25/00900/FUL – Beenham Hatch, The Avenue.
Erection of a barn to house sheep and store hay.
- 14.2 To receive an update on planning decisions made by WBC.
- 14.3 To review any new adjacent parish applications.
- 14.4 To receive an update on enforcement issues.

15. District Council Business.

- 15.1 To receive the District Councillor's report.

16. Finances.

- 16.1 To approve a bank reconciliation to 31st March 2025.
- 16.2 To review expenditure against budget in FY24/25.
- 16.3 To review cheques for payment.
- 16.4 To review the current balance and the financial position.
- 16.5 To consider contributing to the work at the Memorial Hall (from ring fenced sums).

17. Fred Dawson Playpark and the BMX Track.

- 17.1 To receive an update on RoSPA inspections.
- 17.2 To receive an update on funding for the BMX track.

18. Meadows.

- 18.1 To receive a report on progress with fencing quotes.
- 18.2 To receive an update on the TPO application to reduce an ash tree to a monolith.
- 18.3 To agree a date for a Meadows meeting.

<p>19. Highways.</p> <p>19.1 To receive an update on the use of SID in the parish.</p> <p>19.2 To receive an update on use of Thames Valley Police Community Speed Watch in the parish.</p>
<p>20. Environment/Community.</p> <p>20.1 To receive an report from the VE-Day 80 event (GW).</p> <p>20.2 To receive an update from the Bucklebury sustainability project (GL).</p> <p>20.3 To receive an update on works on the Common.</p> <p>20.4 To receive an update on the possible permitted footpath from Bucklebury Village to Walnut Tree Cottages.</p> <p>20.5 To receive update on the Chapel Row phone box (GP/JA).</p>
<p>21. Correspondence.</p> <p>21.1</p>
<p>22. To consider reports from any meetings.</p> <p>22.1 Any other meetings.</p>
<p>23. Round table Comments.</p>

Annual Parish Assembly: Friday 23rd May at 7.45pm in the Memorial Hall, Upper Bucklebury.

Next Planning meeting: Tuesday 27th May 2025 at 7.45pm (Committee Room, The Victory Room, Bucklebury).

Next BPC meeting: Monday 9th June 2025 at 7.45pm (Oak Room, Bucklebury Memorial Hall).