



AGENDA

19th March 2026

A Meeting of Blunham Parish Council will take place on Thursday 26/03/26 at 7pm at the Village Hall. All Councillors are hereby summoned to attend. Times are approximate and members of the public are welcome to attend. Clerk to the Council – Jo Graves, Tel: 07563 527415 clerk@blunham-pc.gov.uk

Jo Graves

	Item	Requirement	Time
01:03/26	Apologies for Absence	To note apologies.	7.00pm
02:03/26	Declarations of any new Pecuniary Interests	Any new Pecuniary Interests should be declared. They must then be added to the register within 28 days. Existing pecuniary interests already registered do not need to be declared. Members cannot take part in any discussions or vote on matters in which they have a pecuniary interest.	7.00pm
03:03/26	Minutes of previous meetings & review of matters arising from that meeting & previous agreed actions.	To confirm and adopt the Minutes of the meeting of Blunham Parish Council held on Thursday 26 th January 2026. Matters arising from the minutes (for information only)	7.05pm
04:03/26	Public Session	An opportunity for the public to ask the Council questions & make observations about agenda items. There is 15 mins set aside for this agenda item. All questions & comments should be directed to the Chairman. Members of the public are respectfully reminded that this is the only part of the meeting that they can participate in.	7.10pm
05:03/26	Unitary Councillors Report		7.25pm
06:03/26	Planning	Planning applications to be considered, plus any other planning matters that need Full Council consideration: a) CB/25/03051/FULL – Development of the site for industrial and logistics uses (Use Classes B2 and/or B8 and/or E(g)(iii) including ancillary offices), associated vehicle parking and servicing, landscaping and associated infrastructure – Land part of former Nursery, Great North Road, Sandy SG19 2AF Link to CB/25/03051/FULL b) CB/26/00488/FULL – Part single and two storey rear extension with rooflights and new side entrance door – 7 Walnut Close, Blunham, MK44 3NB Link to CB/26/00488/FULL c) CB/26/00478/FULL – New grasscrete access road – Land East of Wellsfield, Blunham Link to CB/26/00478/FULL Planning Decisions d) CB/25/03730/FULL – Erection of one detached self-build dwelling with rooflights following the demolition of the garage and creation of a new crossover – 26 Station Road, Blunham, MK44 3NZ – Refused. e) CB/25/03286/FULL – Rebuild of 8m of church wall using existing materials – Church of St Edmunds or St James, Park Lane, Blunham - Granted	7.30pm
07:03/26	Highways	See information sheet. To receive Highways Committee report & any other Highways matters that need Full Council consideration.	7.35pm
08:03/26	Maintenance	See information sheet. To receive Maintenance Committee report & any maintenance matters that need Full Council consideration including a) Update on Churchyard boundary wall repairs. b) To consider quotations for replacement windows and doors for the Village Hall to be covered by S106 funding.	7.40pm

		c) To consider revised prices as per the grass cutting and maintenance contract with Mark Zwetsloot. d) Update on damaged bus stop next to War Memorial, with discussion regarding next steps.	
09:03/26	Communications	See information sheet. To receive Communications Committee report & any other communications matters that need Full Council consideration. a) To note the increase in cost of Blunham Matters distribution, which has increased by £70.00 per issue from March. b) To note and consider the information from Eyelid Productions regarding Assertion 10 and other requirements.	7.50pm
10:03/26	Community Safety	See information sheet. To receive Community Safety Reps report & any other community safety matters that need Full Council consideration.	7.55pm
11:03/26	BSSC/Play Area Update	See information sheet. To receive BSSC/Play Area report and any matters that need Full Council consideration. a) To receive update on grant application for playground project. b) To receive quarterly playground inspection report from CPM. c) Playsafety Ltd have confirmed that the annual ROSPA inspection will take place in May. d) To consider quotations to replace the safety surface under the zipwire (S106 funding).	8.00pm
12:03/26	Neighbourhood Plan	See information sheet. To receive report and any matters that require Full Council attention. a) To receive Minutes of recent Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meeting.	8.15pm
13:03/26	Policy Documents	a) To review and approve the Equality Policy. b) To review and approve the Model Publication Scheme. c) To review and approve the Privacy Policy. d) To review and approve the Privacy Policy (Internal). e) To review and approve the Training and Development Policy. f) To review and approve the Health and Safety Policy. g) To review and approve the Disciplinary Policy. h) To review and approve the Grievance Policy.	
14:03/26	Reports from Representatives	See information sheet. - To receive any reports from Parish Councillors who represent the Parish Council on other committees. - To receive reports from Councillors who have attended meetings on behalf of the Parish Council.	8.20pm
15:03/26	Finance Statement	See information sheet. a) To approve payments due & receive financial statement of accounts. b) To receive and approve asset register for year ending 31/03/25. c) To note that the interest rate on the Hampshire Trust account is reducing from 3.95% to 3.25% from 26 th June 2026. d) To consider quotations for purchasing a laptop for the Clerk and IT support for the Clerk and Councillors. e) To consider the quotation for the rebuild valuation of cemetery chapel for insurance purposes.	8.20pm
16:03/26	Community Fund Application	See information sheet a) To consider Community Fund application from Sandy Fire Cadets.	
17:03/26	Correspondence	See information sheet a) To consider the email from a resident regarding the community noticeboards. b) To nominate a Councillor to complete quarterly checks on the throwline at the Weir as requested by Bedfordshire Fire and Rescue Service.	8.40pm
18:03/26	Next Meeting Date	To agree next meeting (Annual Parish Council Meeting) date Thursday 28th May 2026. The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Thursday 30th April 2026.	8.50pm

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