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Dear Resident

You are invited to attend a meeting of Ackworth Parish Council which will be held at the Parish Council Community Centre, Bell Lane, Ackworth, on **MONDAY 9th MARCH 2026, COMMENCING AT 7.15PM.**

Yours faithfully

Jemma Nolan
Clerk

*There will be a 15-minute public session prior to the meeting and this will commence at 7.15pm
(Members of the public are reminded to adhere to the rules set by the council for this session)*

Reminder by the Chair of the Council's expectations for the audio or visual recording of this meeting. The Parish Council meeting may be recorded under the Openness of Local Government Regulations 2014. Devices are to be placed on the table provided throughout the meeting.

AGENDA

168 Apologies

- 168.1: To receive apologies for absence given in advance of the meeting.
- 168.2: To consider the approval of reasons given for absence.

169 Declarations of Interests and Dispensations

- 169.1: To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the Council's Code of conduct or a member's Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests on items on the agenda.
- 169.2: To receive, consider and decide upon any written applications for dispensation for disclosable pecuniary interest.
- 169.3: To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate.

170 To receive available reports from the following:

- 170.1: WMDC District Councillors.
- 170.2: APC Council Representatives on outside bodies.

171 To consider for approval of the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 9th February 2026, as a true and correct record.

172 To receive applications for the Exclusive Rights of Burial.

173 Financial Matters

173.1: To receive and consider for approval the accounts including bank statements to the end of February 2026.

173.2: To receive and consider for approval payments to be made and Petty Cash account to 9th March 2026.

174 Committee Meeting Minutes

174.1 To receive the minutes of the Village Amenities Committee meeting held on 23rd February 2026 and approve the recommendations within them.

174.2 To receive the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held on 23rd February 2026 and approve the recommendations within them.

174.3 To receive the minutes of the Environment, Road Safety & Planning Committee meeting held on 23rd February 2026 and approve the recommendations within them.

174.4 To receive the minutes of the extra ordinary Village Amenities Committee meeting held on 3rd March 2026 and approve the recommendations within them.

175 To consider a response to the planning authority on the following planning applications.

175.1: 25/02084/FUL - Ashs Balti Wakefield Road Ackworth Pontefract WF7 7AZ - Installation of new shopfront in existing modifeid opening including external roller shutter (retrospective) - 27/02/2026

175.2: 26/00192/FUL - 4 Woodland Grove Ackworth Pontefract WF7 7EP - Two storey rear extension with juliet balcony - 12/03/2026

175.3: 26/00183/FUL - Mill Dam Junior And Infant School Millgate Ackworth Pontefract WF7 7PH - Installation of Four Ground Mounted Air Source Heat Pumps and 10 Panel Roof Mounted Solar PV Array – Deadline Date 09/03/2026

175.4: 26/00206/FUL - Boot And Shoe Wakefield Road Ackworth Pontefract WF7 7DF - Erection of conservatory and boiler room – Deadline Date 11/03/2026

175.5: 25/00591/NMC - 96 Station Road Ackworth Pontefract WF7 7HL - Non-material change to approved application ref: 25/00591/FUL dated 19/05/2025 (Proposed two-storey extension to the side and single storey extension to the rear of the property. Hip to gable conversion to the existing dwelling under permitted development – No Deadline Date

175.6: 26/00169/TPO - The Gate House, Ackworth Park Farm, Pontefract Road - Tree A - Crown Reduce by 2.5 metres in height and draw back from the property to suitable growth points; Crown Lift to 5 metres above ground level; Removal of deadwood; Removal of limbs overhanging property (this will be reached with the crown reduction); Clear any BT cables that could cause further problems. Tree B - Crown Reduce by 2 metres to gain full clearance from the property; Crown Lift to 4 metres above ground level by removing 1 large limb growing towards the road at on the east side of the tree; Removal of deadwood; Removal of lower limbs overhanging property (this will be reached with the overall crown reduction). – Deadline Date 23/03/2026

176 To complete the annual review of the insurance policy renewal and fidelity cover for 26/27, noting any amendments required and consider for approval.

177 To complete the annual review of the Parish Council Risk Management Assessment and consider for approval.

178 To note that the annual review of the Parish Council Asset Register will be included on the agenda of the May Annual Council meeting.

179 To receive a copy of AGAR assertion 10, points 1.47 to 1.54 from the practitioners guide 2025 for consideration of compliance and decide a course of action.

180 To receive further information from Wakefield District Council relating to the setting up and responsibilities of implementing a Neighbourhood Plan for Ackworth and decide a course of action.

181 To receive correspondence from a resident regarding manor farm (land sale) and decide a course of action.

182 To receive a report from a meeting held between Ackworth Parish Council representatives and Co-operative Group held on Friday 27th February 2026.

183 Motions requested by Councillor(s)

183.1 To receive a proposal from Cllr Roberts that Ackworth Parish Council show and give full support to the Low Ackworth Community Association, to a community building situated in Low Ackworth on the former site and produce a sub-lease to this effect.

183.2 To receive a proposal from Cllr S Sherratt that Ackworth Parish Council consider whether Low Ackworth Community Association are eligible to manage and run a viable Community Centre in Low Ackworth and that we conduct a full risk assessment before committing any time or finance to a sublease of Townend Playing Fields.

183.3 To receive a proposal from Cllr S Sherratt that Ackworth Parish Council explore the feasibility of setting up community Padel courts with a community café on Parish Council owned land at either Brackenhill or Quarries, in order to provide a community hub for all ages that facilitates health and wellbeing and also raises funds for further benefit for the residents of the village.

183.4 To receive a proposal from Cllr A Sherratt that that an agenda item be included for all full parish council meetings which provides an update on previously agreed, and outstanding, actions and to decide a course of further action as required.

184 TO CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL THAT THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC BE EXCLUDED FROM THE REMAINDER OF THE MEETING ON THE GROUNDS THAT PUBLICITY WOULD BE PREJUDICIAL TO THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED ON THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEMS. PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETING ACT 1960)

185 To receive a financial overview in line with quotations to consider the feasibility and associated costs of improving security at Carr Bridge Playing Fields and decide a course of action.

186 To receive a renewal quotation for the annual playground inspection.

187 To receive energy tariff quotes for Quarries Community Centre and decide a course of action.

Next Council Meeting: 11th May 2026 – Annual Council Meeting