

Nuneham Courtenay Parish Council

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The next meeting of Nuneham Courtenay Parish Council is to be held on Tuesday 3rd March 2026 at 7.30pm in Nuneham Courtenay Village Hall

Agenda

25/110 Apologies for absence

25/111 Declarations of interest

25/112 Approval of the minutes of the last ordinary meeting held on 13th January 2026

You can view the draft minutes on the Council's website.

25/113 Public participation

Members of the public may make representations, answer questions and give evidence at a meeting which they are entitled to attend in respect of the business on the agenda. The period of time designated for public participation at a meeting shall not exceed 15 minutes unless directed by the councillor chairing the meeting.

A member of the public wishing to speak at a meeting of the Council shall alert the chairman of the meeting to their wish before the start of the meeting. Before speaking, any member of the public shall give their name.

A member of the public shall not speak for more than five minutes.

25/114 Co-option to fill vacancy

The Council will, if it wishes, co-opt an elector to fill the current vacancy. The new member will then sign a declaration of acceptance of office.

25/115 County Councillor's report

You can view these on the Council's website here: [County Councillor's reports](#).

25/116 District Councillor's report

You can view these on the Council's website here: [District Councillor's reports](#).

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25/117 Planning Applications

The Council will consider its response to the planning consultations below:

- a) 30 Nuneham Courtenay: Replacement of seven single-glazed metal-framed windows with double-glazed PVC windows. [P25/S3614/FUL] [Consultation deadline: Wednesday 4th March 2026] You can view the application here: [30 Nuneham Courtenay](#).
- b) Land between Burcot Farm, Burcot and Cowley Substation Blackberry Lane, Oxford: Installation of an underground high voltage cable to support permitted solar development – new information. [P25/S3614/FUL] You can view the application here: [Cable](#).
- c) Land south of Grenoble Road near Sandford: Environmental Impact Assessment Scoping Opinion in relation to the proposed community. [P26/S0396/SCO] [Not subject to public consultation] You can view the application here: [Grenoble Road](#).
- d) Linear site comprising corridor between A34 Milton Interchange and B4015 north of Clifton Hampden including part of A4130 east of A34 Milton Interchange, land between Didcot and former Didcot A Power Station and Great Western Mainline, land to north of Didcot where it crosses private railway sidings and River Thames to west of Appleford-on-Thames before joining A415 west of Culham Station, land to south of Culham Science Centre through to connection with B4015 north of Clifton Hampden: Section 73 application to continue development permitted by R3.0138/21 (Dualling of A4130 carriageway (A4130 Widening) from Milton Gate Junction eastwards, including construction of three roundabouts. Road bridge over Great Western Mainline (Didcot Science Bridge) and realignment of A4130 north east of proposed road bridge including relocation of lagoon. Construction of new road between Didcot and Culham (Didcot to Culham River Crossing) including construction of three roundabouts, road bridge over the Appleford railway sidings and road bridge over River Thames. Construction of new road between B4015 and A415 (Clifton Hampden bypass), including provision of one roundabout and associated junctions. And controlled crossings, footways and cycleways, landscaping, lighting,

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noise barriers and sustainable drainage systems) without complying with condition 23 to vary wording that veteran trees still cannot be removed as part of development except for veteran (Tree T283) and Ancient (Tree T147) which have been re-classified since the approval of R3.0138/21.

[R3.0025/26] [Consultation deadline: Thursday 26th March 2026] You can view the application here: [HIF1](#).

- e) 5 Nuneham Courtenay: Formation of new dropped kerb to facilitate safe vehicular access; within the front garden, driveway surfaced in permeable gravel is proposed – new information. [P25/S3897/HH & P25/S3898/LB] You can view the application here: [5 Nuneham Courtenay](#).

and any other planning application received in advance of the meeting, and be updated regarding planning matters, including the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan

25/118 Finance

- a) Bank reconciliation to end January 2026
The Council will consider a bank reconciliation for the first ten months of the financial year to be presented by the Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer, which you can view on the Council's website [here](#).
- b) Budget monitoring report to end January 2026
The Council will consider a budget monitoring report covering the first three-quarters of the financial year presented by the Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer, which you can view on the Council's website [here](#).
- c) Transfer from deposit account to current account
The Council will consider whether to make a transfer from its deposit account to its current account.
- d) Approval of any payments sought
- e) Receipts
The Council will note the following receipt since the last ordinary meeting:
 - £905.00, HMRC, VAT refund Q3.

25/119 Correspondence

The Clerk will present correspondence for information only – matters requiring a Council decision will appear elsewhere on the agenda.

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25/120 Internal Audit 2025-26

The Council will appoint an Internal Auditor to conduct the internal audit for 2025-26.

25/121 IT Policy

The Council will adopt an IT Policy, as required by the Practitioners' Guide 2025: Governance and accountability for smaller authorities in England.

25/122 Accessibility Statement

The Council will adopt an Accessibility Statement for its website.

25/123 Grant application to SODC

The Council will consider whether to commit funds towards a project which is to be the subject of a grant application to SODC.

25/124 Annual Parish Meeting 2026

The Council will decide the state of the Annual Parish Meeting, which must be no later than 1st June.

25/125 Conservation issues

The Council will consider conservation issues in the parish, including All Saints Church and the former Harcourt Arms/ Cockadoo, and will be updated regarding the Village Guide.

25/126 Playing Field

The Council will be updated regarding the Playing Field and will consider any request from the Nuneham Courtenay Sports and Playing Field Association for financial assistance.

25/127 Village Hall

The Council will consider the condition of the Village Hall and will consider any request from the Village Hall Committee for financial assistance.

25/128 Community Safety

The Council will discuss the forthcoming visit by the Police Community Support Officers and any other community safety matters.

25/129 Speeding and other Highways issues

The Council will be updated regarding speeding and other Highways issues in the parish, including the full width

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resurfacing of the A4074 through the village commencing on Monday 9th March, and will discuss concerns about air quality.

25/130 Local Government Reorganisation

The Council will decide whether to express any preference for the three options on which the Secretary of State is holding a public consultation, further details of which you can view [here](#) [Consultation deadline: Thursday 26th March 2026].

The three options are generally referred to as:

- a) The one unitary proposal – a single council for Oxfordshire above its town and parish councils
- b) The two unitary proposal – one council consisting of Cherwell, Oxford City and West Oxfordshire; another council consisting of South Oxfordshire, Vale of White Horse and West Berkshire
- c) The three unitary proposal – as above, but with a Greater Oxford in the middle, of which this parish would become a part.

25/131 Flooding

The Council will discuss any actions it wishes to take to deal with the risk of flooding.

25/132 Public Transport

The Council will be updated regarding any public transport issues and will consider any issues to raise at the next Oxfordshire Parish Transport Representatives meeting on Tuesday 10th March 2026.

25/133 Community Governance Review

The Council will be updated regarding South Oxfordshire's current Community Governance Review.

25/134 Records Management

The Council will consider recommendations from the Clerk for records that the Council is no longer required by law to keep.

25/135 Business Continuity

The Council will amend or re-adopt its Business Continuity Policy. You can view the existing Business Continuity Policy on the Council's website [here](#).

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25/136 Solar Farms: Community Benefit

The Council will be updated regarding the proposal from The Baldons Parish Council for the two parish councils to request that Verdant Energy enter into a community partnership arrangement.

25/137 Council laptop

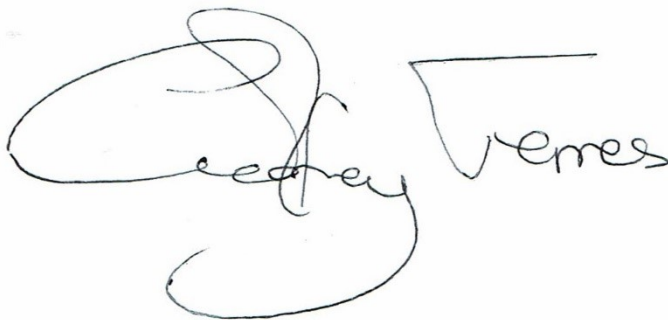
The Council will be updated regarding the purchase of a replacement for its laptop computer purchased almost 15 years ago, which runs on Windows 10, for which Microsoft has withdrawn support.

25/138 Council Website

The Council will be updated regarding the hosting of its domain now that HCI Data Ltd has decided to cease hosting gov.uk domains.

25/139 Defibrillator

The Council will be updated regarding the automated external defibrillator installed outside the Village Hall.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Geoffrey Ferres'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'G' and a horizontal line above the name.

Geoffrey Ferres

Parish Clerk

Wednesday 25th February 2026