

AUDLEY RURAL PARISH COUNCIL

PUBLIC NOTICE



IN COLLABORATION WITH S.L.C.C., N.A.L.C., O.V.W., COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS

**Next Parish Council Meeting
on Thursday 16th April 2026 at 7pm (following the
Annual Parish Meeting at 6pm)
to be held at Audley Pensioners Hall, Church Street
THE PUBLIC AND PRESS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO BE PRESENT
– But please note that they may be excluded for any item the
Council decide should be treated as confidential**

Date of Issue: 10.04.26
(Clerk/RFO)

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

1.	To receive apologies – IR TC DJ
2.	To consider approving and signing the Allotment Cttee and Full Council minutes 19 March 2026
3.	Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary interest in any item on the agenda <i>(Note member should notify Monitoring officer within 28 days if not already. They should not act or take decisions in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, their family, or their friends. They must declare and resolve any interests and relationships) To note dispensation granted for Parish Councillor Ian Rowley, Chris Cooper, Michelle Toft, Stephen Johnson, Sarah Williams (Audley Allotment Tenants)</i>
4.	Public Participation: Members of the public are invited to address the Council on any issue over which it has a power for up to 5 minutes each, with the item lasting up to a maximum of 15 minutes.
5.	Police, Borough, County Council and MP update (if available) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police update – to be circulated • County Councillor Machin Update • Borough Councillor Update • MP Update
6.	To receive a report back from Sir Thomas Boughey Academy students (Standing item) To update on the bus shelter painting project from the school (materials supplied)
7.	Elections - Thurs 7th May 2026 - 7am to 10pm – Parish/Town and Borough Council To note notice of poll etc Register to vote by no later than 20th April 2026 - Elections Office at 01782 742249 Email - electreg@newcastle-staffs.gov.uk Further info also here: https://www.newcastle-staffs.gov.uk/elections-registration-1/local-government-elections-2026
8.	Local Plan update – INFO only 1. NBC Local Plan – latest update is here https://www.newcastle-staffs.gov.uk/planning-policy/local-plan-examination/2
9.	To review : <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Financial regulations - see Appendix A1 2. Revised Model Standing Orders updated to 2025 NALC – see Appendix A2 3. Financial Risk Assessment/Internal Controls – see Appendix A3 To review Policies – H&S, Media, Equal Opportunities, Complaints – May meeting
10.	Planning – To consider any planning applications received, including:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To agree delegated authority to Chair/Vice Chair and Clerk for comments on planning applications where the deadline falls before the next meeting <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. FYI ONLY - Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 25/00115/FUL to allow small changes to the design of the dwelling Hope Cottage Leycett Lane Silverdale Newcastle Under Lyme Staffordshire ST5 6AW Ref. No: 26/00270/FUL

	<p>2. <u>Proposed 2 storey side extension, single storey front extension & change of material</u> Highview House 69 Boon Hill Road Bignall End Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire ST7 8LF Ref. No: 26/00267/FUL (Green Belt/Delegated)</p> <p>3. <u>FYI ONLY - Application for the variation of condition 2 of planning permission 23/00113/FUL to substitute plans for a two storey extension for plans for a single storey garage to be built on the same footprint.</u> Hill Crest 67 Chester Road Audley Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire ST7 8JF Ref. No: 26/00262/FUL</p> <p>4. <u>Proposed replacement of the existing carport and veranda with a new garage and veranda</u> The Hawthorns Wereton Road Audley Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire ST7 8HE Ref. No: 26/00259/FUL (Green Belt/Village Env/Delegated)</p> <p>5. <u>Erection of 1no. self-build dwelling and associated works</u> Land Adjacent To 129 Leycett Road Newcastle Under Lyme Staffordshire Ref. No: 26/00226/FUL (Green Belt/ANP 1, ANP 9, Delegated)</p> <p>6. <u>FYI ONLY Application for urgent tree works to fell T5</u> Oakleigh Bignall Hill Newcastle Under Lyme Staffordshire ST7 8LS Ref. No: 26/00230/TWA5 – Application permitted</p> <p>7. <u>FYI ONLY - Garage Rye Hills Bignall End Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire ST7 8LP</u> <u>Application for the approval of intrusive site investigations, remedial works and mitigatory measures as required by condition 4 of planning permission 25/00804/FUL</u> <u>Application for the approval of a scheme for intrusive ground investigation as required by condition 6 of planning permission 25/00804/FUL</u> <u>Application for the approval of a signed statement or declaration that the site is, or has been made, safe and stable for the approved development as required by condition 5 of planning permission 25/00804/FUL</u></p> <p>8. <u>FYI ONLY - Application for the approval of boundary treatments and hard landscaping for the driveway as required by condition 4 of planning permission 25/00519/FUL and Application for the approval of driveway surfacing and drainage details as required by condition 7 of planning permission 25/00519/FUL</u> 9 New Road Bignall End Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire ST7 8QF</p> <p>9. <u>Application for Permission in Principle for the erection of between 2 and 4 dwellings</u> Land Off Heathcote Road Miles Green Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire Ref. No: 26/00207/PIP</p> <p>10. <u>Proposal to alter and create a new access with a dropped kerb next to the existing dropped kerb (widening).</u> 6 Tomfields Woodlane Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire ST7 8PJ Ref. No: 26/00163/PLD</p> <p>11. <u>Alteration to parking arrangements to both properties and extension to garden boundary at 14a</u> 14 & 14A Nantwich Road Audley Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire ST7 8DH Ref. No: 26/00076/FUL</p> <p>12. <u>FYI ONLY Resurfacing of existing informal gravel car park, Between Co Op And Tesco Supermarket Church Street Audley Ref No: 26/00235/FUL – awaiting link</u></p> <p><u>FYI ONLY Development of up to 220,000m2 GIA of storage and distribution units (B8), general industrial units (B2) and industrial units (E(q)(iii)); training and education (F1(a)) and occupier support services accommodation; service yards and parking areas; new main vehicular access off the A500 and emergency access off Barthomley Road; lorry parking and ancillary driver amenity facilities; with associated landscaping, earthworks, drainage and attenuation features and other associated works (outline, all matters reserved except for the principal means of vehicular access to the Site)</u> Land South East Adjacent Junction 16 M6 At Cheshire Boundary Newcastle Under Lyme Staffordshire Ref. No: 25/00346/OUT – Ongoing</p>
11.	<p>To consider Grant applications (£2000 remaining overall/£300 per application, constituted parish groups)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Audley Striders Grant application - £300 gazebo sides – see Appendix B <p>To consider a request from Waterhayes Hedgehog rescue (contribution towards small charity registration £40)</p>
12.	<p>Footpaths (Budget £1,133.00)</p> <p>1. To note the working party on 16th April and future dates if agreed</p>

13.	<p>Playing Fields/Wildlife Areas/Car park/Assets inc :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To consider the Play Area, Margarets Gardens and Car Park Monthly Inspections for March (Appendix C1 and C2) and approval of any action required or taken under Delegated Authority – tree Leddys, graffiti Queen Street, grit bin STBH, replacement letters at Wood Lane noticeboard and removal of paint at the noticeboard by The Plough, removal of white paint Margarets Garden To consider a quote for replacement seats for the fitness equipment Queen Street – to be circ Leddys Field Support Group update – IR To register Halmer End Play area and Allotments, Scot Hay play area with Land Registry – quote of £600 plus land reg fees per site Halmer End Play area/Bowling Club railings concern raised by Stute
14.	<p>May meeting - To further consider projects for a volunteer day for each parish ward and lead councillors</p> <p>Civic Pride Day 26 August 2026 – Borough Council Event for Audley – suggestions for community groups, volunteers etc wanted to be involved on the day for a Parish Clean-up day working with partner agencies and the Borough Council – projects also required</p> <p>Civic Pride 2025 – Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council Lead councillor required for this event</p>
15.	<p>Audit of Accounts for year ending March 2026 – to be approved May 2026</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To approve the bank reconciliation statement to 31st March 26, Draft Annual Return, variances and the Statement of Accounts (unaudited) for year ending March 2026– Appendix D1 to follow To note the year end accounts will be with the Internal Auditor prior to External Audit on 20th April To review the Reserves policy – Appendix D2 to follow
16.	<p>Parish Seats and Bus shelters (£4.1k budget)</p> <p>Seat painting programme – remaining seats to be painted approx £150 per seat plus materials - 1 x Top of Hougherwall, 1 x Castle Hill, bus stop 1 x Church ramp, Church Street, 1 x Tesco, 1 x Nantwich Road/Barthomley Rd Junction</p> <p>To arrange for Parish owned bus shelter inspections x 6 – Opp The Plough, New Road/Chapel Street, Ravens Lane (new), Scot Hay (wood), Megacre (brick), Meadowside Ave/adj Vernon Ave</p>
17.	<p>Audley Bowling Club (Budget £2k) (note legal fees funded by reserves £3.5k)</p> <p>To consider a quote to relay flags on pavement and window issue (after inspection) – May/June</p>
18.	<p>Car parks :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Car Park Audley Methodist Church (budget £85k/£25k committed/£60k remaining for works) – update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To note update with the Planning application To approve the works specification for tender and evaluation criteria (if available) – to follow Appendix E Signage and bin for the site Procurement progress update Bignall End Road lease progression (£50k budget 26/27 financial year) –update
19.	<p>Highways issues (Budget £1400/£700 remaining):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Miles Green (Heathcote Road/Station Road junction) – standing item – County Cllr update on DHP Bignall Hill and nearby drains – flooding (Standing item) – to monitor future downpours A500 from National Highways – to note 4 accidents since temp signs were installed (Nov, Dec, Feb, March) plus reported near misses, awaiting signs to be installed
20.	<p>Standing item – CCTV /Police</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To note any requests for footage from Police– April To receive an update on the CCTV camera Church Street (Eon column replaced 16 March) and costs to replace parts if required To note work required to the camera by the library and replacement parts
21.	<p>UK GDPR (standing item)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data breaches/Subject Access requests/Information Security – reminder of responsibilities See emails for training opportunities
22.	<p>Communications and PR messages (Standing Item)</p> <p>To agree PR messages for the next month (note purdah)</p>
23.	<p>Correspondence and circulars -To review other items received not listed for next agenda</p> <p>Request to access Audley Allotments to survey and replace BT Open Reach pole</p> <p>Complaint re car park adj Butchers Arms</p>

24.	Clerks Update – Appendix F
25.	Councillor Reports (for information only/further actions and decisions must be included on next agenda – (note Highways/ROW issues to be reported outside of the meeting))
26.	Finance: 1. To approve payments/orders, receipts and transfers including noting payments made by delegated authority – (Appendix G) 2. To approve bank reconciliation statement (not signatory) – (Appendix G1)
27.	TO RESOLVE UNDER THE 1960 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS ACT) TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC DUE TO THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE MEETING TO BE DISCUSSED To further consider quotes to replace the damaged fencing at Rileys Field MUGA due to wear and tear – May