

Sibford Gower Parish Council

The councillors are summoned to attend a meeting of the Parish Council to be held on **Tuesday 20th January 2026 at 7pm** in Sibford Village Hall, Sibford Gower

AGENDA

48. Public participation session - (Members of the public are invited to address the council. The session will last for a maximum of 10 minutes with any individual contribution lasting a maximum of 3 minutes).

Business

49. Apologies for absence

50. Co-option of new councillor

51. Members' declarations of interest for items on the agenda

52. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council (PC) meeting held on 15th December 2025

53. Outstanding matters/actions from previous meetings

- a) Update re S106 allocation re the Hook Norton Road development
- b) Update re transfer of bank account to Unity Bank

Assets and services

54. Burial Ground

- a) Update re responsibility for maintenance of the Churchyard including tree management, memorial stones, and repair of the damaged walls
- b) To review the planned layout of the Burial Ground due to updated advice on the spacing of burials
- c) To confirm details of the quote received from Thomas Fox Landscaping re the grass cutting in the Churchyard and Burial Ground

55. Insurance requirements to ensure all assets are covered by insurance

Finance

56. To confirm completion of the third (Oct to Dec) quarterly Internal Controls check

57. To consider quotes for the provision of .gov.uk e-mail accounts, and for a PC specific website

58. Bank balances as at 14.01.26 - £123.60 and £20,343.21

59. To consider and agree the budget and resulting precept for 2026-27

60. To note and approve the following payments and receipts since the last meeting:

Payments:

29.12.25	Thomas Fox Landscaping	Hedge and shrubs cut back - Churchyard	£432.86
19.12.25	Lloyds	Account fee	£4.25

Receipts:

09.12.25	Lloyds	Interest	£10.12
09.01.26	Lloyds	Interest	£10.45

Planning

61. Planning applications received

25/03249/TCA – Bramley Close, Bonds End Lane, Sibford Gower. T1 trim horse chestnut tree by 2m and shape. T2 Trim hedge by c. 4m to align with hedges on each end. **No representation made.**

25/03222/F – Sibford Reservoir, Tyne Hill, Epwell. Construction of a new twin cell reinforced concrete service reservoir structure with associated ancillary works, including landscaping, fencing, car parking area, drainage works, provision of new access road with an access gate, and decommissioning and removal of existing reservoir cell. **This is a complex application to replace an essential service for our community. Given the rural nature of the location and the scheduled duration of the work, it is essential that there is minimum disruption for local farming activities, and highway access for both large farm vehicles and local residents is maintained at all times. (Response made using delegated powers).**

Planning decisions received

25/02578/F and 25/02579/LB – Stickleys House, Main Street, Sibford Gower. To install a home EV charger of size 300mm H x 200mm W x 120mm D on the house wall in a position not visible from the public domain. **Approved.**

25/02490/F – Sibford Park, Colony Road, Sibford Gower. Erection of new entrance gates with associated landscaping, alteration and widening of access route to create one entrance along with a bin store and alteration of existing track to New Barn Farm to ensure access is provided past the secure gates. **Approved.**

Planning appeal decisions received

APP/C3105/Y/25/3371110 – Little Brook, The Colony, Colony Road, Sibford Gower. RETROSPECTIVE - Revision of roof slope from consented drawings application 21/00437/F and 21/00438/LB. **Appeal allowed – Permission granted.**

Community

62. To note the Town Estate Charity's reappointment of Brian Heather (from 2024) and Tracey Morbey (from 2025) as the SGPC nominated trustees
63. Information exchange

Date of next meeting – 10th March 2026



Signed:

Parish Clerk

Date: 15th January 2026