

## Parish Council Meetings

The Parish Council meets at 7.30pm on the second Tuesday of every month in the Main Hall at Calcot. The current schedule for the next six months is below.

### Schedule of Parish Council meetings

14 October  
11 November  
9 December  
13 January 2026  
10 February  
10 March

Meetings are open to the public and start with an open forum when residents are invited to ask questions or raise issues. Anyone wishing to attend should advise the Clerk - [clerk@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk)

Agendas and minutes of meetings may be found on the Parish Council's web site – [www.tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk)

## Feedback

This is our first newsletter for many years, and we'd be interested in your feedback.

- Do you like the overall look and content?
- Do you like the format?
- Are there any specific topics you'd like us to try and include?
- Are you happy to receive the newsletter by e-mail?

Your input would be a great help – although we can't promise to make all suggested changes.

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Monday to Friday – visitors are welcome

### Parish Council's Newsletter

Future issues of this free newsletter will be distributed by e-mail  
To sign up, please contact  
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Hard copies may be requested from the Parish Office  
Past copies will be available to download from the Parish Council web site

# TILEHURST PARISH COUNCIL

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## NEWSLETTER

### Autumn 2025, issue 1

Dear Tilehurst Parish Residents,

Welcome to the first Tilehurst Parish Council Newsletter in around a decade - this will be the first of many issues to help keep residents up to date on the Parish Council's work.

In this newsletter you will find information about our recent achievements and the challenges we face. As well as owning and maintaining a number of parish assets, including halls and recreation grounds, we are a statutory consultee on local planning applications, so we comment and sometimes raise objections on those. I should also mention anti-social behaviour and the work we do with local police and youth workers to try to address this.

Our overall objective is to make Tilehurst Parish a better place to live in for our residents. If you have any questions, concerns, or ideas, please get in touch – contact information for councillors can be found on the Parish Council's web site.



*Clive Taylor  
Chairman of Tilehurst Parish Council*

### Parish Council's Annual Report for 2024/25

The Annual Report for the 2024/25 financial year is available to download as a PDF from the home page of our web site. It gives an overview of work we have carried out over the past financial year (to 31 March 2025), and of upcoming projects.

Any parishioner who would like a hard copy of the report should please contact the office – details at the end of this newsletter

### Parish Councillor vacancies

There are currently four vacancies which can be filled by co-option. If you're interested in representing the people of Tilehurst Parish and having a say in how we spend the precept on their behalf, please do consider becoming a parish councillor. If you are 18+ years of age this is an opportunity for you to help make a positive difference to life in Tilehurst.

For more information about what is involved, please contact the Clerk, by calling 0118 941 8833, or e-mailing [clerk@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk).

### Web site

The Parish Council's web site includes information about the council, legally required financial information, and parish amenities. The Latest News page gives information and updates on matters of local interest or relevance.

### Halls

Tilehurst Parish Council owns and maintains four halls: Main Hall and Jubilee Annexe in Calcot; Turnhams Farm Hall (Little Heath Road) and the Cornwell Centre (Clements Mead) in Tilehurst. Each is adjacent to a recreation ground.

All our halls are available to hire and are popular for children's parties as well as gatherings and meetings for adults. Further information, including current hire charges, may be found on the Parish Council web site, and anyone interested in making a booking should e-mail [bookings@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:bookings@tilehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk), or call the office on 0118 941 8833.

In addition to weekly hires and one-off party bookings, our halls host a range of regular community support groups, including:

- Age UK carer support and dementia awareness sessions;
- Blood donor sessions;
- Scouts;
- Sea Scouts from November to April;
- Motor Neurone Disease Association gatherings and meetings
- Junior and Senior youth clubs;
- West Berks Foodbank;
- Over 50s club.

### Recreation grounds

Over the summer, we completed projects at two of our recreation grounds; both were part-funded by money from West Berkshire Council's Members' Bids.

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Some of the fencing along Little Heath Road was removed so that a DDA-compliant gate could be installed. The path from the children's play area was extended past the football changing rooms to the new gate so those with disabilities or pushchairs are now able to access Turnhams Farm recreation ground in all weathers.

Benches and bins have been put in near the gate and it is hoped that many local residents will be able to enjoy the improved access and facilities.



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The bonded rubber mulch safety surface under play equipment at Cotswold recreation ground had been poorly laid and had deteriorated severely over the past few years, and this had made it vulnerable to vandalism. In June, all the old surface was taken up and new rubber mulch was laid, with wet pour in high wear areas such as under the swings. Work took two weeks, and the play area was reopened at the end of June.

