

Calne Without Parish Council Glossary of Terms

The Parish Council is aware that acronyms are used a lot in local government, and they are not always explained fully. Please always ask the Clerk or a Councillor if you cannot find what you are looking for, contact details are available on this website.

The following is a list of some of the most common terms used in the Parish Council and links to websites ,if appropriate, to find out more about them.

NALC - National Association of Local Councils

[Website](#)

The Parish Council has membership to NALC through the Wiltshire Association and Councillors can have access to the membership area by using the login details available from the Clerk.

WALC - Wiltshire Association of Local Councils

[Website](#)

The Council's local contact is Katie Fielding. WALC provide advice, training and a connection with the other Wiltshire Parishes.

SLCC - Society of Local Council Clerks

[Website](#)

The Clerk is a member of this not the Council. It provides training, support and discussion with other Clerks.

Area Board - Wiltshire is divided into 20 areas, each area has a Board made up of the 5 or 6 Wiltshire Councillors that represent the Council Division that make up the Area. Public meetings are held about every 2 months.

[Website](#)

All Parish Councillors can attend Area Board, but the Chairman usually attends as the Council's representative.

CATG - Calne Community Area Transport Group (each Area Board has one)

[Website](#)

The Council appoints a representative to this each year. The Group is run by a Wiltshire Councillor and the Area Board Engagement Manager and includes all the Parishes in the Calne Area Board and officers from Wiltshire Council Highways.

Planning Terms

More information and advice for planning is on the monthly Planning application list issued with each meeting.

NPPF - National Planning Policy Framework

[Website](#)

SHELAA- Strategic Housing & Economic Land Availability Assessment

[Website](#)

This is a list of sites that landowners submit to Wiltshire Council as being available for development. Their inclusion on the list does not indicate that they are going to be developed or that they are suitable for development only that the owner is willing to make them available.

WALPA - Wiltshire Area Localism and Planning Alliance

This is a group of Wiltshire Town and Parish Councils formed by the Mayor of Malmesbury in response to Wiltshire Council's lack of 5-year housing land supply and its subsequent affect on the validity of Neighbourhood Plans over 2-year-old. Calne Without is a member of the group.