

TWIGWORTH NEWS

The Oakwood Hotel Twigworth

The Oakwood Hotel has been bought by a Slough company, Kang Hotels for an undisclosed sum after offers of £2M were being sought.

Kang Hotels have plans to refurbish the 55-bedroom Oakwood Hotel and create a “high-end offering” for guests with an additional bar and restaurant.

This acquisition was announced by the business property adviser Christie & Co on September 23, 2025.

Kang Hotels is an operator of a growing portfolio of UK properties, and The Oakwood Hotel is now part of their expanding portfolio, according to a post on X.



Twigworth Parish Council - Facebook Page

Facebook Users will have observed that the Facebook Page for Twigworth Parish Council has been deactivated and is no longer available.

There are a few reasons for this but primarily we would like to encourage everyone to visit and use our website, as many of the Posts on our Facebook Page were duplicated from our website, and posts being shared from other sites, then uploaded to our website... this requires a certain amount of administration and considered unnecessary.

The Parish Council website has an extensive menu and is full of information, councillor contact details, latest local news, planning, back copies of newsletters, meeting minutes, highways, community information, schools, bus timetable, history and much more!

Residents and others, can still contact the Parish Council using the online forms which are available on our website, this will enable a more structured approach when reporting issues to our Council.

Residents can also contact any of the Parish Councillors or Borough Councillors by email, contact details are on the Parish Council website

This should improve the online experience for everyone, with a one stop approach, less duplication; residents and others, can SUBSCRIBE FOR FREE, to receive the Latest Posts, Newsletters etc via their email.

Planning Applications

25/00788/FUL - Twigworth Court Tewkesbury Road

The proposals are for the construction of two new dwellings within the application site, as follows:

- 4-bedroom, single storey, barn style dwelling (House 1) with a detached garage on the eastern plot (on the eastern side of the existing brick wall which divides the application site).
- 4-bedroom, one-and-a-half storey, pavilion-style dwelling with an integral garage (House 2) on the western plot (on the western side of the existing brick wall which divides the application site).

Status: Awaiting decision

Land East of Sandhurst Lane, Twigworth, GL2 9PH

The Parish Council have been advised that Mac Mic Strategic Land are proposing to submit an application for outline planning at land east of Sandhurst Lane, Twigworth, GL2 9PH.

The Applicant has further advised that they hope to be in a position to submit to Tewkesbury Borough Council later this year.

Currently, the emerging masterplan includes proposals for **up to 195 new homes**, a Sustainable Drainage System, new landscaping and areas of public open space, to be accessed via the A38; an EIA screening request will be submitted to the Council shortly.

23/00724/FUL - 1 Laburnum Cottage, Tewkesbury Road

Tewkesbury Borough Council Planning Enforcement has issued a Temporary Stop Notice on 25 September 2025, as they believe a breach of Planning Control has taken place.



The Stop Notice is a formal order from the local authority to immediately cease an activity that is in breach of planning control.

The temporary stop notice takes immediate effect and lasts for 28 days, while a full stop notice can only be served after an enforcement notice has already been issued.

Failure to comply with a stop notice is a criminal offence.

25/00332/FUL - Annexe, Roseland House, Tewkesbury Road

Change of use from an annex and part conversion of a double garage to form a separate dwelling house served by existing site access. Creation of new highway access to serve Roseland house with turning and parking space.

Status: Awaiting decision

25/00029/CONDIS - Land To The West Of Twigworth Court Farm Tewkesbury Road (Solar Farm)

Application for approval of details subject to conditions 3 (Construction management plan), 6 (Code of Construction Practice CCP) & 9 (Construction and Environmental Management Plan (CEMP)) of planning permission 23/00441/FUL.

Status: Awaiting decision

Waste Recycling

Recycling | Fortnightly

Use for glass, plastic pots, tubs, trays and bottles, paper and card, cans, tins, aerosols and foil

Empty and rinse all containers to remove any food remnants.

Recycling must be loose – do not use carriers or black sacks.

Check before you chuck! Wrong items can prevent your bin being emptied.



| Yes please ✓ | No thanks ✗ |
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| Plastic bottles, tubs, trays and containers | Food waste |
| Glass jars and bottles | Textiles |
| Tins, cans, clean foil and empty aerosols | Nappies |
| Clean, dry paper and card | Soft plastics, polystyrene and crisp packets |
| Tetra Pak and cartons | Plastic film from food containers |

Find your collection dates at [tewkesbury.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling](https://www.tewkesbury.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling). Bins and caddies must be on the kerbside by 7am on your scheduled collection day.

Food recycling | Weekly

Use for all food waste including peelings, egg shells, bones and plate scrapings

Recycling food waste turns it into biogas and soil conditioner for local farms.

Caddies can be lined with compostable bags, newspaper or old plastic bags such as bread bags.

When your kitchen caddy is full, empty the contents into the larger outdoor caddy.



| Yes please ✓ | No thanks ✗ |
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| Fish, meat, bones and stale pet food | Food packaging of any kind |
| Leftovers, mouldy and gone-off food | Large volumes of oil or milk |
| Bread, rice and pasta | Nappies |
| Fruit and veg peelings | Garden waste |
| Teabags and coffee grounds | Pet waste |

Need a replacement caddy? Order online at [tewkesbury.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling](https://www.tewkesbury.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling). Bins and caddies must be on the kerbside by 7am on your scheduled collection day.

Waste | Fortnightly

Only use for what can't be recycled

Please only throw away items you can't recycle.

We cannot collect excess bags of waste or bins where the lid cannot close because of the amount of waste.

Please use your food caddy for food recycling.



| Yes please ✓ | No thanks ✗ |
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| Nappies, wetwipes and tissues | Recyclable items |
| Compostable cutlery and coffee cups | Textiles |
| Soft plastic film from food containers | Batteries |
| Crisp packets | Small electrical or electronic items |
| Polystyrene | Garden or food waste |

We may issue special instructions about side waste in adverse weather conditions such as floods or snow. Up to date information will be issued on our website and social media.

Bulky item collections

Use for large household items such as furniture, mattresses, white goods and large electricals

We collect up to six items per booking.

This is a charged-for service. For information on discounts for those in receipt of certain benefits please call 01684 295010.

We've partnered with the charity Orchard Recycling, to recycle and reuse as many items as possible. Please try to protect items from the weather.

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| furniture | white goods | mattresses | bikes | computers & televisions |
| beds | electricals | sofa | carpet and tile | wardrobes |

Alternatively, you can take household items to your nearest Household Recycling Centre for free. You must pre-book your visit. To find out more please visit [gloucestershirerecycles.com](https://www.gloucestershirerecycles.com)

To book a collection visit [tewkesbury.gov.uk/bulky-item-collection](https://www.tewkesbury.gov.uk/bulky-item-collection) or call 01684 295010

Small electrical and electronic items recycling

Use for broken electronic toys, disposable vapes, mobile phones, small kitchen appliances, cables.

Place all items into a carrier bag (please do not tie it up) and place it at the side of your recycling bin on the day of collection.

We cannot take larger items such as TVs at the kerbside due to lack of space on the vehicles.



| Yes please ✓ | No thanks ✗ |
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| Small kitchen appliances | TVs and monitors |
| Household appliances (hair dryers, radios, power tools etc) | Lightbulbs or fluorescent tubes |
| Personal care (shavers, electric toothbrushes etc) | Larger appliances |
| Cables, chargers and strings of lights | Batteries |
| Toys and games consoles | |

On some occasions our collection cage may be full. If your items are not collected please keep it and put it out with your next recycling collection.

At time of printing, we are not able to offer this service to residents with communal bins. Please visit [tewkesbury.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling](https://www.tewkesbury.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling) for up to date information.

Frequently asked questions

Q When do my bins get collected?

A Go online to [tewkesbury.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling](https://www.tewkesbury.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling)

Q Why can't I put carrier bags or black bags in my recycling bin?

A Our Materials Recycling Facility can only recycle the right items. Our crew can't check inside carrier bags to see what is inside, and will not empty a recycling bin if it contains bags or other 'non-target' materials such as polystyrene, nappies etc.

Q I had some guests staying and have some extra waste. Can I put this out with my bin?

A No. We don't take excess waste, or bins with open lids. You can take extra waste to the Household Recycling Centre.

Q I haven't got time to keep bringing my bin in and out. Can I leave my bin out on the kerbside?

A No. Bins block pedestrian access to pavements. Bins must be out no earlier than the night before collection, and moved from public spaces as soon as possible after they are emptied.

Q Where does the recycling go?

A Visit [gloucestershirerecycles.com](https://www.gloucestershirerecycles.com) to find out what happens to our waste, recycling and food waste.

JUST ASK THE WASTE WIZARD

Use the waste wizard search to find out alternative ways you can repair, reuse, recycle or dispose of your household items.

[gloucestershirerecycles.com/waste-wizard/](https://www.gloucestershirerecycles.com/waste-wizard/)

Twigworth Green Development

When a new housing development like Twigworth Green is nearing completion (2026), home owners should be concerned about several key issues, from unfinished infrastructure to the quality of the construction itself.

Failure to address these issues could have long-term consequences for the community.

It is most important that residents are satisfied that their properties have been completed to the required specification and that all problems and issues which have been reported to Vistry, Bovis, Linden or Bloor have been addressed... the builders normally have two years to address these issues from the date of purchase.

Contact your developer now if you are not happy with the street furniture such as road signs, house numbers, road safety signage, drainage, sewage and any localised flooding issues in wet weather, landscaping such as grassed areas, trees, shrubs, footpaths, children's play areas - when your developer has left site, they will be gone!

STW Failure - A38/Sandhurst Lane

Reports of main drain blockages - near A38/Sandhurst Lane junction in Twigworth.

STW were called initially Saturday 4th Oct and a STW engineer attended within 24 hours or so.

The problem arose again on Tuesday 7th Oct, and once again an engineer attended. They said they would do a fuller 'endoscopy'.

The engineer commented to the householder that 'the network cannot cope with the additional houses now online'.

It appears that remedial work required of STW before more houses are connected has not yet been completed ...

Remembrance Ceremony

Arrangements are being made for the Remembrance Day Ceremony which will take place at the Church of St Matthew, War Memorial on **Saturday 8th November 2025**.

The Reverend Joe Knight will lead the small service of remembrance, supported by members of the Royal British Legion, Gloucester Branch and Twigworth Parish Council members and hopefully local residents.

All local residents, including armed service members, are invited to attend, meet at **10:45 for 11:00 hrs**.

Wreaths will be laid at the War Memorial by representatives of the Royal British Legion and Twigworth Parish Council.



Drain Failures

If you notice a failure of the drains outside your property, or identify bad odours from the sewer system, please tell us where, so that we can bring it to the attention of the relevant authorities.

And if you need help urgently, contact Severn Trent Water on 0800 783 4444

Damaged Bollard & Tree

The damaged bollard, which looks as though it has been hit by a vehicle and the wind damaged tree, both located in Halfpenny Close have been reported to Vistry.



Resignation of Parish Councillor

Elaine Watson has announced her resignation as a Twigworth Parish Councillor.

Elaine had been a Parish Councillor for many years and contributed to our community significantly, she will be missed and we wish her and her family well for the future.



Thank you Elaine for your service.

Next Parish Council Meeting

Thursday 6th November 2025

19:00 - 21:00

Down Hatherley Village Hall

Parish Council meetings are open to the public if you wish to hear what's going on in and around Twigworth or to raise any issues or ideas.

NOTICE OF CO-OPTION FOR OFFICE OF COUNCILLOR

PARISH OF TWIGWORTH

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that a casual vacancy has arisen in the Office of Councillor for the above Parish Council.
Less than 10 requests for an election to fill said vacancy has been made in writing to the Returning Officer and the Parish Council will now **co-opt to fill the vacancy**;

Any interested parties should email the Clerk at twigworthparishcouncil@gmail.com by the 1st November 2025 with confirmation that they:

- a) on that day they are and thereafter they continue to be **on the electoral register for the area**
- b) during the whole of those 12 months **resided either in the parish or within three miles of it**
or have during the whole of the 12 months preceding that day occupied as **owner or tenant** any land or other premises in that area or that their principal or only **place of work** during the 12 months has been in that area
- c) that they are **over 18 years old**
- d) that they are **not disqualified** to act as a Parish Councillor

It will also help the Council, should there be more applicants than vacancies, for a brief outline of the benefits/interests that the applicant would bring to the Parish Council.

All applicants are invited to attend the next Parish Council meeting on 6th November 2025, where a brief introduction to Council may be made and the successful applicant can sign the appropriate forms and join the Council at that point

If any applicant has any further questions on the process or on the role of a Parish Councillor please contact the Clerk at the above email address
Dated 14th October 2025

Signed *Belinda Holder*

Clerk to Parish Council

Standing to be a Councillor

Would you like to have more of a say in what goes on in your community?

Are you passionate about your local area?

Do you believe there should be more available for young people or feel that you could help local businesses to thrive?

Whatever your motivation, stand for what you believe in – be a councillor!

What kind of support will I get?

There is a lot of support and advice available to help you make your decision and, if elected, you will have a whole team of people dedicated to helping you get the most out of your experience.

How can I get involved?

Once you've decided to get involved and stand as a councillor there are two main routes. You can either stand for one of the political parties/groups or as an independent.

Representing a political party

If you want to represent a political party then get involved with your party locally as soon as possible. They will advise on what is involved and ultimately select a candidate.

Standing as an independent candidate

If you're thinking of standing as an independent candidate there is a lot of helpful information on the Electoral Commission website. You will need to start becoming aware of issues in your local area, what the council is doing about these issues, and how your own opinion differs from the political parties.

What the commitment involves...

- Parish councillors are volunteers who serve a four-year term.
- The time commitment is flexible and varies, with many councils meeting once a month.
- Attendance at council and committee meetings is required to discuss agendas, vote on issues, and make formal decisions.
- You will be expected to adhere to a code of conduct and represent the entire electorate.

More information

You can find out more information on becoming a councillor on the Local Government Association website.

<https://tewkesbury.gov.uk/about-the-council/voting-and-elections/standing-for-election/>