

**MINUTES**  
**Alvington Parish Council**  
**Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

**Present: Councillors: Macharg, Powell, Turner, Thompson.**  
**Officers: Viktoriia Iemeljanova (Clerk).**  
**Members of the public.**

**1. ATTENDANCE**

- a) **Resolved to receive** apologies for absence from those councillors unable to attend from **Councillor Heys.**
- b) **Resolved to accept** those apologies received with reasons for absence from **Councillor Heys.**

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

- a) **To receive Declarations of Interest** in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers and in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members.

*Interests may be declared at any time during the meeting should they become apparent.*

**None to declare.**

**3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

- a) **Resolved to approve** as a correct record the [minutes of the Council Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> of November 2025.](#)
- b) **To consider** any questions arising from those minutes.  
**There were none.**

**None Nick,alex**

**2. REPORT FROM DISTRICT / COUNTY COUNCILLOR McFARLING**

**To receive and note** report from Chris McFarling who may attend the meeting

**There had been no report from Councillor McFarling who was not at the meeting.**

**3. PUBLIC FORUM**

Chris Shill reported that there was nothing further to raise.

Alec Davis - requested to consult with Cllr Heys and Cllr McFarling regarding the need for a traffic survey, following concerns about a significant increase in traffic levels. The potential use of a traffic camera was also discussed.

It was reported that Bloomery Court application has a further extension date of 18 December. It was noted that enforcement issues relating to this matter have been ongoing for approximately six years.

Concern was raised by John Wood regarding a tree branch near the Village Hall, which may present a danger. Cllr Powell advised that the tree crown may need to be reduced.

Action: Clerk to send a formal letter to Terry Jones regarding the tree branch at the Village Hall.

Viv Harris raised concerns about visibility at the bus stop window, noting that passengers need to step outside to see approaching buses. Cllr Thompson suggested that a mirror could be installed to improve visibility.

Chris Shill reported that he had seen a suitable bench for the bus stop, costing approximately £300, and described it as very comfortable. Chris Shill agreed to obtain further details and provide a quotation to Cllr Powell.

Viv Harris also raised concerns that some villagers have taken land from the playfield. Cllr Powell responded that the Council does not own the land but has registered it.

**4. VILLAGE**

- a) **Resolved to note** on village/parish improvement matters (see meeting pack. **No change.**

**5. SPORTS FIELD**

- a) **To consider** renewal of annual membership of Gloucestershire Playing Fields Association at a cost of £50 (no VAT).  
**Proposed by Cllr Thompson, seconded by Cllr Powell.**
- b) **Report on Quiz and Pudding Night 8th November 2025.**

Received a report on the Quiz and Pudding Night held on 8 November 2025. The event was described as enjoyable and successful. Thanks were extended to John and others for their kind donations.

**c) To receive** any other reports on the Sports Field.

It was noted that the fence area had been cleaned. Members were informed that play equipment would be installed/worked on from Monday until Christmas.

Some issues were reported regarding the car park while works are ongoing.

Cllr Turner reported a cost estimate of **£400** for the gates. It was agreed that this would require further consideration, and Cllr Powell was asked to review the matter.

Concerns were raised about people staying on the Sports Field overnight, and the need to discourage this was discussed.

**Action:** Clerk to publish a safety notice on the Council website.

**6. FINANCE**

**a) To ratify payments [made in November 2025](#)**

Cllr N Powell	Reimbursement for Quiz Night bar stock	£152.94
Forest Equipment Services	Dog bins	£90.72

**Proposed by Cllr Thompson, seconded by Cllr Turner.**

**b) To approve payments for [December 2025](#).**

V Iemelianova	Clerk Pay November 2025	£374.52
V Iemelianova	Ink cartridges – reimbursemen	£30.40
Alvington Memorial Hall	Quiz Night Hall Hire	£45.00
FC Alvington Star	Pitch Repair Costs	£282.00

**Proposed by Cllr Thompson, seconded by Cllr Turner.**

**c) To note the [receipts of income received November 2025](#).**

Lloyds Bank October	Bank Interest	£22.19
Cllr R Heys Donation wines	Takings from Quiz Night	£103.00
Cllr R Heys	Takings from Quiz Night	£289.00
Alvington/Woolaston bar Quiz	Takings from Quiz Night	£76.11

**d) Resolved to note** progress of the Internal controls checks for Q1 and Q2 25/26.

**7. CHURCHYARD**

**a) To receive** updates on any churchyard matters.

**There were none.**

**8. HIGHWAYS**

**a) To receive** updates on road safety matters.

**b) To note** any updates on highways matters (see Meeting Pack).

**There were none.**

**9. BUDGET 2026/2027**

**a) To consider** budget proposals for expenditure for 2026/2027.

**b) To consider** precept amount to be requested from the District Council.

Members noted that no Chair was present at the meeting and that the tax base for the financial year 2026/2027 had not yet been received.

As a result, it was **AGREED** that the Council was unable to consider or determine the budget and precept for 2026/2027 at this meeting.

It was **RESOLVED** that an **Extraordinary Meeting** be convened in **January** to consider and agree the 2026/2027 budget and the precept once the tax base information has been received.

**10. CORRESPONDENCE**

**Resolved to note** [correspondence for information](#).

**11. COUNCIL**

**a) Resolved to receive** [The Clerk's Report](#).

**b) Resolved to receive** Councillors reports and items for future agendas.

c) **To note** the date of the next Full Council Meeting – **Thursday, 5th of February at 7.30 p.m.**

**The meeting concluded at 20.28hrs**