

MINUTES

Alvington Parish Council Extraordinary Meeting

Thursday, 16th July 2026

Present: Councillors: Heys, Powell, Turner

Officers: Viktoriia Iemelianova (Clerk).

1. ATTENDANCE

- a) **To receive** apologies for absence from those councillors unable to attend from **Councillor Macharg**
- b) **To consider for acceptance** those apologies received with reasons for absence from **Councillor Macharg**.

2. PAVILION PROJECT.

- a) **To consider** the recommendation of the Sports Committee and approve the proposed bid for the Pavilion Project.

Cllr Heys provided the relevant materials and supporting documents for consideration and discussion. He reported that he had raised several queries with FODDC and had received responses from them.

FODDC confirmed that a Pavilion can be built and that the Section 106 funding can be used in full for the Pavilion Project. Cllr Heys also advised that a response was awaited from FODDC regarding whether a short-term loan could be provided to cover the VAT on the Pavilion Project, with the VAT subsequently being reclaimed and the loan repaid.

Cllr Heys reported that he had also met with the Gloucestershire Council team regarding potential funding opportunities. It was noted that an application could be made for a grant of up to **£15,000** to improve the sports field and make it more resilient to climate change.

The possibility of applying to the **Football Foundation** for a grant towards pitch works, including works relating to electricity, was also discussed. It was further noted that the possibility of applying for a grant from **Gloucestershire Cricket Club** could be explored.

Cllr Heys proposed that the Pavilion building should be constructed as the first stage of the project, with fundraising for the additional works and facilities taking place afterwards. He explained that delaying the construction could result in increased building costs.

Cllr Heys provided a proposed plan for the Pavilion building, which is to be included with the meeting records as a PDF attachment. Subject to all necessary arrangements and approvals progressing satisfactorily, it was anticipated that the Pavilion could be completed by **Christmas 2026**. It was noted that the cost of scaffolding should be included in the overall construction costs.

Decision:The meeting agreed to proceed with the construction of the Pavilion as the first stage of the project, subject to the necessary arrangements, approvals and funding being confirmed. The proposed bid for the Pavilion Project was approved.

3. COUNCIL

- a) **Resolved to note** the date of the next Full Council Meeting – **Thursday 3rd September 2026 at 7.30pm**

Meeting closed: 20.05 p.m.