

**Alderminster Parish Council**  
 Minutes for  
 Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council  
 Held on  
 Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
 Alderminster Village Hall 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr John Melville  
 Cllr Mark Meadows  
 Cllr David Curtis  
 Mrs L Callow (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

Also present: DC Cllr Paul Harrison & 2 member of the public

1	<b>Apologies:</b> None Received
2	<b>Co-Option-</b> Due to unforeseen circumstances the candidate was unable to attend and asked for it to be adjourned till the next March meeting.
3	<b>Declaration of interests:</b> Cllr Meadows—no pecuniary interest for item 6 on agenda.
4	<b>Questions from the public:</b> Members of the public used this time to ask questions and express their opinions.
5	<b>Minutes of the previous meetings:</b> The minutes from the previous meetings of the 10 <sup>th</sup> and 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2025 were <b>RESOLVED</b> to accept and were signed by the Chairman.
6	<b>Planning applications:</b>
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 25/01496/REM – unanimously agreed to submit No Objection</li> <li>• 25/00966/REM- unanimously agreed to submit No Objection</li> <li>• 25/02920FUL- unanimously agreed to submit No Objection</li> <li>• 25/02946/VARY- unanimously agreed to submit No Objection</li> </ul>
8	<b>Precept</b> – it was discussed and <b>RESOLVED</b> to set the precept for the financial year2026/27 at £16,800.
9	<b>Hedges:</b> The chair has posted a courtesy letter to the houses with overgrown hedges that are blocking or partially blocking the public footpath, Orbit hasn't removed or done anything regarding the hedge/trees planted around the bus shelter.
10	<b>Drainage:</b> Cllr Meadows will email the WCC Cllr with any drainage issues within the village who will then enquire to get the problems dealt with.
	<b>Councillors' reports:</b> None

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**District and County Councillors' reports:**

WCC Cllr Curtis- full report attached. **Appendix A**

DC Cllr- Cllr Harrison introduced himself to the council and MOP. He has been in contact with residents and is trying to help with community matters.

**Accounts for payment and finance matters:**

- i) Laura Callow (reimbursement for Christmas fair donation) - £65.00
- ii) Clerks Salary (November) - £\*\*
- iii) HMRC - £\*\*
- iv) DCK Payroll (November) - £37.80
- v) Grant (Village Voices) - £500
- vi) DCK Payroll (December) - £37.80
- vii) HMRC - £\*\*
- viii) Clerks Salary (December)- £\*\*

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The Chairman signed the supporting documentation.

**Correspondence:**

The next Parish Forum meeting is being held over zoom on 29<sup>th</sup> January at 6:30, Cllr Meadows will be attending.

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Planning training is on 4<sup>th</sup> March. More information will be emailed to councillors.

**Items for future agenda:** Co-option, drainage, Hedges update

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Next meeting Monday 09<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**Meeting closed at 08.08pm**

Signed.....

**Appendix A**

**Warwickshire county councillors report**

**Councillor David Cutrtis**

**November 2025**

**Councillor Grant Fund**

This year the Round 1 deadline for applications was Sunday 20 July 2025 so I expect a similar date for 2026. I'll keep you posted. There have been moves to remove this fund due

to budget pressures, but this is being resisted by Members on all sides

**White Lines**

Renewing white lines is relatively inexpensive and an effective way of increasing road safety. The budget for white lining is agreed early in the financial year and is best carried out in late spring/summer.

It would be extremely helpful to let me know at the March meeting what priorities the parish has for white lines, I can then get these requests into the system early.

**Potholes etc**

Please let me know about recurring pothole issues, this is a major problem at this time of year and Highways are doing their best to keep up

**20mph**

There are a number of groups across the county campaigning for 20mph limits in rural areas. Currently it's a lottery, if you're in Oxfordshire, Gloucs etc you can have a 20mph limit, Warwickshire, no, there's a great deal of push-back from officers. I'm campaigning for a 20mph zone in Ettington and will keep you posted. This week I had a meeting with the Portfolio Holder who is not unsympathetic and our MP Manuela Perteghella is very supportive

**Budget**

We have now had the Government Settlement which was circulated shortly before Christmas. In brief it's not good news for the shires and the Government is prioritising urban rather than rural areas of deprivation. Next week we will have an update from the S151 Officer, Rob Powell and I'll update at the next PC Meeting