



NEW ALRESFORD TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of New Alresford Town Council held on Tuesday 25th March 2025 commencing at 7.00pm

Name	Present	Apologies
Cllr Byrne (Chair)	✓	
Cllr Bean		✓
Cllr Dakin	✓	
Cllr Eager	✓	
Cllr Evans	✓	
Cllr Flood	✓	
Cllr Jeffs	✓	
Cllr Jones		✓
Cllr Sprott		✓
Cllr Weston	✓	

IN ATTENDANCE: Richard Doughty (Town Clerk), Cllr Pinniger and four members of the public.
Apologies from Cllr Gordon-Smith, Cllr Porter & Cllr Power

24/142 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

RESOLVED: To accept apologies from Cllrs Bean, Jones & Sprott.

24/143 INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

- a. Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
None
- b. Declarations of Declarable Pecuniary and Personal Interests
Cllr Evans in Chamber of Commerce matter
Cllr Eager in the Taylor Wimpey matter
Cllr Dakin in the Allotments matter
- c. To confirm any Dispensations
None

24/144 MINUTES

RESOLVED: To approve the Minutes of the Council Meeting on 25th February 2025.

Chairman

Date:

24/145 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Residents with property adjacent to Alrebury Park requested the Council consider the height and width of a tree adjacent to their property. The Council agreed to investigate the matter.

24/146 COUNTY & CITY COUNCILLORS

The County and City Councillor's reports were noted. Cllr Pinniger highlighted changes to the postal vote system, devolution and glass recycling in the town.

24/147 COMMUNITY MATTERS

- a. **RESOLVED:** To approve the use of Arlebury Park for the Rotary Alresford 10K Run and Children's Fun Run on Sunday 15th June 2025 between 7am and 12pm.
- b. Cllr Byrne updated the Council on Alrebury Park Community Event – Summer 2025.

24/148 COUNCIL MATTERS

- a. **RESOLVED:** To approve the proposed Council Committee Structure.
- b. To note the need to respond to Taylor Wimpey regarding play area and open space designs.

24/149 FINANCE

- a. **RESOLVED:** To approve Financial Accounts for February 2025.
The Council agreed that it should initiate discussions in the new financial year regarding the investment of CIL grants in the Town.
- b. **RESOLVED:** To approve the Asset Register.
- c. The Town Clerk outlined that the Council had written to Zurich to confirm coverage for Asset Register adjustments.
- d. **RESOLVED:** To approve the Financial Risk Assessment.
- e. **RESOLVED:** To approve the purchase of Scribe Accounting for £4,590 and Scribe Allotments for £1782 for a 5-year subscription.
- f. **RESOLVED:** To approve an Earmarked Reserve of £15,394 for the Neighbourhood Plan representing the unspent funding at year end.
- g. **RESOLVED:** To approve grant of £250 for Chamber of Commerce Easter Egg Hunt.
- h. **RESOLVED:** To approve grant for the Allotment Society for £500.

24/150 AUDIT

- a. **RESOLVED:** To confirm the appointment of Tim Light of Lightatouch as Internal Auditor for FY 2024/25.
- b. **RESOLVED:** To confirm that New Alresford Town Council has no conflict of interest with Lightatouch.

Chairman

Date:

24/151 ALLOTMENTS

- a. **RESOLVED:** To approve the New Alresford Town Council and Allotment Society Memorandum of Understanding

24/152 PLANNING

- a. The Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting of 4th February 2025 were noted.

24/153 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

- a. The Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee Meeting of 18th February 2025 were noted.
- b. **RESOLVED:** To delegate the Town Clerk to approach Alresford Surgery and the Integrated Care Board to initiate discussions on treatment capacity and the plans for increased treatment needs of the Town.

24/154 EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC

RESOLVED: The Town Council exercise their right to exclude the public and press from a closed meeting due to the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.
(Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 section 1(2))

24/155 LEGAL MATTERS

- a. Football Heads of Terms
Cllrs Byrne and Evans briefed the Council on the latest meeting with ATFC.
- b. Men's Shed Project
The Council agreed resolutions related to the project.
- c. Alresford Rotary Correspondence
The Council agreed a response to Alresford Rotary correspondence.

The meeting closed at 9.58 pm

Chairman

Date: