



# NEW ALRESFORD TOWN COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Meeting of New Alresford Town Council held on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2025 commencing at 7.00pm

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Richard Doughty (Town Clerk), Cllr Pinniger, Cllr Porter & Cllr Power.

Five members of the public.

Apologies from Cllr Gordon-Smith

### **25/019 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**RESOLVED:** To accept apologies from Cllrs Flood, Jeffs, Jones & Sprott.

### **25/020 INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS**

- Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests – None.
- Declarations of Declarable Pecuniary and Personal Interests – None.
- To confirm any Dispensations -None.

### **25/021 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** To approve the Minutes of the Council Meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

### **25/022 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A member of the public representing the Chamber of Commerce explained the need for the Chamber to conduct an up-to-date business survey and the Chamber's intent to submit a grant application when costs of the survey are confirmed.

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Three members of the public spoke regarding the Men's Shed request to lease an area of Arlebury Park. It was confirmed that the negotiation with the Men's Shed continued and the matter was on the agenda.

**25/023 COUNTY & CITY COUNCILLORS**

The County and City Councillor's reports were noted. Topics discussed were the changes to the road and parking arrangements at Sun Hill School, a Route 67 bus consultation, and reporting of potholes.

**25/024 FINANCE**

- a. **RESOLVED:** To approve the March 2025 Accounts.
- b. **RESOLVED:** To note the Final Internal Audit Review.
- c. **RESOLVED:** To note the Annual Internal Audit Report 2024/25.
- d. **RESOLVED:** To approve the Annual Governance Statement 2024/25.
- e. **RESOLVED:** To approve the Accounting Statements 2024/25.
- f. **RESOLVED:** To approve the period for the Exercise of Public Rights to commence on Monday 30th June 2025 and end on Friday 8th August 2025.
- g. **RESOLVED:** To confirm there are no conflicts of interest between New Alresford Town Council and BDO LLP.
- h. **RESOLVED:** To adopt the revised Financial Regulations.
- i. **RESOLVED:** To approve Cllr Bean, Dakin, Evans and Weston as the signatories for the Unity Trust Bank and Redwood Bank savings accounts.
- j. **RESOLVED:** To transfer £260,000 from Lloyd's Current Account to Lloyds 32-day Savings Account.

**25/025 GRANTS**

**RESOLVED:** To approve the grant request from Ropley Primary School for £1,000.

**25/026 PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

- a. It was confirmed that there are no amendments requested to the Terms of Reference from the Committee.
- b. **RESOLVED:** To approve and adopt the *Small sports events and exercise classes in Open Spaces Policy*.
- c. **RESOLVED:** To approve and adopt the *Vendors in Open Spaces Policy*.
- d. **RESOLVED:** To approve the quote from Barnes and Liddiard for replacement of emergency lighting for £5,926.
- e. **RESOLVED:** To approve the quote from White Worxs Ltd for the refurbishment of the lobby at the ARC for £10,245. It was agreed that protective mats for beer barrel supply should be discussed with The Arlebury.

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**25/027 COMMUNITY COMMITTEE**

- a. It was confirmed that there are no amendments requested to the Terms of Reference from the Committee.
- b. **RESOLVED:** To postpone the event in the park to Summer 2026.

**25/028 CO-OPTION**

The Council resolved to exclude the press and public to discuss the cooption and invited the press and public back into the meeting for the vote. The Council did not co-opt the candidate.

**25/029 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)).*

**25/030 STAFFING COMMITTEE**

**RESOLVED:** To approve the two proposals recommended by the Staffing Committee related to a member of staff's terms of employment.

**25/031 WEST STREET PROJECT**

The scope of the project was discussed and the next actions agreed.

**25/032 YOUTH FOOTBALL**

The proposal was agreed in principle.

**25/033 ALREBURY PARK MATTERS**

- a. The Council discussed the next actions related to ATFC discussions.
- b. The Council agreed the next actions related to the Men's Shed Project.
- c. The Council agreed the next actions related to the rights of way and west field lease matters.

The meeting closed at 9.35 pm

Chairman .....

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