

NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN 2025

Hello everyone. I hope that you have all had a great summer and I am pleased to be able to introduce to you our penultimate newsletter of the Year, updating you on recent parish activity.

Bookings and enquiries at the village hall are varied and plentiful. Since reopening we have been used as a location for a forthcoming ITV drama 'After the Flood', meeting space for the National Trust, a variety of yoga classes, parties, pop up art exhibition, tuition classes, business coaching, weddings and photo shoots.

We have over 400 followers on our new Instagram account (netheralderleyvillagehall), which is in no small part due to the efforts of Cllr. Rachel Horsefield.

Our broadband is up and running and we will shortly be introducing an online booking system which will make life much easier for us all!

We have, after a number of setbacks finally completed work on our Neighbourhood Plan, and following independent examination and a local referendum we expect it to be adopted by the LPA which will finally bring it into force as part of the statutory development plan.

We recently lobbied Ward Councillor Anthony Harrison regarding the state of the pavement at Congleton Road from the Eagle Gates to Monks Heath crossroads, which are dangerously overgrown, making access difficult. This is an issue that we have long been aware of, and which was raised again by a resident last month and something we continue to push with Cheshire East.

During September we hope to appoint a new Parish Clerk due to the imminent retirement of David Naylor our current Clerk. Joining the Council in April 2022 David has been a massive asset, bringing a wealth of experience and knowledge to the role, and I wish him a long and happy retirement,

Best wishes

Lesley Gleave Chair NAPC

Community Christmas Tree

For the first time Nether Alderley will have its own Christmas Tree! The National Trust are kindly allowing the Parish Council to erect a large Christmas Tree on the land next to the Mill.

We are in the process of arranging for the tree to be erected by Cheshire East Council and hope to have it in place by late November. We are really excited about this and hope that it will provide a focus for Christmas celebrations in the village.



Post Box in Alderley Park

The issue of having a post box in Alderley Park has come up several times. Unfortunately, Royal Mail will not agree to this. The Parish Council have tried previously to persuade Royal Mail to agree but have met with refusal. This is on the grounds that there are two boxes within the specified distance from Alderley Park, namely at Monks Heath next to the Old Post Office and opposite the Mill in the hedge by Mill Cottage. The boxes are emptied each day except Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Lengthsman Required

The Parish Council wish to appoint a lengthsman, a person to undertake minor maintenance tasks around the parish such as path clearing, tidying bus stops hedge trimming, weeding, clearing minor debris, cleaning street signs, checking and clearing ditches and gullies.

The lengthsman would also be expected to identify and report any larger maintenance issues that require professional attention.

For more information about the role and an indication of hours and payscale please contact either:

Clerk – David Naylor
07717 244537 clerk.napc@gmail.com

Chair – Lesley Gleave
07547 410 338 lesleyg.napc@gmail.com

WARD COUNCILLOR UPDATE from Anthony Harrison



This summer has been eventful and full of success, with Alderley Park residents group winning their judicial review against the development of Symphony Park. I would like to thank the group, Marcus and Andrew for taking a lead on this.

I have also been busy working with Cheshire East Highways along Welsh Row and Artists Lane to ensure that all of our gullies and drains are maintained during these summer months to prevent localized flooding. We will also see improvements to the traffic lights at Alderley Park as a part of my rural road safety campaign, with work commencing in early September and continuing with a number of safety measures and upgrades throughout the winter. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you require any assistance:

Telephone: 07917 062489 **Email:** anthony.harrison@cheshireeast.gov.uk

The Role of a Parish Clerk

The key role for a Parish Clerk is to administer the affairs of a Parish Council, keeping accurate records of its activities which include keeping accurate accounting records. Some smaller Councils use spreadsheets for their accounts but most have a computer accounting package like we do, Scribe Accounts in our case in which we input all receipts and payments into cost and receipt coded "boxes" in the system. This enables the information to be extracted in many different formats and reports for Council members, our auditors and of course to keep our residents informed about what their precept is being spent on.

Another key role for the Clerk is to provide the agendas for the monthly Council meetings and write the minutes of these meetings. The meetings are open to members of the public and it is extremely important that our activities are as open and transparent as possible although we can exclude the public from a part of our meetings where we need to discuss personal information. All our minutes and agendas are published on our notice boards and website the Thursday before the meeting is held on the second Tuesday of each month. The Clerk's role in the Council meetings is to ensure that the decisions taken by the Council are legal and comply with our standing orders which govern them. The Clerk is there to assist in any debate but not to lead it or promote their own opinions unless they relate to complying with the correct process.

The Clerk is also the key contact for the Council receiving communications by email, letter, social media or phone, keeping Council members informed and actioning the requests although Council members themselves can also action them.

Our key aim is to be as open, friendly and helpful as possible and to always treat our customers as we ourselves would like to be treated. If we cannot help we will direct the issue to someone who can and in many cases take up the case on their behalf. We are very conscious that a good reputation is very important, it can take many years to create but can be quickly lost by neglecting our residents.

The Clerk works in close contact with the Council Chair and Vice Chair in preparing agendas and in the general running of the Council. Council members take decisions by a majority vote at Council meeting and the Chair has a casting vote in case of a tie.

Our home is a Grade II* listed building (the Nether Alderley Village Hall) and we are proud of it and the extensive renovation we have managed to complete on behalf of our residents. The Clerk would normally work from home because the Hall is hired out for a wide range of activities but he or she can work from there when it is not in use - it has super-fast broadband and a cloud voice phone system.

We are also statutory consultees for Cheshire East Council on all local planning applications and are in the latter stages of competing our Neighbourhood Plan with its Design Codes and Guidance. This will become part of the planning decision framework at Cheshire East which will guide development in our Parish and inform developers.

As for me, David Naylor the current Parish Clerk, I have spent 60 years in public service and will be retiring this year (for the fourth time!) I have to say I will miss Nether Alderley but this will be tempered because I will sign up as regular volunteer helper to the Parish Council.

Remembrance

The Parish Council are hoping to mark Remembrance Day in a positive way by decorating Alderley Cross with a blanket of poppies and lamp posts and telephone poles with giant poppies. This will mark what we owe to our Armed Forces both past and present. In an increasingly uncertain world, it seems even more important that we should remember the devastating effects of conflict.



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What's going on in your Village Hall

MONDAY

Yoga with Monika @Mon.Grochowska

Starting Monday 22nd September and then every Monday in the Upstairs room - 6.45pm-8pm

Yoga with Helen Lewis @yoga-with-helsie

Starting Monday 29th September and then every Monday in the main hall - 7pm-8.15pm

TUESDAY

Yoga with Jo @bahajo_yoga

Every Tuesday - 6.45pm-7.45pm

WEDNESDAY

Clever Clogs Dog Training @claire83dog

Every Wednesday - 6.15pm

Kids Yoga with Monika @Mon.Grochowska

Starting 5th November

Every Wednesday - 3.45pm-5pm

THURSDAY

Yin Yang Yoga with Lucy Watson @LucyWatsonYoga

Every Thursday - 6pm-7.10pm

SATURDAY

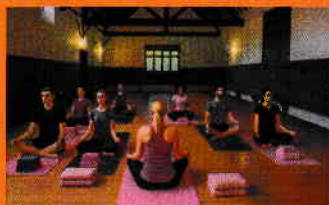
Maths Tuition with Mr Walton @mwmathstuition75

Select Saturdays

Tune in Thursday

Tune in to your best self with some **Yin Yang Yoga** with **Lucy Watson** @LucyWatsonYoga 6pm-7.10pm followed by a beautiful sound bath session with **Helen Grumby** @Sensing_Samadhi 7.45pm-9pm

- Thurs 4th September
- Thurs 18th September
- Thurs 2nd October
- Thurs 16th October
- Thurs 13th November
- Thurs 27th November
- Thurs 4th December
- Thurs 18th December



Sunday Re-set

Monthly Sunday 2 hour re-set through **Yin & Reiki** with **Lucy Watson**

- Sun 19th October
- Sun 16th November
- Sun 7th December
- Sun 18th January

Special Taster Workshops

with **Monika** @Mon.Grochowska

- **Thursday 13th November** 9.15am-11am
A taster session of Yin Yoga with Monika
- **Friday 14th November** 1.30am-12.45pm
A taster session of Restorative Yoga with Monika

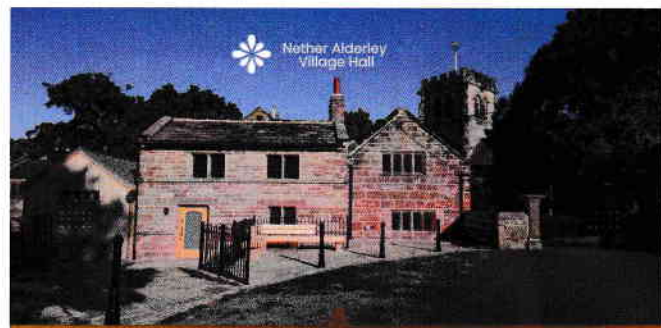
Christmas Special Events

• **Saturday 6th December**

Join us for our Christmas Fair where we've got lots of local businesses ready to help you fulfil every need on your Xmas gift list

• **Friday 12th December** 7-9pm

Join us for wreaths, wine and good times with a lovely evening of wreath making with Jo
Wine and mince pies included



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CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING

Friday 12th December
7-9pm
£55 per person
(all materials included)

Enjoy a fun evening creating your own beautiful wreath!

Glass of wine or soft drink, and a mince pie included

Places are limited - book in advance DM to secure your spot

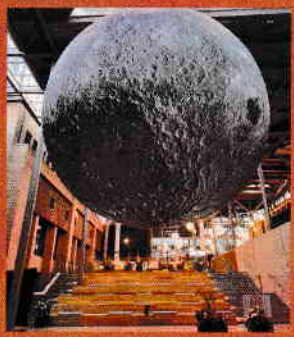

THE CHURCHILL TREE

Every Friday night from 5pm

Steak Night

Enjoy two 8oz sirloin steaks accompanied by fries, salad & a bottle of wine all for just **£50**

Simply choose between our house red, white or rose wine & tell your server how you'd like your steak cooked... we'll do the rest!



See the Moon

like never before this September at the Glasshouse in Alderley Park. Luke Jerram's world-famous Museum of the Moon is lighting up the Glasshouse from 1st-20th September, offering a breathtaking lunar experience with surround sound and stunning detail from NASA imagery. Entry to view is completely free so pop along and get starstruck.

Senior Socials Club
LAST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH

3 Course Meal & Entertainment includes a drink on arrival
£20 per person
Arrive 2pm / Dine at 2.30pm
Bookings Only

25th SEPTEMBER 2025
The Crown & Conspirator (Bramhall)
0161 401 1026
info@crownandconspirator.co.uk

30th OCTOBER 2025
The Space Invader (Goostrey)
01477 613115
info@thespaceinvaderpub.co.uk

27th NOVEMBER 2025
The Shady (Tiverton)
01829 730008
info@theshadypub.co.uk

29th JANUARY 2026
The Churchill Tree (Alderley Park)
01625 322449
info@thechurchilltree.co.uk

26th FEBRUARY 2026
The King William (Wilmslow)
01625 524022
info@kingwilliam.pub

26th MARCH 2026
The Harrington (Gawsworth)
07716 862699
info@harringtonarms.co.uk

In other community news:

There are Celebrations for the residents group Protect Our Park as the High Court quashes plans for a Care Home.

"We are delighted that common sense prevailed and the High Court quashed the planning permission for this huge overbearing retirement village. The Residents of the park really came together and fought this overdevelopment. Alderley Park is a truly unique place to live and needs preserving"

Andrew Morgan and Marcus Raphael co Chairs of Protect Our Park.

Your Parish Councillors

The members are:

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To raise any issues please don't hesitate to contact any of us.




We welcome other ideas to enhance our newsletter for the benefit of all residents. Please send any ideas / wishes / articles to:

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We look forward to hearing from you.

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