# **Nether Alderley Parish Council**

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September 2025

## **Meeting Summons**

**Dear Councillors** 

I hereby give notice that the Parish Council Meeting will be held at the Nether Alderley Village Hall.

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2025 at 6.30pm

All members of the Council are hereby summoned for the purpose of discussing and resolving upon the business to be transacted at the Meeting as set out hereunder.

**David Naylor** 

Clerk to Nether Alderley Parish Council

## Nether Alderley Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2025

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. To receive apologies for absence.
- 2. To receive Declarations of Interests
  - 2.1 To declare disclosable pecuniary interests (Councillors with disclosable pecuniary interest(s) must leave the room for the relevant items).
  - 2.2 To declare interests conflicting with the Nolan principles/non-pecuniary interests.
  - 2.3 To allow Councillors to consider amendments required to their Declaration of Pecuniary Interest forms.
- 3. To consider and approve Applications for Dispensations
- **4.** To RESOLVE to approve that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2025 as a correct record.
- 5. Public Presentation

To *adjourn* the meeting to receive representation from members of the Nether Alderley Parish.

To resume the meeting.

**6. Filling the Vacancy for the Parish Clerk**. Interviews were held on the 16<sup>th</sup> September. The interview panel recommended the appointment of Gill Ayres. Gill will commence work on the on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October. The Clerk is on holiday the 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> October and will meet her at the Village Hall 1.30pm on the 23<sup>rd</sup> to start the process of bringing her up to speed on NAPC issues and systems. In the meantime he will send her the October Agenda and papers, Standing Orders and Financial Regulation and her Job Contract, the latter following member approval. The Clerk will work with her until the November Council meeting and will remain available to assist her with any issues in the future.

#### 7. Neighbourhood Plan Progress

This is currently in the Section 12 consultation period organised by Cheshire East Council until 20<sup>th</sup> October. Following this, any amendments will be considered before the Plan, Design Codes and Guidance, Basic Conditions and Consultation Statements are sent to the independent inspector. The latter step will be the forerunner of the Local Referendum.

- 8. Net Budget Provision 01/04/25 to 31/10/25 and Bank Reconciliation Enclosure 1 in the Agenda Documents Pack. This is an accurate budget position statement up to the end of October because all payments and receipts will have been approved up to that date at this Council meeting. The report continue to show a very health budget situation which will allow the Council to fulfill its program of capital works and also keep within its revenue spending budget and achieve a surplus to populate next year's ear marked and general reserves. In terms of Village Hall Hire income the Clerk will provide a forecast at the meeting regarding the period November 2025 to March 2026 to add to the actual income shown in the above Net Budget Position Report.
- 9. Approval of the VAT Claim for the month of August Enclosure 2 in the Agenda Documents Pack.

#### 10. Annual Governance and Accountability Review (AGAR)

The external auditor has reported a clean audit and the Exercise of Public Rights from 30<sup>th</sup> September is displayed on our three notice boards and the website. **Enclosure 3 the Agenda Documents Pack** provides this evidence which will be required for the Internal Audit submission in April/May next year.

#### 11. Finance Schedule (Appendix A)

- 11.1 To note receipt of income, as listed in schedule (A1)
- 11.2 To approve items for payments as listed in schedule (A2)
- 11.3 To approve direct debit/standing order as listed in schedule (A3)
- 11.4 To consider and approve the Clerk's expenses as listed in schedule (A4)

#### 12. Broadband at the Village Hall.

The full-fibre Broadband and the Cloud Voice phone system at the Village Hall are both working well. The Clerk will report on progress in purchase of a basic smart phone for the Caretaker and the potential to have a pop up display for guest users of the broadband regarding its acceptable use and perhaps a blocking of adult sites.

#### 13. Planning Applications Click on the links in Blue to Access the Application Docs

Application No:	<u>25/3701/HOUS</u>
Proposal	Ground and first floor side extension with internal reconfiguration to provide an additional ensuite bedroom and open-plan kitchen, dining and family area as well as a break-out games room located within the existing garage.
Location	Gardeners Cottage, 4 Pavilion Drive, Nether Alderley, Macclesfield, Cheshire East, SK10 4YU
Response Deadline	05-11-2025

Application No:	25/3589/PIP
Proposal:	Permission in principal for the erection of 2no. dwelling houses with associated external works, car parking and landscaping.
Location:	Land Adjacent To Cross Cottage, Chelford Road, Nether Alderley, Macclesfield, SK10 4SY
Response Deadline	15-10-2025

Application No:	25/3534/HOUS
Proposal:	Provision of a car port for two vehicles to replace a former detached garage.
Location:	Langdale Congleton Road, Alderley Edge, Cheshire East, SK9 7AD
Response Deadline	22-10-2025

Application No:	<u>25/3513/CLPUD</u>
Proposal:	Certificate of Lawful Use / Development - Proposed
Location:	Wyche Farm Soss Moss, Nether Alderley, Macclesfield, Cheshire East, SK10 4TU
Response Deadline	07-10-2025

Application No:	25/3423/FUL
Proposal:	Construction of two detached dwellings with new access (renewal of <a href="20/1390M">20/1390M</a> & <a href="23/1864M">23/1864M</a> ).
Location:	Holme Acre Congleton Road, Alderley Edge, Cheshire East, SK9 7AL
Response Deadline	14-10-2025

# 14. To consider any other Planning matters including decisions on Planning Applications:

#### **25/2289/FUL** - Refused

Proposal: Storage Building

Location: Field Southwest Of Bollington Lane, Nether Alderley, Cheshire East,

Decision Date: 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025

#### 25/3419/PRIOR-6 - Prior Approval Not Required

Proposal: Prior Approval: Agricultural and Forestry Development

Prior approval for new agricultural road.

Location: Land South Of Artists Lane, Nether Alderley, Cheshire East, SK10 4UA

Decision Date: 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025

#### 15. The Scribe Hall Booking System Diary

The Clerk will provide an update on progress and a potential go live date. All customer codes with their discounts, venues and fees are now in the system and have been approved by Scribe following a request by the Clerk for them to log and confirm.

The system is very automated with a customer booking form which will populate the booking system and when approved will update Scribe Accounts and generate an invoice by email.

Scribe uses "Stripe Payments" which is fully integrated into their system and when payments have been made the booking system and scribe accounts will be updated as paid making bank reconciliation more easy. Stripe is very similar to Sum up and other payments systems in incurring a transaction fee 1.5% + 20p for standard UK cards and requires an account to be set up in Stripe. Payments would be made into this account and funds would be transferred to the Parish Council account within 7-10 days. There is no upfront fee only the transaction fee.

- **16. Village Hall Marketing Group.** A progress report will be provided at the meeting including feedback from users and progress with the Christmas Fair. Also see **Minute 8** above showing the current Village Hall Hiring projected income on current booking up to the end of October plus those currently in the diary November to March.
- **17. Advert for the Lengthsperson.** An update will be provided at the meeting following a response from company willing to be involved.

- **18. Demonstration of the Aubergine Website** A date has been arranged for **Friday 10**<sup>th</sup> **October at 2.00 pm** at the Village Hall and via Teams. For those who cannot come to the Village Hall the Clerk will also provide them a link to Teams. The Clerk will also record the meeting. Aubergine will also deal with the .Gov.UK URL changes.
- **19. Office 365 and SharePoint.** Following approval at the last meeting this will be progressed by the Clerk following the Aubergine Website demonstration.
- **20. New Notice Boards.** This is being progressed with the Clerk in consultation with the PCC. in relation to the Parish Hall notice board
- **21. New Boundary Signs.** Now that Bank line is now up and running the Clerk will order the three signs via an on line payment.
- **22.** Review of where we are with Social Media Management an update will be provided at the meeting.
- 23. Councillor's reports and items for future agenda

  Councillors may use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas (not for debate or decision making).
- 24. To confirm the next Council meeting is

## Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2025 6.30pm at Nether Alderley Village Hall

#### **APPENDIX A**

## Nether Alderley Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2025

## **Schedule of Receipts and Payments**

#### A1. Receipt of Income - Month of September for October

**Bank Interest** 

**Current Account Interest Nill** 

<u>Unity Trust Bank at the end of September (interest Paid Quarterly)</u> £128.15

Reserve Account. end of September £0.48

Vat Claim Reclaim for August £331.55

#### A2. Invoices for payment Now all on line by NatWest BankLine

On-line Payments	Provider	Total Cost	Net of VAT	Service Provided	VAT	Power
Oct. Clerks Salary & Expenses	D. Naylor Parish Clerk	£1,067.19	£1,017.45	Salary and Expenses see A4 below for a detailed breakdown	£49.74	Н
Oct. Clerk Refund of payment to Hall Cleaner	D. Naylor	£75.00	£75.00	Test of on line payment to Clerk having paid cleaner.	£0.00	Н
Oct. HMRC	HMRC	£512.23	£512.23	Clerk's Tax £418.00 & NI £94.23	£0.00	Н
Oct. V. Hall Caretaker.	David Fairbotham	£228.000	£228.00	Village Hall Caretaking 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct Invoice	£0.00	Н
Oct. Audit Fees	PKF Littlejohn LLP	£2,016. 00	£1,680.00	External Audit Fees	£336.00	Н
Oct. Autumn Newsletter	Print IT (Northwest) Ltd.	£373.54	£373.54	Set up and Print Autumn Newsletter	£0.00	Н
Oct. Payroll	Shires Accountants	£145.80	£121.50	Oct 25 - April 26 Fees	£24.30	Н

Oct. Village Hall Hire Refund	J Taylor	£36.00	£36.00	Village Hall overpayment by Hirer of £36.00	£0.00	Н
Oct. TV Licence	Tvlicensing .co.uk	£174.50	£174.50	TV Licence for Village Hall (Exempt from VAT)	£0.00	Н
Bank Transfer	From Current Account to Unity Trust Bank to keep within the £85.000 Financial Services Protection Guarantee Limit Total in NatWest Current and Reserve Accounts and £111,096.01 and £519.95 respectively = £111,615.96. £27,000 to transfer.					

### A3. Direct Debits/Standing Orders for approval

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Provider	Total Cost	Net of VAT	Service Provided	VAT	Power
ВТ	£65.94	£54.95	September Broadband and Cloud Voice	£10.99	Н
ВТ	£65.94	£54.95	Octoberr Broadband and Cloud Voice	£10.99	Н
Scribe Accounts	£27.60	£23.00	Scribe Accounts Monthly	£4.60	Н
<b>Gas</b> Invoice Crown Gas & Power	£197.48	£188.08	Sept (Oct bill)	£9.40@ 5%	Н
<b>Gas</b> Invoice Crown Gas & Power	£97.17	£92,54	August (Sept bill)	£4.63@ 5%	Н
<b>Gas</b> Invoice Crown Gas & Power	£98.87	£94.16	July (August I)	£4.17@ 5%	Н
Electricity Invoice	No October	bill yet for Se	ptember		
Electricity Invoice Crown Gas & Power	£72.81	£69.34	August (Sept bill)	£3.47@ 5%	Н
Electricity Invoice Crown Gas & Power	£77.25	£73.57	July (August bill)	£3.68@ 5%	Н
NatWest Bank Line	£20.00	£20.00	Bank Charges	£0.00	Н

# A4. <u>Approval to forward to Payroll provider for inclusion in Payroll Report for expenses/salary</u>: Power H

Travel 148 Miles @ 45 pence per mile = £66.60
Phone Sim monthly £13.19 plus £2.64 VAT = £15.83
Cleaning Maid Easy 12<sup>th</sup> September Payment = £75.00 (No VsAT)
1TB External Storage Drive £62.49 plus 12.50 VAT = £74.99
Poppy Factory Wreaths £151.33 plus £30.27 VAT = £181.60
Cartridge Discount £15.39 plus £3.08 VAT = £18.47
Printing Paper £6.25 plus1.25 VAT = £7.50

Total Expenses £390.25 + £49.74 = £439.99 Plus, Salary - Contracted 65 hours @ 16.08 per hour = £1,045.20 (Gross) Total Gross including expenses = £1,435.45 plus £49.74 VAT = £1,485.19 Less £418.00 Tax = £1017.45 plus £49.74 = £1,067.19

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Chairman of Meeting Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

## Parish Council Powers for Expenditure and Activity

### Note that the Parish Council has adopted the Power of Competence

Audit [Audit Regulations 1996]				
<b>Benches</b> Power to provide and maintain roadside seats and shelters [Parish Councils Act 1957, s.1]	K			
Burial Grounds, Cemeteries and Crematoria Power to acquire, provide and maintain [Open Spaces Act 1906, ss9 and 10]	A			
Power to agree to maintain monuments and memorials Parish Councils and Burial Authorities (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1970, s.1	В			
Power to provide and maintain and Power to contribute towards expenses of cemeteries Local Government Act 1972, s.214 Local Authorities Cemeteries Order 1977 (no 204) C1 Memorials (16 (1) (a) and 16 2 (b))	С			
Bus Shelters Power to provide and maintain shelters Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1953, s.4 Parish Councils Act 1957, s.1	D			
Crime prevention Local Government and Rating Act 1997 s31, Crime and Disorder Act 2000	Q			
Community Centres Power to provide and equip community buildings [Local Government Act 1972, s.133]	E			
Power to provide buildings for clubs having athletic, social or educational objectives Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s.19	F			
Power to provide a range of recreational facilities [Local Government (Misc Provisions) Act 1975 s19	G			
<b>General Administration/Running Costs</b> Subsidiary powers of local authorities – to facilitate, or conducive or incidental to, the discharge of functions LGA 1972 s111	Н			
<ol> <li>LGA 1972 s 142 " arrange for the delivery of lectures and addresses and the holding of discussions on such matters - provision of information etc relating to matters affecting local government</li> <li>s133 'Power to provide buildings for public meetings and assemblies or contribute towards the expenses of providing such buildings'</li> <li>LGA 1972 S111</li> </ol>	K			
Litter bins Provision of litter bins [Litter Act 1983, ss 5, 6]	L			
Neighbourhood Plans [Localism Act 2011 Sch 9]	R			
Research and collection of information Power to carry out research [LGA 1972 S 141]	M			
Parish Plans [LGA 1972 S 141]	J			
Section 137 Local Government Act 1972. Power of Local Authorities to incur expenditure for certain purposes not othe authorised. Power to do something that will benefit the community where there is no other specific provering the action; Set at £8.12 per elector in 2019/20. Expenditure must be commensurate with the benefit				
Websites Local Government Act 1972 s142	Р			
<b>Life-saving appliances</b> – Power to provide life-saving appliances (e.g. life belts, defibrillators) [Public Health Act 1936, s234]	S			