

Parish Council of Alfrick and Lulsley
Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council Meeting on
13th April 2026 at 19:00 hrs in the Village Hall, Alfrick.

Present: Cllr T. Clarke, Cllr S V Glazzard, Cllr Hayward, Cllr Prodger, Cllr Golden-Laydon, Cllr Messervy-Whiting, Cllr N. Catlow, R. Timney (Clerk)

Public Question Time and reports prior to the formal meeting.

Dist Cllr Whatley has resigned as a District Councillor – the PC wish to record their thanks for his service and sound advice over the years.

Cllr Rouse submitted an update on local matters.

1. Members' Apologies and Declarations of Interests.

Former Dist Cllr Whatley, County Cllr McSweeney. Cllr G . Lowe.

No additional interests declared.

2. Minutes of the meetings held on 12th March 2026 **APPROVED**

3. Cooption of a new Parish Councillor.

Amy Lane was elected by councillors to be the coopted replacement for former Cllr Ashton.

4. Financial Matters;

Finance Report 12th March 2026 to 31st March 2026

Expenditure

Date	To whom	For what	Amount
17/3/2026	Lloyds	Bank charges	4.25
27/3/2026	JS	Lengthsman	47.15
27/3/2026	HMRC	PAYE	268.73
30/3/2026	RT	Clerks salary	313.26

Income

Date	From whom	For what	Amount
24/3/2026	WCC	LM	198.00
25/3/2026	WCC	Grass upgrade project	900.00

Bank balances 31st March 2026

Treasurers account £ 8028.98

Instant access account £ 28171.43

Total **£ 36,200.41** **APPROVED**

5. Lengthsman, John Sutton submitted a report on his work. NOTED with thanks.

Crossroad signs at Upper Houses are worn out and need replacing and gulleys at Cruise Hill are all blocked – the Lengthsman will take forward.

6. Updates.

Bus Stop Notice Board – further consideration will be given.

Tennis Court surround netting – will be installed in the next month.

Defib and Bleed Kit sign – permission given by the shop for use of their post. Sign will be installed in the next month.

7. **Bench base for the Spinney.** Cllrs will see how the existing base works and ask the maintenance team to manage the matter for now.

8. **Local questionnaire** update and printing. Cllr Catlow will supply numbered surveys for printing and distribution.

9. **Upgrade to playing field grass surface.** Works will start in the coming month by MCB with welcome funding coming from Cllr McSweeney and Cllr Rouse.

Clerk to seek the support of the Dog Warden from MHDC to take on people who do not deal with their dog waste properly in the Playing Field.

10. **Boules Court Review.** Cllrs were pleased to learn that two groups are already making use of the court and more may follow.

A Boule group meet at 11 am on Saturdays for this social activity.

11. **Telecommunication challenges for Alfrick.** The installation of loaned equipment from Worcestershire County Council should take place shortly at the Community Shop - enabling boosted internet coverage for a radius of up to 3 miles including the playing field, The Alfrick Show and the heart of Alfrick Parish.

12. **Policy Review and adoption.** Policies for Council IT, Councillors Code of Conduct and Data Protection were adopted with further reviews planned.

13. **PC Nomination to the Alfrick Village Hall Committee** – Cllr Glazzard Nominated.

14. **Planning.** M/25/01882/HP Location: Forge Cottage, Alfrick Pound, WR6 5HA
Proposed single storey link extension, new chimney and velux windows to existing roof, and regularise the conversion of outbuilding to ancillary use (part retrospective). **Cllrs resolved not to comment on this application.**

15. **Clerk's Report** - The War Memorial repairs to the base will be the subject of a meeting between the Stone Mason and the Monuments Officer at MHDC in the near future.

The Clerk has visited the PC's solicitors to see property documents and seek copies for records. The Clerk was asked if Zak Atkins can provide a simple report about his duties around the village and Spinney.

16. **Items for the next meeting** Play Area Annual Inspection arrangements.

17. **Confirm date of next meeting.** Proposed Wed 13th May 2026 as the Parish Annual Meeting