

Councillor Surgeries

Got a burning question, or not sure where to go for advice? Want to meet a councillor to discuss things? From January 2026 we're holding monthly drop-ins for residents on the last Friday of every month here at the Parish Council meeting room, 10am-12noon. Starting things off will be Council Chairman, Guy Purser, on Friday 30th January 2026.



New Office opening hours



We're extending our opening days and times to give more opportunity for residents to call in. We're now open from 10am to 2.30pm Tuesday to Friday (closed Mondays). You can find the Clerk or Deputy Clerk in the office if you want to visit in person, or call us on 01243 263330, or email office@aldwickparishcouncil.gov.uk. Heather is in every day and Alison is in on Wednesdays and Fridays. If you can't make the office times, let us

know and an appointment can be arranged. From time to time, we may be out and about in the parish or at meetings, so may have to close the office occasionally. If you're not sure where the Parish Council is, we're right behind the Willowhale Library and Willowhale Community Centre, off Pryors Lane, at the far end of the car park.

Remembrance Day



The Parish Council will mark Armistice Day as usual, on Tuesday 11th November 2025, with a short, secular service in the Millennium Garden off Pryors Lane. All are welcome to join us for the simple wreath laying ceremony and two minute silence and should assemble by 10.50am. We are usually joined by representatives of local armed forces services, veterans and cadet groups who help us to commemorate this important day. A hot drink will be available afterwards in our meeting room. The Order of Service will be available on the day.

Dementia Advice Bus

If you missed it last month, the bus is back here on Thursday 13th November, offering advice and support about dementia. It will be in the car park at Pryors Lane (behind Grove House Surgery, Library, Community Centre and Parish Council) 10am-12pm. Drop in to speak to a Wayfinder about dementia or visit www.dementiasupport.org.uk/bus for more information.



Apply for 2026 school places



If your child is due to start reception at primary and infant school next year, and you haven't yet applied for their school place, you need to do so by 15th January 2026. Children born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022 are eligible to start school next September. Children who are currently in Year 2 at infant school will also need to apply for a place to start a junior school next September. Visit www.westsussex.gov.uk to apply

online. You can also use any West Sussex library for free use of a computer, or if you need a form to be posted or emailed call 033 301 42903.

Council Meeting dates Please check our website for meeting details in case of changes. <u>Planning Committee, all 7pm</u> - Tuesday 4^{th} November, Tuesday 2^{th} November, Tuesday 2^{nd} December. Full Council meetings $\overline{7pm}$ if there is no Planning Committee meeting but at $\overline{7.15pm}$ if preceded by a Planning Committee meeting.



<u>Full Council</u> - Tuesday 25th November, Tuesday 16th December.