Aldwick Parish Council Newsletter – October 2026

Quick Autumn updates! We hope you've had a lovely summer. Here's a brief roundup of some recent council activity as we head into autumn and budget setting discussions: ♦We're on **Facebook** now, do take a look and follow us if you use social media, link https://www.facebook.com/people/Aldwick-Parish-Council/61593322557421/# and also via our website. ♦**Business Plan / Survey** – thanks to all who completed this, all returns from the community are being evaluated and will inform our ongoing business plan development, watch this space, our website and Facebook page for future news. ♦**R C Sherriff Blue Plaque** – discussions around the final resting place are imminently taking place with the R C Sherriff Trust, following relocation of the plaque from the former Sandmartins property. ♦**Bathing Water Quality** – We've helped facilitate Aldwick & Bognor Regis area stakeholder meetings with Southern Water. These are an opportunity for us with other parish/town councils and community representatives to talk directly with Southern Water about the causes of local problems, hear what's being done to address issues, discuss latest data, and ask pertinent questions. As well as hosting these, we've been the venue for two other Southern Water meetings, one for the MP meeting with local residents and another for Southern Water to meet with Barrack Lane residents about plans for a replacement overflow relief pipe there – work starts from 5th October. ♦**Skateboard coaching and sports sessions** - We've had some great feedback from residents so far about the free children's activities we arranged at Avisford and Queens Field parks this summer. Did your family or someone you know join these? What was good, what could be better? Let us know what you think at office@aldwickparishcouncil.gov.uk. ♦**Councillor Surgeries** – held every last Friday of the month since January - Drop in on Friday 30th October 10am-12pm.

Dementia Advice Bus
The Community Wayfinder Advice Bus is at Pryors Lane car park on Thursday 8th October, 10am-12pm, offering professional support and advice.



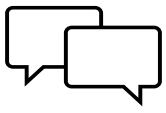
Bin for the Win -prevent blocked pipes! In May 2027 wet wipes containing plastic will be banned in the UK. It's a great step forward in protecting the environment from harmful microplastics but did you know that wet wipes shouldn't be flushed, even the ones that say they're flushable or biodegradable? By early summer, Southern Water had cleared over 1,600 blockages in Sussex. Often labelled as flushable, they aren't truly, and aren't biodegradable in the system, so still block pipes and lead to flooding at home or in your street. They do make life easier, but they should be in the bin, not down the loo!



Remembrance Day: We will mark Armistice Day as usual on Wednesday 11th November – public are welcome to join us at 10.45am for the short service of remembrance and wreath laying at the Millennium Gardens war memorial.



Christmas Tree: We know, it seems too early to mention it yet! But we thought you'd like to know that plans are underway for the annual lit Christmas tree at Rose Green in late November, and we're hoping to make it more of an event this year – keep an eye on our website, socials and notice boards!



Council Meetings: Please check our website for details in case of changes. Public are welcome to attend, and there's an item for public questions on agenda items. **Planning Committee, Tuesdays, 7pm** - 6th October and 3rd November. **Full Council, Tuesdays, 7pm** - 20th October and 17th November.

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