ALFRISTON PARISH COUNCIL

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All members of the Parish Council are summoned to a meeting of Alfriston Parish Council to be held in the Alfriston War Memorial Hall on **Monday 19th May 2025 following the Annual Meeting.**

*Please note that a digital sound recording is made of all meetings of Alfriston Parish Council including Public Questions sessions. The recording is not for publication and used only to aid accurate minute taking.*

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Mrs Suzanna Dry CiLCA – Clerk & RFO\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**AGENDA**

**16. Chair’s Welcome**

**17. Public Questions**

**18. Apologies for absence**

**19. Update from MP**

**20. Update from Cllr Stephen Shing – East Sussex County Council**

**21. Update from Cllr David Greaves - Wealden District Council**

**22. Declaration of interest**

**23. Minutes**

To agree as a true record the minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held on 14th April 2025.

To agree as a true record the minutes of the APC Finance meeting held on 22nd April 2025.

To agree as a true record the minutes of the APC Personnel meeting held on 22nd April 2025

To agree as a true record the minutes of the APC monthly meeting held on 28th April 2025.

**24. Finance**

To approve the Statement of Finances for May 2025. (**Appendix A**)

**25. Report back on V.E. Day Celebrations - Monday 5th May 2025.**

Cllr Daw to give a verbal report.

**26. Consultation on East Sussex Freight & Rail Strategies**

Cllrs to agree on APC’s response to the consultations.

**27. SLCC National Conference – October 14th & 15th**

To agree the Clerk’s attendance at this year’s Society for Local Council Clerk’s National Conference.

From 14th – 15th October, cost to be funded from the training\courses budget.

**28. Report on Highways & Twittens – Cllr Embry**

**29. Report on Allotments & Recreation Ground – Cllr Daw**

**30. Report on Public Transport – Cllr Harris**

**31. Report on Environment & Countryside – Cllr Harris**

**32. Report on Strategic Planning – Cllr Parkinson** .

Update on Emergency Plan

**33. Report on Tye – Cllr Spring.**

Update on repair to Tye Rd.

**34. Report from Planning Committee – Cllr Watkins**

**Ref. No: SDNP/24/02440/FUL -** Former Allotment Site, North St. Appeal

APC logged a new comment on the Appeal, endorsing the Historic Buildings Officer’s report.

**Ref. No: SDNP/25/00989/FUL -** The Tudor House, High St., BN26 5SY. No objection

Internal & external alterations. APC logged their concern at a loss of retail space.

**Ref. No: SDNP/25/01585/FUL & 01586/LIS -** Ye Olde Smuggler’s Inne, Waterloo Sq. No objection

Upper floor guest room & access from courtyard.

**Ref. No: SDNP/25/01512/HUS -** Danny Cottage, Winton St. BN26 5UJ. No objection

Erection of single storey garden room.

**Ref. No: SDNP/25/01501/CND -** Pyewacket, 19 Deans Rd, BN26 5XJ No objection

Change of condition 3 (materials).

34.2.2 Applications notified or awaiting decision from SDNPA

**Ref. No: SDNP/25/01006/LIS -** Winton Barn, Winton St, BN26 5UJ. Approved

Internal alterations.

34.3 Enforcement updates from SDNPA - None

**35. Reports from Outside Bodies**

228.1 Heartstart

228.2 Alfriston Emergency Group

228.3 Flood Forum

228.4 Neighbourhood Watch

228.5 Twinning Committee (**Appendix B** )

228.6 St Andrew’s Church

228.7 Clergy House

228.8 Alfriston War Memorial Hall

228.9 Speedwatch

228.10 Events

**36. Correspondence to The Clerk – Asking for permission from the Council.**

Wedding Catering Van – 19th July 2025 (**Appendix C** )

Southdowns Music Festival - 15-20th July 2025 (**Appendix D**).

**37. Public Questions**

**38. Date of next meeting –** to be held **on Monday 16th June 2025** in the AWMH at 7:15pm.

Please see Appendices attached below and\or on the website.

**Appendix A - Statement of Finances for May 2025**



**Appendix B - Twinning Committee Report**

Alfriston and Cuckmere Valley Twinning Association

Please come along to our next informal event,

**Seaford Seafront Stroll**

**10 am Tuesday 17th June 2025**

**Meet at the Buckle Car Park**

We’ll walk and chat, then go for a coffee somewhere.

We have members in the Cuckmere Valley, Alfriston and Seaford.New members are always welcome, and there is no need to speak French, or to have a huge house- just come along and say hello!

Robert Morrison is our membership secretary: [rmorri1847@aol.com](mailto:rmorri1847@aol.com)

**Appendix C - Wedding Request**

**From:** CASTRO-GONZALEZ, Marie <

**Sent:** 22 April 2025 09:00  
**To:** [clerk@alfristonparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@alfristonparishcouncil.org.uk)  
**Subject:** Application for use of the Tye

Hi there,

I hope you are well?

I am emailing to enquire how we can go about applying for use of part of the Tye on our Wedding day on the 19th July 2025.

We have caterers coming, who will need use of an outdoor area, and we were wondering if we could use a small area to the side of the Alfriston War Memorial Hall, where we will be getting married and having our reception.

Please could you advise how we could apply for this, please, or if there is any further information required in order for you to make this decision?

Kindest Regards

Marie

Marie Castro-Gonzalez

**Appendix D - Southdowns Music Festival Request**

Sent: 10 May 2025 10:38  
To: [clerk@alfristonparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@alfristonparishcouncil.org.uk) Subject: Southdowns Summer Music Festival

Dear Suzanna

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| |  | | --- | | The South Downs Summer Music festival returns to Alfriston between 15th and 20th July with another line up of first class musicians performing a wide variety of music. I believe that advance ticket sales are going well and of course St Andrews have once again agreed to open their doors to host the festival.  Folkington’s has again agreed to sponsor the event as it has done in previous years and part of our sponsorship package includes the serving of free gin and tonics and soft drinks to all ticket holders before the beginning of each evening concert from our mobile bar. In addition, we briefly reopen the bar, as we have always done, for about 30-40 minutes for the benefit of the visiting musicians at the end of the first night’s concert to have a quick (and much earned) drink before they head home.  So please may we have the Council’s permission to proceed on exactly the same lines as we have in previous years. I know that the Trustees and the Artistic Directors of the Festival will be very grateful for this consent. The bar will arrive some time on Tuesday 15th July and remain in place until Sunday 21st July or before. And we do of course hope that as many of the members of the Council will have time to attend the festival  We will of course as before supply you with a cope of our Public Liability Insurance and Risk Assessment.  Kind regards, Paul Bendit,Managing Director | |