

Meeting of Great Alne Parish Council was held at 7pm on Tuesday 18th March 2025 in The Conservatory, Maudslay House, Great Alne Park, Henley Road, B49 6HX

PRESENT	<p>Councillors Mr Ian Millard (Vice Chairman, chairing this meeting), Cllr Lynn Bowring and Cllr Ian Taylor.</p> <p>Also in attendance, Cllr Justin Kerridge.</p> <p>7 members of the public in attendance.</p>
1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	Cllr Louise Bennett and Cllr Thom Holmes, District Councillor from SDC.
2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS	None.
3. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES	Minutes from the January 2025 Parish Council Meeting minutes were approved by the Councillors.
	<i>ACTION: Minutes to be signed by the Chairman and filed by the Executive Officer.</i>
4.	<u>OPEN FORUM</u>
a. Representations from residents	<p>i) <i>Loud volume of bird scarers.</i></p> <p>A resident sent an email to GAPC raising concerns about the loud volume of bird scarers being used on local farms.</p> <p>The Executive Officer confirmed that this issue had been raised a couple of years ago by a resident of Great Alne Park and had been investigated by GAPC. The decibel level of the bird scarers is considered to be within the acceptable limit recommended by the NFU. The Executive Officer explained that the bird scarers are only used for a temporary period when the crops are starting to grow, and it is part and parcel of living in the countryside.</p> <p>ii) <i>Queries re fencing along Stroat Lane.</i></p> <p>A resident had contacted the Executive Officer about the barbed wire fencing that has been installed along Stroat Lane at the crossways between the Church Field and Rabbit Bank field. The Executive Officer has contacted the farmer/landowner who has installed the fence as 4x4 drivers are accessing the field and ruining the ground /crops. The farmer is also aware that horse riders continue to access Rabbit Bank field despite this not being a public footpath and a gate with signage being installed at the top of Park Lane to state no public right of way. The Executive Officer also explained that the farmer had dug a large bund/ditch along the 44-acre field on the other side of Pelham Lane to assist with the flooding issues – and since this was no longer accessible to the 4x4 riders, they were now using Rabbit Bank. The Executive Officer had enquired whether an alternative to barbed wire could be used due to concerns by residents about the potential for injury to dogs, children and horses, but the farmer said he had used barbed wire as in his experience, this was the only thing that stopped people still accessing the land despite fencing. The farmer</p>

	<p>commented that horse riders and walkers etc just walk on the land without any regard to the damage they might be causing especially this time of year when the ground is soft and have no regard to the time and effort required to remedy any damage. The Executive Officer had suggested putting up barbed wire signs on the new fencing to make it more obvious – which the farmer thought was a good idea.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>ACTION: Executive Officer will obtain appropriate signage and put it up on the fence.</p> </div>
b. Alcester South SNT & crime statistics update	<p>The Executive Officer provided a summary of the last weekly report provided by the Alcester SNT. This included a report of a Land Rover stolen off a drive on School Road two weeks ago by keyless entry. There have also been reports of small groups travelling from Alcester to Great Alne and acting suspiciously around properties.</p> <p>The Executive Officer notified residents of a bike marking event taking place at Alcester Police Station on 9 and 16 April from 6-8pm.</p>
c. County Councillor's Report	<p>Cllr Kerridge provided the following update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County Council elections are taking place on 1 May 2025. Cllr Kerridge confirmed he was standing for election. • The WCC Highways Community Action Fund has been launched. Applications are welcome for funding up to £25,000. Any amount applied for needs to be match funded and it is not possible to use the County Councillor's delegated budget to match fund. The fund is available for improvements to footpaths, signage, resurfacing, drainage and flood mitigation projects. The fund is available on a first come first served basis and the fund will be open until the money has run out. • Cllr Kerridge confirmed that following the elections there will be a new delegated budget available for the new county councillor.
d. District Councillor's Report	<p>The Executive Officer confirmed she had received a report from Cllr Holmes who was unable to attend the meeting. The Report is attached to these Minutes as Annex 1.</p>
e. GAKMH parish councillor representative's report	<p>Cllr Millard provided the following update from the February 2025 GAKMH meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The former Social Club is going to auction again at the end of March – there are discussions with a potential buyer over use of the car park etc. • There has been no progress made on EV chargers. • The trustees asked for feedback on the request for mowing costs to be met by GAPC and KPC at the next meeting [see agenda item 6(l) below]. • The flood in the kitchen has been repaired. • There will be a village produce show in August – entries are welcomed. • The dates for the Christmas events have now been set: • Other events include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Vibrant Village Talks – 27 March ○ AGM – 21 May ○ BBQ – 27 June
f. Update on Great Alne Park	<p>The update from Adam Hall, Village Manager at Great Alne Park related primarily to the planned resurfacing works of the road at the East Entrance. Cllr Millard agreed to discuss this at agenda item 6 (k) below.</p>

<p>g. Climate Action Group update</p> <p>i) SDC CCCF projects completion</p> <p>ii) Update on Greenway feasibility report</p> <p>h. Affordable Housing Update</p>	<p>The Executive Officer referred to the Reports prepared by Councillors in relation to the three projects for which GAPC had received funding from the SDC CCCF, which are required to be completed by 31 March 2025.</p> <p>These are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community led flood measures • Greenway proposal between Alcester and Great Alne • Rainwater harvesting structure <p>Other related projects include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community orchard planting <p>The Executive Officer confirmed that all three projects have now been completed before the deadline of 31 March and all expenditure has been invoiced and paid. There will be follow up reporting required by SDC at the beginning of the new financial year.</p> <p>Cllr Bowring provided an update on the revised version of the feasibility report for a Greenway between Great Alne and Alcester. This included an update on preferred route options, practicalities and next steps – which would include conversations and opportunities for networking with SDC and WCC and other sources of potential funding, and accessing central Government resources such as Active Travel England and the WCC Cycle Team (Steve Rumble) as well as Two Shires - who are also looking into routes between Alcester and Studley and Stratford, Broom and Evesham.</p> <p>Cllr Millard explained the latest developments on the Affordable Housing Project.</p> <p>He provided a summary of the South Warwickshire Local Plan (SWLP) and the Community Meeting that was held by GAPC on 15 February 2025 at the Memorial Hall to explain the potential impact of the SWLP to residents in relation to both the five sites that had been put forward by landowners, as well as on GAPC's affordable housing scheme. Cllr Millard explained that GAPC is still keen to move forward but it is necessary to pause the affordable housing project while we wait to see how the SWLP might affect the parish.</p> <p>However, GAPC is keen to ensure that when the time comes to restart the initiative, we are in a good position to start the next phase – which involves the application of site selection criteria that have been drafted by GAPC with input from the Warwickshire Rural Community Council and the Warwickshire Rural Housing Association (WRCC) and on which residents are encouraged to comment. Before discussing these criteria, Cllr Millard introduced Sarah Brooke-Taylor from the WRCC who was attending the meeting to explain how the original list of 16 sites was arrived at and had been assessed and how these had been reduced to 5 preferred sites which went out to consultation with residents in March 2024.</p> <p>Sarah provided an overview of how the process had evolved since 2011 when there was an original list of 10 sites put forward before what is now the Linfoot Oaks site was chosen for development. This potential list was submitted to SDC, which rejected a number of sites for various reasons. This original list was the starting point for this most recent affordable housing initiative. Further sites were also put forward to GAPC by landowners. In assessing these 16 sites, the WRCC's starting point was revisiting SDC's comments. Some sites were naturally rejected for reasons such as being in the Conservation Area, being outside the BUAB (built up area boundaries), or prone to flooding. There were other</p>
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factors to consider – such as landowner willingness to sell at that particular point in time, access/visibility, speed limit, topography, landscape sensitivity, proximity to listed buildings. Other issues that would affect viability such as infrastructure restraints were also considered ie overhead cables or transformers on site. The WRCC's assessment of the 16 sites produced a shortlist of 6 sites: on approaching the landowners again, 5 were willing to sell the land for affordable housing, so these were the sites that were brought forward for residents' consultation in March 2024.

During the public consultation, further sites were suggested by one of the local residents. These were also assessed by WRCC – the same factors as above were considered – and were rejected '*unless there were no viable alternatives*' (which there were - the 5 sites that were being consulted on). Sarah reiterated that most parishes and towns only have one potential site available for consultation. The Great Alne consultation gave rise to a number of enquires and queries from parishioners that were addressed by GAPC and the WRCC.

The Preferred Options Consultation of the SWLP has created a challenge for a number of parishes like GAPC. We will have to see what happens next when the next iteration of the SWLP is published around this time next year. Cllr Bowring added that under GAPC's affordable housing scheme, the anticipated number of properties required is the same for every site. He reiterated that not the whole of any particular site will be required – just a section of it. This is the difference with sites under the SWLP which will be built on for general development – ie much larger numbers of dwellings.

Cllr Millard confirmed that there have been 5000 respondents and 20,000 comments on the SWLP so the timeline may slip. We are in a period of limbo which will last at least 12 months.

Cllr Taylor moved on to discuss details of the draft site selection criteria, along with how they will be used and the scoring system that will be applied. They are explained in detail in [the attached slides](#). Once they are in final form, these criteria will be the basis on which the 5 sites in Great Alne, shortlisted by the WRCC for affordable housing will be assessed -with one or possibly two sites coming out as the overall preferred option(s).

GAPC wishes to consult on these criteria, with a view to all residents having an opportunity to submit comments and observations.

The Consultation on the site selection criteria will run until 30 April 2025. Any feedback can be provided by email to the Executive Officer at greatalne.parishcouncil@gmail.com, for circulating to the Parish Councillors.

GAPC will consider all feedback received, report back at the next Parish Council General Meeting on 20 May 2025, and then amend or clarify the site selection criteria where applicable.

The finalised set of criteria will be applied to the 5 shortlisted sites when the Affordable Housing project is restarted. Cllr Taylor reiterated that due to the impact of the SWLP - specifically the overlap of possible affordable housing sites with identified sites that could be developed - it is necessary to postpone progress on the Affordable Housing Project until completion of Stage 4 of the SWLP - which will be publication of the next iteration of the plan. The site selection criteria will be discussed at the next GAPC meeting on Tues 20th May 2025.

5.	MATTERS ARISING
	<u>General Maintenance Update</u>
a. Flooding	Please refer to the report provided by Cllr Taylor at Annex 2.
	Cllr Taylor provided a summary review of the work carried out by the Flood Action Group (FLAG) since the last meeting.
i) Meeting with the Environment Agency	Cllr Taylor confirmed that following a long-awaited meeting with the Environment Agency (EA) in February, the EA has confirmed they will not be removing the tree that is in the middle of the river which is causing issues with the flow of water from the culvert from Manor Court Ditch. The EA also confirmed that they would not dredge the river.
ii) Update on WCC works	Following the investigations and drain clearance undertaken by Subscan, a comprehensive report was submitted to WCC Highways containing CCTV camera footage of all drains, culverts and highways areas that require repairs and maintenance work. GAPC met with WCC officers and Cllr Justin Kerridge in early February to walk through the village considering the issues identified in the Report with the aim of scheduling in some of the priority works. Cllr Taylor was pleased to confirm that program of works started earlier this week (13 March) which will address the main jobs highlighted in the Report, including Sernal Lane, Alne Cote Corner, around the grit store on the B4089 and at various locations along the Henley Road.
iii) Update on WWT engagement	Cllr Taylor has attended a further meeting with Jake McAllister from the WWT about the proposals for Natural Flood Measures. Volunteers are felling trees on the HoEF land with a view to creating leaky dams to slow the flow of water down to the Manor Court ditch.
b. Highways	
i) WCC works timeframe	The WCC works started on 13 March and are scheduled to last for 2-3 weeks – subject to any unforeseen issues or problems. For example, earlier this week otters were discovered inside the drains on the side of Henley Road so work stopped while the EA investigates to check there are no nests.
ii) Pelham Lane	In addition to the significant works being undertaken by WCC Highways in relation to flood prevention, there are significant repair works scheduled for Pelham Lane in April, including work to shore up the ditch. A fuller report will hopefully be available in time for the May meeting.
c. Footpaths Project	Lead volunteer Bob Larbey provided a written update as he is unable to attend the meeting this evening. Bob confirmed that we are nearly there on the proposed handrail at the bottom of Church Walk. He requested that Cllr Millard chase the one third financial contribution from the Great Alne Parochial Charity and that the Executive Officer obtains confirmation from the Church on their one third contribution.
d. Community Speed Watch / Road Safety	Please refer to Annex 3 for Cllr Millard's update on CSWG / Road Safety.

i) Spring rota	Cllr Millard confirmed that the volunteers are working on a spring rota for the community speed watch sessions.
ii) Update on traffic calming measures	<p>GAPC are currently putting plans together to finalise what can realistically be done with the limited budget available – coming from Cllr Kerridge’s delegated highways budget – and what the Warwickshire Police will allow. There have been a few meetings over the last couple of months to establish what can be done and what is allowed. For example, WCC do not want flashing speeding signs due to the maintenance costs – but it may be that GAPC can pick up the maintenance costs of these.</p> <p>Cllr Millard is hoping to have a finalised plan for approval by the May meeting.</p>
5b.	<p><u>Recreation ground and defibrillator</u></p> <p>Cllr Bennett is unable to attend the meeting and has sent apologies.</p>
a) Recreation Ground	The Executive Officer provided a summary of Cllr Bennett’s progress report on the recreation ground - see Annex 4.
b) Defibrillator	The Executive Officer provided a summary of Cllr Bennett’s progress report on the defibrillator - see Annex 5.
c) Community Orchard	The Executive Officer provided a summary of Cllr Bennett’s progress report on the community orchard - see Annex 6.
d) Rainwater harvesting structure	The Executive Officer provided a summary of Cllr Bennett’s progress report on the rainwater harvesting structure- see Annex 7.
	MAIN BUSINESS
	<u>FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION</u>
a. GAPC response to the SWLP	<p>Cllr Bowring explained that a Community Meeting had been held by GAPC on 15 February 2025 to explain about the five sites in Great Alne identified for potential development under the South Warwickshire Local Plan and the impact on Great Alne and the affordable housing for local needs scheme (as there are two sites which overlap both the affordable housing scheme and the SWLP sites). A presentation was prepared which is now available on the news section of the GAPC website https://www.greatalne-pc.gov.uk/news.cfm?source=left.</p> <p>GAPC prepared a response based on these slides and submitted comments on each of the five sites via the SWLP Preferred Options Consultation portal. The responses will be added to the GAPC website. In summary, GAPC objected to general development on all five of the sites. As a result of the potential overlap of sites, councillors have decided to pause progress on the affordable housing scheme until the next iteration of the SWLP is published which will be around this time next year.</p> <p>GAPC also submitted its comments on the draft policies and policy directions as part of a group of Alcester Parishes led by Alcester Town Council.</p>

<p>b. WCC meeting on English Devolution White paper and local Government Reorganisation</p>	<p>The Executive Officer provided a brief overview of the proposals for Devolution and Local Government Reorganisation as it affects Warwickshire. She explained that town and parish councils were starting to be consulted on the Local Government Reorganisation and being asked for their views on Devolution and Unitary Authorities.</p> <p>Cllr Bowring explained why it is important for town and parishes to be updated on proposals as they emerge, as the expectation is that the towns and parishes will take on some of the roles and services of the County Council ie their responsibilities will increase. The challenge for smaller towns and parishes are capacity and capability – ie having the right people and the right skills. There may, for example, be aspects that GAPC may decide as a parish that it can't manage but neighbouring parishes may have the skills – so there will be a need for partnership working. Challenges with that include protecting democracy and views of residents – do residents want us to work with Alcester for example?</p> <p>Cllr Millard noted that GAPC has been carrying out some of the County's services for the last couple of years, but it is all a question of scale. He suggested that although we want to be kept abreast of developments, we may not have capacity to be involved in the proposed working group.</p> <p>Cllr Taylor disagreed as he feels we need to understand what reform and devolution looks like and what we will be getting. If we have capacity to be part of the working group, then we may have capacity to influence the thinking from the perspective of a small parish.</p> <p>Councillors asked the Executive Officer to establish what sort of commitment is required and what would we be signing up to.</p> <div data-bbox="488 1081 1497 1216" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p><i>ACTION: The Executive Officer agreed to email WCC's officers dealing with LGR and Devolution and to find out more information about joining the Working Group.</i></p> </div>
<p>c. Lengthsman update</p>	<p>The Executive Officer updated councillors on the new lengthsman and the work he has undertaken so far. It is making a big difference to the village and is a tangible benefit to all residents. The Executive Officer read out an email from a resident who was keen to express her gratitude at the work that is being done and what a good job the lengthsman is doing.</p> <p>There are just a couple of issues that we need a solution for- one is disposal of waste arising, as it is currently being dragged to the park which is both challenging physically and time consuming. This is not feasible for work being done at the opposite end of the village. We need to think about some solutions for this including finding an alternative location for the waste or looking to hire a green waste skip.</p> <p>The other task is to ensure the lengthsman has the right equipment and tools, which we are currently working on (see also agenda item (m) below).</p>
<p>d. Limebridge contract update</p>	<p>Cllr Bennett and the Executive Officer held an onsite meeting with Limebridge, GAPC's grounds maintenance contractor on 4 March to discuss renewal of grounds maintenance contract and blended approach to 'No Mow May'. We have followed up with an email and await feedback especially in relation to any price change.</p>

e. Internal audit with Cllr Millard	The Executive Officer confirmed that the internal audit was carried out by Cllr Millard on 24 th February 2025 and his report has been received. There were no issues.
f. Executive Officer's appraisal	The Executive Officer's appraisal was carried out by Cllrs Bennett and Taylor on 24 th February.
g. VAT reclaim submitted	The 2024 VAT reclaim (s126) was submitted on 25 February 2025 and was received into the account on 6 March 2025. The Executive Officer intends to submit a quarterly reclaim for Jan-Mar 2025 to bring the VAT reclaim into line with GAPC's financial year and for future onboarding with Scribe.
h. Auction of former Social Club	The auction of former Social Club is due to take place on 27 March 2025. There has allegedly been quite a lot of interest in the building, potentially as a residential property – although there is no outside space. There is no mention of the Conservation Area in the particulars. There was some discussion amongst councillors as to whether the building could be used as a community asset, with reference to the Community Right to Buy Scheme under the Devolution White Paper. However, it was agreed that there would be issues in terms of who would run it, manage the building and the resources etc. GAPC does not have capacity to undertake this project.
i. Huff Space and Chatty Café Update	<p>The Executive Officer has had further discussions with the new operators of the Mother Huff Cap- and the first Chatty Café session will take place on 10 April from 1-3pm. In order to keep refreshments free for residents, the Executive Officer has agreed a price with the operators per session, for which GAPC has funding from the County Councillor's Grant Fund. The Executive Officer is concerned this funding has to be spent by 31 March, but Cllr Kerridge said to mention in the required end of term report on spending that we have been unable to run the session due to the closure of the pub but we are starting up again in April. Cllr Kerridge is happy for the funding to be rolled over.</p> <p>Huff Space is proving to be more challenging to set up as the operators can only support it on a Sunday evening as the restaurant is too busy on a Friday and Saturday. The Executive Officer is still in discussions about whether this is going to be viable but preliminary feedback from parents is a Sunday night is not ideal, being a school night.</p>
j. Vegetation Management	<p>The Executive Officer stated that Birch Utilities had been to Great Alne to maintain vegetation round power cables 18 Feb. They returned on 4 March to complete work near cables in the park.</p> <p><u>FOR DECISION/ APPROVAL/ACTION</u></p>
k. Proposed closure of West Entrance of GAP	Councillors noted that GAP had written to the residents of Park Lane and Gunn Court for their feedback prior to the work being done, and considered this was a good starting point for future issues. They also noted however, that with the site due to be finished in June, that there should not be too many issues regarding access going forward.

	<p>Councillors considered that it was a reasonable request to open the West Entrance on Park Lane for a period of no more than the proposed 12 days. However, there are the following caveats:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Gate at the West Entrance needs to stay open rather than opening and closing. Having it opening and closing would be inconvenient for the residents of West Lodge (who have also been in touch with the Executive Officer about their concerns). Under no circumstances is this approval a suggestion that the West Entrance should become a more permanent access into GAP. <p>The Executive Officer confirmed she would relay this information back to Great Alne Park management.</p>
l. Mowing plan for GAKMH	<p>The Executive Officer is aware that Kinwarton PC (KPC) has their meeting tomorrow evening and any new plan for mowing GAKMH will need to be approved by KPC. Cllr Bowring considered that it would be unreasonable to not commit to funding the grass cutting this year when there has been no period of notice. He suggested we say this is a proposal - with a view to the change coming next year – in other words this is the last time we are going to do it.</p> <p>The other option is for GAPC's lengthsman to cut the grass at the Hall and for KPC to make a contribution to GAPC towards the lengthsman's time – which would be less than the cost of Limebridge doing the cutting. The Executive Officer would be happy to speak to the Clerk at KPC.</p> <p>After further discussion, it was agreed that Cllr Millard and the Executive Officer are going to look into lawnmower options and see if they can come up with an alternative plan. The Executive Officer will explain the position to GAKMH and ask whether they would be prepared for the lengthsman to use their green bins for the arisings from the grass cutting.</p>
m. Equipment purchase approval for lengthsman	<p>Councillors approved the purchase of a garden shredder and leaf blower for the lengthsman as this has been budgeted for the new financial year. This equipment will also to be used for Footpath maintenance going forward.</p>
n. Executive Officer authority to transfer funds between bank accounts	<p>Councillors authorised the Executive Officer to transfer funds between both Unity Trust Bank accounts without prior councillor authorisation, as secondary approval is required by a councillor bank signatory for a transfer in any event</p>
7. Planning applications	<p><u>PLANNING</u></p> <p>Between meetings, GAPC has submitted the following responses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a response of 'no objection' to Planning Application 25/00285/FUL Dan Skelton Racing, Lodge Hill Sheffield Green Alcester B49 6JR Great Alne. <p>The following are the planning applications recently submitted in the parish of Great Alne and their current status. There were no applications to be determined at the meeting.</p>

Reference	Received	Status	Address
23/01144/AMD	24/04/2023	Approval of Non Material Amendment	Great Alne Park Village Road Great Alne B49 6HS
23/03414/TREE	19/12/2023	Tree Consent with Conditions	The Lodge Henley Road Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HR
25/00014/TEL28	06/01/2025	Comments Sent	Outside 39 School Road Great Alne Alcester B49 6HQ
24/00241/FUL	31/01/2024	Permission with Conditions	Alne Cote School Road Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HG
23/02778/AMD	11/10/2023	Approval of Non Material Amendment	Maudslay Park Great Alne
24/01555/LBC	24/06/2024	Listed Building Consent Approved	West Meadow Barn Manor Court Henley Road Great Alne Alcester B49 6HR
23/01145/AMD	24/04/2023	Approval of Non Material Amendment	Maudslay Park Great Alne
23/02421/FUL Appeal	11/09/2023	Planning Permission Refused	Alne Park Park Lane Great Alne Alcester B49 6HS
23/02993/LBC	07/11/2023	Listed Building Consent Approved	Alne Cote School Road Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HG
24/00768/VARY	28/03/2024	Variation Permitted with Conditions	Alne Wood Park Natural Burial Ground Spernal Lane Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6JG
24/02479/AGNOT	01/10/2024	Pending Consideration	Canada Farm Spernal Lane Great Alne B49 6RG
23/01114/LDE	21/04/2023	Existing Lawful Development - Permitted	Kingsway Park Lane Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HS
23/02292/TREE	29/08/2023	Tree Consent with Conditions	Gunn Court Park Lane Great Alne

24/00041/LBC	08/01/2024	Listed Building Consent Approved	The Lodge Henley Road Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HR
24/00242/LBC	31/01/2024	Listed Building Consent Approved	Alne Cote School Road Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HG
24/00559/AMD	05/03/2024	Approval of Non Material Amendment	Great Alne Park Henley Road Great Alne B49 6HS
24/01554/FUL	24/06/2024	Permission with Conditions	West Meadow Barn Manor Court Henley Road Great Alne Alcester B49 6HR
25/00277/LDP	06/02/2025	Pending Consideration	Great Alne And Kinwarton Memorial Hall Henley Road Great Alne Alcester B49 6HL
24/02649/TEL28	18/10/2024	Comments Sent	New End Great Alne
23/01384/HHPA	19/05/2023	Householder Prior Approval not Required	31 School Road Great Alne Alcester B49 6HQ
23/02812/VARY	18/10/2023	Variation Permitted with Conditions	Alne Wood Park Natural Burial Ground Sprenal Lane Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6JG
23/01519/FUL	06/06/2023	Planning Permission Refused	Alne Park Park Lane Great Alne Alcester B49 6HS
24/02864/TREE	11/11/2024	Tree Consent with Conditions	Greystone Cottage Henley Road Great Alne Alcester B49 6HR
23/03039/TREE	13/11/2023	Tree Consent with Conditions	Great Alne And Kinwarton Memorial Hall Henley Road Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HL
25/00285/FUL	06/02/2025	Pending Consideration	Dan Skelton Racing Lodge Hill Shelfield Green Alcester B49 6JR
23/01352/AMD	16/05/2023	Approval of Non Material Amendment	Cutlers Farm Henley Road Great Alne Alcester B49 6HR
23/01647/LDP	21/06/2023	Permission with Conditions	7 Linfoot Oaks Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6RG

	24/00489/TREE	27/02/2024	Tree Consent with Conditions	The Spinney Henley Road Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HX
	23/01942/TREE	21/07/2023	Tree Consent with Conditions	Coffee Pot Wood Henley Road Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HR
	23/03299/FUL	07/12/2023	Application Withdrawn	Crocketts Farm Alne Hills Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6JS
	24/01970/TREE	07/08/2024	Tree Consent with Conditions	Barnfield 1 Gunn Court Park Lane Great Alne Alcester B49 6HS
	24/01114/TREE	03/05/2024	Tree Consent with Conditions	2 Gunn Court Park Lane Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HS
	24/02100/VARY	20/08/2024	Variation Permitted with Conditions	Crocketts Farm Alne Hills Great Alne Alcester B49 6JS
8.	<u>ACCOUNTS</u>			
a. Progress against budget report	The Executive Office provided a summary of the progress against budget report. The budget is on target but the unexpectedly high streetlighting invoice from WCC will affect this. However, there are sufficient general reserves to cover it.			
b. Accounts information	The following is a list of invoices and payments presented for authorisation and paid since the last PC meeting on 21 st January 2025. Any blue cells represent payments currently set up to be authorised by a second bank signatory – although these were authorised by the second signatory just before the meeting.			
	22.01.25	WCC - Annual streetlight recharge 24/25 Inv 10404827		£69.70
	31.1.25	Limebridge (inv 3288) GAKMH grass cutting for 2024		£403.20
	31.01.25	Unity Trust charges		£7.35
	1.2.25	Scribe Gocardless - Inv 8804/ Starboard Systems Ltd		£43.20
	10.2.25	Clerk's wages for Jan 2025		£1284.66
	10.2.25	Clerks expenses for Jan 2025		£74.00
	10.2.25	HMRC payment. Income tax =£84.20, E'ees NICS = £27.90, E'ers NICS= £88.15. Total for tax period 11 = £200.25		£200.25
	10.2.25	Expenses for volunteer- Bob Larbey - Footpaths - to be repaid from s106 funds held by WCC		£136.11
	28.02.25	Unity Trust charges		£6.90

	1.3.25	Scribe Gocardless - Inv 9315/ Starboard Systems Ltd	£43.20			
	4.3.25	Inkberrow Services Ltd (Inv #11117 - footpaths project)	£760.00			
	5.3.25	Inkberrow Services Ltd (Inv #11122 SDC rainwater harvesting structure project)	£1350.00			
	12.3.25	Lengthsman expenses - Richard Gardner - work trousers, safety footwear, goggles and trolley	£124.96			
	12.3.25	Clerk's wages for Feb 2025	£1141.98			
	12.3.25	Clerks expenses for Feb 2025	£273.51			
	12.3.25	HMRC payment. Income tax =£44.60, E'ees NICS = £12.05, E'ers NICS= £60.81. Total for tax period 12 = £117.46	£117.46			
	12.3.25	Expenses for volunteer- Bob Larbey - Footpaths (postsaver sleeves and undercoat paint) - to be repaid from s106 funds held by WCC	£101.99			
	12.3.25	Expenses for councillor - Louise Bennett (fixings for rainwater tower construction)	£6.46			
	13.3.25	Sustrans - Great Alne to Alcester Feasibility Study	£12000.00			
9. Correspondence since the last PC Meeting	Councillors approved the payments list.					
	• Bank Account Balances @ 11 March 2025: £49,815.92					
	▪ Unity Trust Current Account T1 ending 0348: £9,419.98					
	▪ Unity Trust Instant Access Account (reserves) ending 0351: £40,395.94					
	• Money In: £8,950.28 being the VAT Reclaim for 2024 from HMRC received on 6.3.25					
	• Transfers:					
	19.1.25	£6,000	From A/c 351	To A/c 348	Transfer of £6,000 from general reserves to cover invoices including WCC streetlighting balance	KB, LCB, IM
	11.2.25	£5,000	From A/c 351	To A/c 348	Transfer of £5,000 from general reserves to cover monthly accounts invoices	KB, LCB, LB, IT, IM
	a) Emails regarding GAPC's response to the South Warwickshire Local Plan					
	b) Community meeting set up for 15 February 2025					
c) Correspondence regarding completion of the rainwater harvesting structure in the recreation ground						
d) Correspondence regarding the new Lengthsman						
e) Emails re Greenway Feasibility Report						

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> f) Correspondence re speeding and traffic calming measures g) Emails about footpaths project h) Correspondence re affordable housing project i) Correspondence regarding the community orchard and follow up actions j) Emails re recreation ground repairs k) Emails re WCC work list for GAPC flooding matters l) Various correspondence dealing with residents' queries m) Alcester SNT Team: weekly police report.
12. Date and venue of the next meeting	<p>The next meeting will take place on Tues 13 May 2025. The Annual Meeting starts at 6pm and the Parish Assembly starts at 7pm. The meeting will take place in the Function Room, Maudslay House, Great Alne Park.</p> <p>The next GAPC General Meeting will take place at 7pm on Tues 20th May 2025 in the hall at Great Alne Primary School, School Road, Great Alne.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p> <p><i>Councillors are reminded of their duty to consider all aspects of equal opportunities, crime prevention, unlawful discrimination, biodiversity of the natural habitat, and other best practice when making decisions at the meeting.</i></p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">The Meeting ended at 10pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*****</p>