ALVECHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING – 2026/10/12 - 18

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING held at Hopwood Community Centre on Monday 12th October 2026 at 5:30 pm.

PRESENT: Cllr Worrall (Chairman) Cllrs; Clarke, Freeman and Hornsby.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs F Murphy – Committee Clerk/Minute Taker

1. COMMITTEE CO-OPTION

It was resolved to co-opt Councillor Godfrey onto the P&H committee. This decision will be ratified at the following full council meeting.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Parish Councillors; Cutress and Wiseman.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

4. DISPENSATION REQUESTS

None received.

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the Planning and Highways Meeting held 7th September **were Proposed as correct by Cllr Hornsby, seconded by Cllr Freeman. Unanimous.**

6. OPEN FORUM

No members of the public were present.

7. COMMITTEE CLERKS REPORT

The Committee Clerk's Report had been circulated prior to the meeting. **Noted.**

Cllr Hornsby proposed that the response from our Local Road Safety Team be forwarded onto National Highways as per the advice received. Seconded by Cllr Freeman. Unanimous. Action: A/Clerk

8. DRAFT COMMITTEE BUDGET 2027/28

Members had been provided with a copy of the DRAFT Planning & Highways Committee Budget for 2027/28.

Cllr Hornsby noted that the increase this year was due to the BDC lengthsmen now charging VAT on labour.

Cllr Worrall suggested reducing the Professional Fees to £500 and increase the CCTV Maintenance/VAS by £500.

Cllr Worrall Proposed, that the P&H Budget for 2026/27 be set at £24,000. Unanimous.

Chairman …… **Date ……**

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PLANNING MATTERS:

9. TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

None received

10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application type: Permission in Principle
Planning Reference: 26/01106/PIP
Proposal: Erection of up to 4 dwellings and associated access.
Location: Land Adjacent, North Barn, Perry Mill Farm, Birmingham Road

APC: Objection

APC wishes to object to this application due to the following reasons;

1. The site is washed over by greenbelt land, which is an overriding consideration within the Parish.
2. The land is currently used as the paddock and is agricultural land, not falling within the curtilage of any existing residential property.
3. Outside the defined settlement boundary for Hopwood.

11. TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM BDC

Grant of Planning Permission subject to Conditions Application Reference: 26/00910/FUL
Location: Citroën Redditch, Birmingham Road, Bordesley, Worcestershire **Proposal:** External refurbishment of existing Car Dealership to update corporate identity. Alterations to external elevations including painting of existing cladding & shopfronts and installation of new signage and changes to car park layout.
APC: No Objection.

12. PLANNING APPEALS

None received.

13. PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE

- Following a short discussion **Cllr Worrall Proposed Cllr Hornsby to submit a response to**
- **the Arrow Valley Project Team re the development consent order**. **Unanimous.**
  Members noted email received from resident re **Planning Reference: 26/01106/PIP.**
- Members noted the email received from BDC re National Scheme of Delegation training session being held on the 9th November 6-8pm at Parkside Hall. Following a short discussion, **Cllr Worrall proposed Cllr Hornsby attend on APC's behalf. Unanimous.**
- Cllr Worrall informed Members that a resident had requested a copy of the BDC Scoping Consultation which he had submitted. Cllr Worrall gave an undertaking to provide the resident with the information and also to provide the office with a copy of the submission made on behalf of APC.

14. REPRESENTATION AT BDC PLANNING MEETING

- No representation required.

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HIGHWAYS MATTERS:

15. HIGHWAYS CORRESPONDENCE

- Members noted the email received by the Chair of the Almshouses re requesting a Road Safety Survey along Station Road.

16. FOOTPATH/ROAD CLOSURES

None received.

17. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Cllr Clarke requested an agenda item for November P&H relating to the VAS signs in the Parish. **Action: A/Clerk**

Cllr Hornsby confirmed the Dagnell End Road works were going well, however in the next few weeks there will be more disruption.

18. MEETING DATES

Planning & Highways – 9th November 2026, 5:30pm at Hopwood Community Centre
Planning & Highways – 14th December 2026, 5:30pm at Hopwood Community Centre

Chairman …… **Date ……**

Meeting closed at 18:45pm