# ALVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

# MEETING PACK FOR NOVEMBER 2020 MEETING

**8 Village** **c) To note any updates on village/parish improvement matters**

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| Flood mitigation in the parish | Cllr Chris McFarling continues to work on securing improvements. |
| Garlands Road – poor condition of footpaths, poor condition of garages | Both Highways and Two Rivers claim path is not theirs; Cllr McFarling continues to put pressure on both parties for maintenance arrangements.  |
| Public Rights of Way in the parish | **Jeff Wheeler (PROW officer) advises of the following work in the parish which remains on his caseload and is actively being dealt with.*** **FAL3 has a broken pointer on the signpost and its signpost is pushed over.**
* **FAL5 to FAL6 … New report just received … apparently no access from FAL5 to FAL6 … to be investigated.**
* **FAL7 needs inspecting again and a chat with the landowner due to obstructions. Meeting is long overdue and delayed due to COVID.**
* **FAL21 apparently has broken stiles each end – need to determine whether frames or just steps …**
* **FAL12, FAL13, FAL14 require replacement kissing gates or gates for the stiles if possible. Again requires discussion with the landowner(s).**
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| Globe Inn resident concerns, November 2019 | **I approached Gary Burchill about the idea of placing a poster on the front door, encouraging considerate parking. Gary advised that this would be permitted.**  |
| Neighbourhood Watch / Policing | To my knowledge there is still a Neighbourhood Watch vacancy for Garlands Road side of the A48 to work in partnership with the opposite side. |
| Emergency Plan – ensuring it’s up to date and fit for purpose. | I continue to work on this when time permits. |

## **d) Allotments: To consider the draft plotholder agreement.**

I have drafted the following agreement and if the parish council is happy with it I will send it to an allotment representative to give plotholders a chance to comment prior to adopting.

* Please keep your allotment clean and well maintained.
* Pay attention to weeds, and ensure any weeds on your plot are well managed and are not allowed to spread to neighbouring plots, either through spread of the plant itself or by seeding.
* You are allowed to have a bonfire on your plot; it should not be left unattended, and consideration should be given to timings, wind direction etc in efforts to keep impact on neighbours to a minimum.
* You may put up a shed or other temporary structures such as polytunnels, water containers or greenhouses on your plot, up to a footprint size of 4 foot by 6 foot (although larger structures may be okay if approved by the parish council first). Like the rest of your plot, these structures should always be well maintained and in good condition. These cannot have a concrete base, although they can have a dry foundation of up to 9 inches deep.
* If you have any queries or problems, or if you wish to give up your plot (or half of it), please contact the Parish Clerk on 01594 719245 or via alvingtonclerk@outlook.com.

**11. Highways
a) To receive any updates on Highways matters**

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| **Issue** | **Comments** |
| Lower end of Knapp Lane requires resurfacing | Response from Brian: Not currently scheduled; if additional Highways funding becomes available, this may change. |
| Need for trimming of vegetation on A48 between Alvington and Woolaston (first reported Oct 2019) | **Highways advised on 6/10 that arrangements have been made to address this issue and they will email me again when complete.** |
| Clanna Lane / A48 Double yellow lines – feasibility query (originated 20th November 2019) | So far 2 sets of photos of antisocial parking sent to Brian Watkins, who has forwarded to the Traffic Regulation Order team. **No further photos received in the past month.**Funding is an issue: around £10K which Highways cannot currently commit, though maybe in 20-21 or after. Process would take around 12 months from instructing the TRO team. |
| Japanese Knotweed near Sandford Pond | Brought up at September meeting. Reported Sept 2020.  |
| Swan Hill – slippery leaves creating hazard | **Reported to FoDDC (street cleaning issue so not Highways) 14/09/2020** |

**Meg Humphries**

**Parish Clerk**

**28/10/2020**