

# Alphamstone & Lamarsh Parish Council

Chairman: Cllr Mark Brewer  
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NEW Website: <https://e-voice.org.uk/alpc/>

Dear Councillors

You are hereby requested to attend the forthcoming meeting of Alphamstone & Lamarsh Parish Council at **Alphamstone Village Hall on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>. February 2026 at 6.30pm** for the purpose of transacting the following business:

**KBMoney** - Kevin B. Money Parish Clerk / RFO to the Council CiLCA – 30<sup>th</sup>. January 2026

## **AGENDA**

**001/2026 Apologies for Absence**

**002/2026 Declarations of Interest**

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary interest relating to items on the agenda

**003/2026 Minutes**

To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 11<sup>th</sup>. December 2025

**004/2026 Essex County Council report** – Cllr P. Schwier

**005/2026 District Councillor report** – Cllr D. Holland

**006/2026 Public Forum** A total of 15 minutes is allowed for all public participation

**007/2026 Replacement of Salt bin**

**008/2026 Friends of Alphamstone Church** – update from Cllr S. Nichols

**009/2026 Alphamstone Village update**

**010/2026 Lamarsh Village update**

**011/2026 Planning – including any Current Planning Applications requiring a response**

**25/02828/HH** - Cocks Foot Goulds Road Alphamstone

Proposed new pitched roof to enable first floor accommodation incorporating rooflights & removal of chimney.  
Documents can be found at

<https://publicaccess.braintree.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=documents&keyVal=T7GMOIBF0P700>

**26/00114/HH** - Woodview Goulds Road Alphamstone

Proposed single storey rear extension, entrance porch, first floor extension above existing detached garage and replacement two storey link extension between detached garage and dwelling.

Documents can be found at

<https://publicaccess.braintree.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=documents&keyVal=T92PG5BFFKW00>

**012/2026 County Broadband** – Update on the Wayleave Agreement sent on 30.12.25

**013/2026 Finance**

- 1) To receive the Bank reconciliations as at 31<sup>st</sup>. January 2026
- 2) To receive the comparison of Actual to Budget 2025/2026
- 3) To approve the payment of Accounts for January and February 2026 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council's financial requirements.

**014/2026 Items for next agenda**

**015/2026 Date of Next Meetings** – 15<sup>th</sup>. May at Lamarsh VH at 6.30pm: 3<sup>rd</sup>. September 2026 at Alphamstone VH at 6.30pm: 11<sup>th</sup>. December 2026 at Lamarsh VH at 6.30pm

**016/2026 Closure of the Meeting**

To close the meeting having considered and determined all items of business

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>. December 2025 at 7pm in Alphamstone Village Hall

Present: Cllr M. Brewer (Chair), Cllr B. Twinn, Cllr S. Pitman, Cllr S. Willis, BDC Cllr D. Holland and Kevin B. Money (Parish Clerk). There was 5 members of the public present.

**073/2025 Apologies for Absence** were received from ECC Cllr P. Schwier and Cllr S. Nichols

**074/2025 Declarations of Interest**

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary interest relating to items on the agenda  
None Declared

**075/2025 Minutes**

To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 4<sup>th</sup>. September 2025 **All Agreed**

**076/2025 Essex County Council report** – Cllr P. Schwier

ECC Cllr Peter Schwier noted in his email giving his apologies that the updates he provides via email should be noted.

**077/2025 District Councillor report** – Cllr D. Holland

Local Government Reorganisation – Essex is one of the first counties moving from all current levels of councils (District, City, Borough and County.) to three, four or five Unitary Councils to deliver all local government services. A Mayor for Greater Essex is scheduled for May 2028, having been postponed from May 2026. Authorities with high levels of debt will not be able to share that debt across Greater Essex. The proposed merger of Braintree District Council with Colchester City Council and Tendring Borough Council to form one Unitary Council could have implications for council taxes, given the higher costs for adult social care and SEND in Colchester, higher budget deficits and debt position. In May 2027 there will be elections for a "shadow unitary authority", which will start work alongside the current councils, until April 1<sup>st</sup>. 2028, when the current councils will cease to exist and the new Unitary Authority will take over. The elected Mayor will have a seat (though not in the Commons) in Westminster. The next time public will vote will now be in 2028. All Essex and District Councillors will be going from 2028. Community Benefit funding will be made available from National Grid in early 2026, given the proximity to the Butlers Wood substation

**078/2025 Public Forum** A total of 15 minutes is allowed for all public participation

Numerous residents spoke about supporting the planning application 25/02718/FUL.

**079/2025 Salt bins need to be addressed also remove, repair, replace and fill**

A&LPC proposing to replace the 3 bins which the Parish Council owns before loading existing salt into the bins. Cllr B. Twinn to remove the bin at Daws Hall. Cllr S. Pitman to supply the Clerk with picture and costing of a new bin. Cllr M. Brewer proposed purchasing 1 salt bin at this time. Cllr S. Pitman seconded. **All Agreed**  
The Parish Council to log the defective ECC salt bins with ECC Highways.

**080/2025 Planning – including any Current Planning Applications requiring a response**

**25/02718/FUL** - Moat Farm Moat Lane Alphamstone

Change of use of agricultural building to a self-build dwellinghouse (Class C3), and for associated operational development

**RESOLVED:** Alphamstone & Lamarsh Parish Council has no comment to make on this planning application

**081/2025 County Broadband** – Final Agreement - Wayleave Agreement across Village Green

Councillors discussed the draft agreement. Cllr S. Pitman raised 9 points of possible discussion, some of which have already been discussed and addressed.

Cllr M. Brewer proposed accepting the agreement in full. Cllr B. Twinn seconded. **All Agreed**.

Cllr M. Brewer, Cllr B. Twinn and the Clerk signed the document.

The Clerk to electronically send the response to Tamzin Curtis

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## 082/2025 Finance

- 1) To receive the Bank reconciliations as at 30<sup>th</sup>. November 2025  
Councillors noted the Bank reconciliations as at 30<sup>th</sup>. November 2025
- 2) To receive the comparison of Actual to Budget 2025/2026  
Councillors noted the comparison of Actual to Budget 2025/2026
- 3) To approve the payment of Accounts for October, November and December 2025 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Council's financial requirements. **All Agreed**

## 083/2025 2026-2027 Budget – Councillors to discuss draft budget proposals

Councillors discussed the 2026-2027 budget. Cllr M. Brewer proposed a budget of £5,533 which using BDC Tax base figure of £207.86 resulted in a Band D property figure of £26.62p; an increase of 71p per year or 2.74%. Cllr S. Willis seconded. **All Agreed**

The Chair and Clerk then signed the BDC Precept form which is to be returned to BDC by 30<sup>th</sup>. January 2026

## 084/2025 Items for next agenda

List of Community Projects: Village Church, Public house update

## 085/2025 Date of Next Meeting – 5<sup>th</sup>. February 2026 Alphamstone VH 6.30pm, 15<sup>th</sup>. May 2026 Lamarsh VH 6.30pm, 3<sup>rd</sup>. September 2026 Alphamstone VH, 11<sup>th</sup>. December 2026 Lamarsh VH 6.30pm

## 086/2025 Closure of the Meeting

To close the meeting having considered and determined all items of business

The Chair then closed the meeting at 9pm.

Signed

Cllr Mark Brewer - Chair

5<sup>th</sup>. February 2026

# Alphamstone & Lamarsh Parish Council

## Application for Grant Funding

<b>Name of applicant/organisation:</b>	Alphamstone Village Hall
<b>Contact details of applicant/organisation representative:</b>	Kathryn Parsons Chair of Trustees 07986 554048
<b>Email Address for contact:</b>	<a href="mailto:kathryn.parsons@btinternet.com">kathryn.parsons@btinternet.com</a>
<b>Aims &amp; objectives of organisation:</b>	To maintain Alphamstone Village Hall and run community events so that it remains a centre of contact and hub of social interactivity for the residents of Alphamstone.
<b>Is the organisation a registered charity? If so, please provide registration number.</b>	yes - 246976
<b>Does the organisation have a constitution? If yes, please enclose a copy. If no, please explain your organisation.</b>	Yes - copy available to view on our website <a href="http://alphamstone.com">alphamstone.com</a>
<b>Does the organisation have accounts? If yes, please enclose a copy. If no, please explain your accounting procedures.</b>	yes. copy of 2025-25 attached
<b>Amount of grant requested.</b>	200.00
<b>Please give details of the project the grant is for, including its total cost.</b>	NA

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**From:** Jane <jane@lamarshvillagehall.com>  
**Sent:** 30 January 2026 13:39  
**To:** alphandlampc@gmail.com  
**Subject:** PC Meeting

Lamarsh Village Hall

Wall in process of being rebuilt, weather permitting , thanks to a grant from BDC.  
Our hall is regularly bring used for fitness classes and there is talk of more to come.  
Our notice board has been revamped and will soon be sign written.

Sent from [Outlook for iOS](#)

[alphandlampc@gmail.com](mailto:alphandlampc@gmail.com)

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**To:** Tamasin.Curtis@nexa.law  
**Cc:** A&LPC Councillors  
**Subject:** Wayleave agreement update

Good morning Tamasin

I have a Parish Council meeting on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>. February 2026

Can you please give me an update on the progress on the signed document I sent to your legal department that was signed for on 31.12.25?

Much appreciated

Speak with you soon

Regards and thank you

*Kevin*

Kevin B. Money

Clerk to Alphamstone & Lamarsh Parish Council

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BANK RECONCILITION					
Financial year ending 31.03.26					
Bank Balance as at	30.04.24	30.05.25	30.06.25	31.07.25	
NatWest Bank - Current a/c	£ 3,748.85	£ 3,748.85	£ 686.74	£ 686.74	
NatWest Bank - Reserve a/c	£ 1,771.52	£ 1,773.30	£ 4,278.06	£ 4,281.97	
Saffron Building Society a/c	£ 2,570.07	£ 2,570.07	£ 2,570.07	£ 2,570.07	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£ 8,090.44</b>	<b>£ 8,092.22</b>	<b>£ 7,534.87</b>	<b>£ 7,538.78</b>	
Less Unpresented cheques					
Total of unpresented cheques	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	
<b>Net Bank Balances as at</b>	<b>£ 8,090.44</b>	<b>£ 8,092.22</b>	<b>£ 7,534.87</b>	<b>£ 7,538.78</b>	
<b>CASH BOOK</b>					
Balance as at 01.04.25	£ 5,478.01	£ 5,478.01	£ 5,478.01	£ 5,478.01	
Plus Receipts	£ 3,287.33	£ 3,289.11	£ 3,293.87	£ 3,297.78	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 8,765.34</b>	<b>£ 8,767.12</b>	<b>£ 8,771.88</b>	<b>£ 8,775.79</b>	
Less Payments	£ 674.90	£ 674.90	£ 1,237.01	£ 1,237.01	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>£ 8,090.44</b>	<b>£ 8,092.22</b>	<b>£ 7,534.87</b>	<b>£ 7,538.78</b>	
Difference	£ -	-£ 0.00	£ -	£ -	
Bank Balance as at	31.08.25	30.09.25	31.10.25	30.11.25	
NatWest Bank - Current a/c	£ 686.74	£ 2,757.30	£ 757.30	£ 757.30	
NatWest Bank - Reserve a/c	£ 4,281.97	£ 3,138.90	£ 5,138.90	£ 5,146.91	
Saffron Building Society a/c	£ 2,570.07	£ 2,570.07	£ 2,570.07	£ 2,570.07	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£ 7,538.78</b>	<b>£ 8,466.27</b>	<b>£ 8,466.27</b>	<b>£ 8,474.28</b>	
Less Unpresented cheques					
Total of unpresented cheques	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	
<b>Net Bank Balances as at</b>	<b>£ 7,538.78</b>	<b>£ 8,466.27</b>	<b>£ 8,466.27</b>	<b>£ 8,474.28</b>	
<b>CASH BOOK</b>					
Balance as at 01.04.25	£ 5,478.01	£ 5,478.01	£ 5,478.01	£ 5,478.01	
Plus Receipts	£ 3,297.78	£ 5,954.71	£ 5,954.71	£ 5,962.72	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 8,775.79</b>	<b>£ 11,432.72</b>	<b>£ 11,432.72</b>	<b>£ 11,440.73</b>	
Less Payments	£ 1,237.01	£ 2,966.45	£ 2,966.45	£ 2,966.45	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>£ 7,538.78</b>	<b>£ 8,466.27</b>	<b>£ 8,466.27</b>	<b>£ 8,474.28</b>	
Difference	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 0.00	
Bank Balance as at	31.12.25	31.01.26			
NatWest Bank - Current a/c	£ 207.02	£ 160.02			
NatWest Bank - Reserve a/c	£ 4,901.20	£ 4,901.20			
Saffron Building Society a/c	£ 2,570.07	£ 2,570.07			
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£ 7,678.29</b>	<b>£ 7,631.29</b>			
Less Unpresented cheques					
Total of unpresented cheques	£ -	£ -			
<b>Net Bank Balances as at</b>	<b>£ 7,678.29</b>	<b>£ 7,631.29</b>			
<b>CASH BOOK</b>					
Balance as at 01.04.25	£ 5,478.01	£ 5,478.01			
Plus Receipts	£ 5,967.01	£ 5,967.01			
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 11,445.02</b>	<b>£ 11,445.02</b>			
Less Payments	£ 3,766.73	£ 3,813.73			
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>£ 7,678.29</b>	<b>£ 7,631.29</b>			
Difference	£ -	£ -			



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## Transactions

### Your transactions

Account type: **Business Current**

Account number: **52438554**

Sort code: **602103**

Account name: **ALPHAMSTONE/LAM PC**

Date: **02 Feb 2026**

Showing: 02 Dec 2025 to 30 Jan 2026, All Transactions

Date	Type	Description	Paid in	Paid out	Balance
21 Jan 2026	D/D	ICO , ZA091324		✓ £47.00	£160.02
12 Dec 2025	DPC	KEVIN MONEY , CLERK PAYMENT , VIA MOBILE - PYMT , FP 11/12/25 10 , 50215353821072000N		✓ £800.28	£207.02
11 Dec 2025	DPC	From A/C 52648435 , ALPH & LAM PC BR , Via Mobile Xfer	✓ £250.00		£1,007.30

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MRS P POTTER  
7 ROACH VALE  
COLCHESTER  
CO4 3YN

Business Reserve Account

Summary	
Statement Date	05 JAN 2026
Period Covered	04 OCT 2025 to 05 JAN 2026
Previous Balance	£5,138.90
Paid In	£12.30
Withdrawn	£250.00
New Balance	£4,901.20
BIC	NWBKGB2L
IBAN	GB07NWBK60210352648435

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Interest rate: 0.95% Gross / 0.95% AER

Date	Description	Paid In(£)	Withdrawn(£)	Balance(£)
04 OCT 2025	BROUGHT FORWARD			5,138.90
31 OCT	Interest 31OCT GRS 52648435	4.26		5,143.16
28 NOV	Interest 28NOV GRS 52648435	3.75		5,146.91
11 DEC	OnLine Transaction To A/C 52438554 ALPHAMSTONE/LAM PC Via Mobile Xfer		250.00	4,896.91
31 DEC	Interest 31DEC GRS 52648435	4.29		4,901.20

A&LPC ACTUAL AGAINST BUDGET REPORT 2025-2026					
		Agreed 2025/26	Total Income / spend to Feb '26	Left in Budget as at Feb '26	
<b>Income</b>	Precept	5301	£ 5,301.00		
	Other Income	0	£ -		
	Bank Interest	50	£ 29.68		
	Street Cleaning Grant	618	£ 636.33		
	VAT Refund	0	£ -		
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5969</b>	<b>£ 5,967.01</b>		
<b>Exp.</b>					
	Salary	3102	£ 3,142.26	-£ 40.26	
	Office expenses	100	£ 61.08	£ 38.92	
	Audit Fees	130	£ 120.00	£ 10.00	
	Donations	150	£ -	£ 150.00	
	Street Cleaning	720	£ 360.00	£ 360.00	
	Fees & Subscriptions	200	£ 212.61	-£ 12.61	
	Insurance	295	£ 314.97	-£ 19.97	
	Alphamstone Village Hall	200	£ 200.00	£ -	
	Lamarsh Village Hall	200	£ -	£ 200.00	
	Alphamstone PCC	200	£ -	£ 200.00	
	Lamarsh PCC	200	£ -	£ 200.00	
	Training	20	£ -	£ 20.00	
	Dedham Vale AONB	100	£ -	£ 100.00	
	Election costs	0	£ -	£ -	
	Projects / Repairs	100	£ -	£ 100.00	
	Lottery/Defibs	252	£ 252.00	£ -	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5969</b>	<b>£ 4,662.92</b>	<b>£ 1,306.08</b>	
	<b>VAT Reclaim</b>		<b>£ 60.50</b>		
	<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>£ 4,723.42</b>		

A&LPC FINANCE JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2026 PAYMENTS							
Income:							
Expenditure							
Chq No.	Inv No.	Payee	Cost	VAT	Total	A&LPC Ref. No.	
BACS	Jan '26	Kevin B. Money - Clerk salary	£ 266.76	£ -	£ 266.76	11	
BACS	Feb '26	Kevin B. Money - Clerk salary	£ 266.76	£ -	£ 266.76	12	
BACS		Kevin B. Money - Postage Wayleave	£ 10.56	£ -	£ 10.56	13	
BACS	18432	EALC - subscription	£ 165.61	£ -	£ 165.61	14	
BACS		Alphamstone Village Hall - Donation	£ 200.00	£ -	£ 200.00	15	
		<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>£ 909.69</b>	<b>£ -</b>	<b>£ 909.69</b>		
		Denotes already paid					