

ALBRIGHTON AND DONINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

New Council Appointments Following May 2025 Elections

Following the local elections held on 1st May 2025, we are pleased to confirm the appointment of the newly elected councillors, who will serve a four-year term from 2025 to 2029.

At the Annual Council Meeting on 13th May 2025, Councillor Colin Noakes was elected Chairman of the Council for the 2025/26 municipal year. Councillor Nigel Lumby was elected Vice-Chairman for the same period. Both were chosen by a vote among their fellow councillors.

For contact details of your local representatives, please refer to our noticeboards or visit our website.

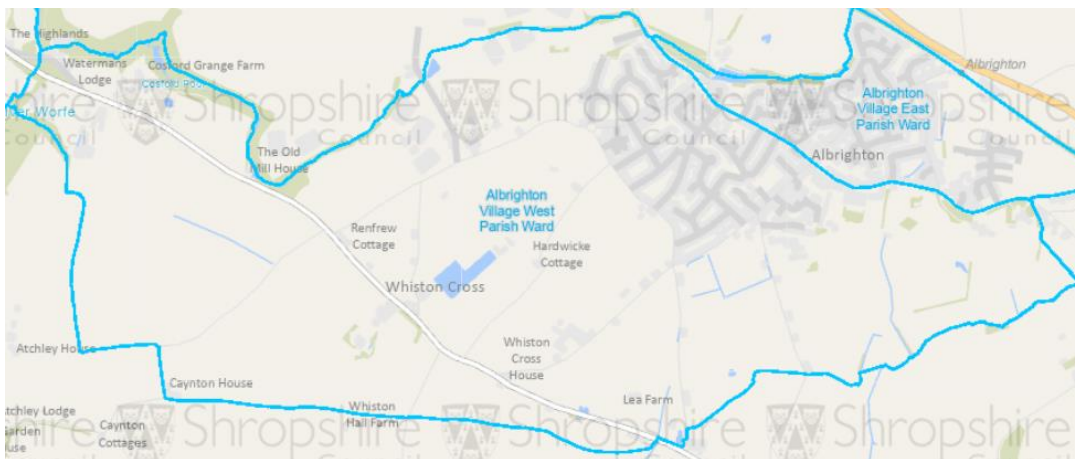
 <p>Councillor Colin Noakes Chairman Albrighton West Ward</p>	 <p>Councillor Nigel Lumby Vice-Chairman & Shropshire Councillor Albrighton East Ward</p>	 <p>Councillor David Beechey Albrighton West Ward</p>	 <p>Councillor David Benson Albrighton East Ward</p>	 <p>Councillor Peter Illes Albrighton West Ward</p>
 <p>Councillor Christine Jones Donington and Boscobel Ward</p>	 <p>Councillor Mandy Medlyn BEM Albrighton East Ward</p>	 <p>Councillor David Meyrick Albrighton East Ward</p>	 <p>Councillor Phil Ogle Donington and Boscobel Ward</p>	 <p>Councillor Robert Parry Donington and Boscobel Ward</p>
 <p>Councillor Sylvia Pledger Albrighton West Ward</p>	 <p>Councillor Adrian Robinson Albrighton West Ward</p>	 <p>Councillor Richard Webster Albrighton West Ward</p>	 <p>Councillor Rachel Wild Albrighton East Ward</p>	 <p>Councillor Vacancy Donington and Boscobel Ward</p>

Ward Maps

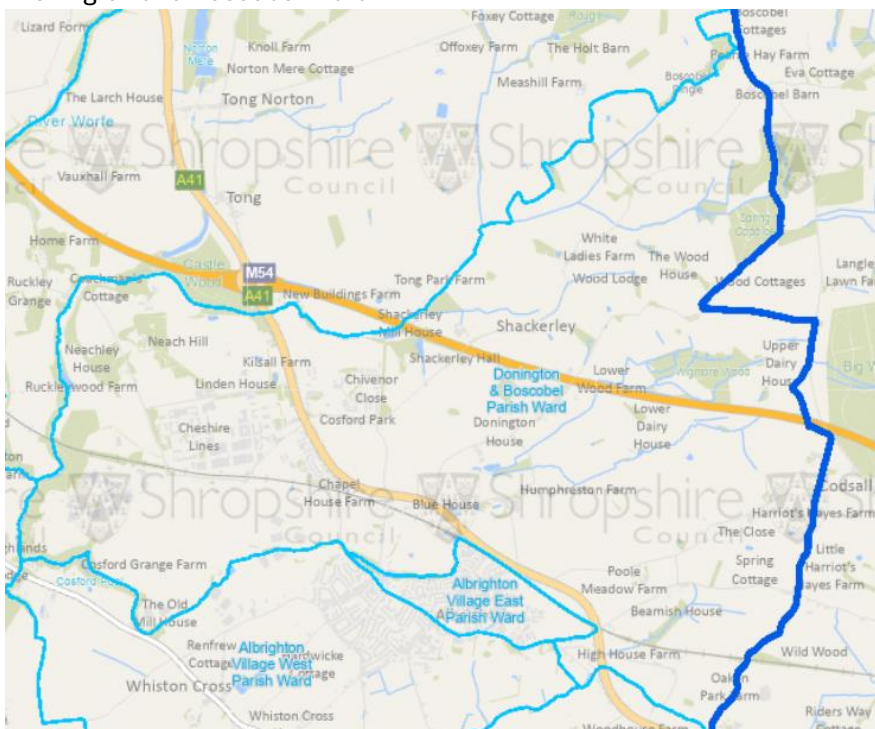
East Ward



West Ward



Donington and Boscobel Ward



Council Meeting Dates

Full Council Meetings will be held on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00pm in the Red House, High Street WV7 3LU. Unless stated otherwise on the agenda. Members of the public are welcome to attend and speak at the meeting.

- 19th June 2025
- 17th July 2025
- August – no meeting for summer recess
- 18th September 2025
- 16th October 2025
- 20th November 2025
- 18th December 2025
- January 2026 - Date to be set by Council due to bank holidays and Christmas closure
- 19th February 2026
- 19th March 2026

General Purpose Committee Meetings will be held on the first Thursday of the month at 6:00pm in the Library Building, Station Road WV7 3QH. Unless stated otherwise on the agenda. Members of the public are welcome to attend and speak at the meeting.

- 5th June 2025
- 3rd July 2025 - **Typo in Parish Mag should be 1st July**
- August – no meeting for summer recess
- 4th September 2025
- 2nd October 2025
- 6th November 2025
- 4th December 2025
- January 2026 - Date to be set by Council due to bank holidays and Christmas closure
- 5th February 2026
- 5th March 2026

Finance, HR and Grants Committee Meetings will be held on the second Thursday of the month at 6:00pm in the Library Building, Station Road WV7 3QH. Unless stated otherwise on the agenda. Members of the public are welcome to attend and speak at the meeting.

- 16th June 2025 – note change of date
- 9th July 2025 – note change of date
- August – no meeting for summer recess
- 11th September 2025
- 9th October 2025
- 13th November 2025
- 11th December 2025
- January 2026 - Date to be set by Council due to bank holidays and Christmas closure
- 11th February 2026
- 11th March 2026

Celebrating 100 Years of Public Libraries in Shropshire – A Special Spotlight on Albrighton Library

This July marks a momentous milestone as we celebrate 100 years of public libraries across Shropshire. To commemorate this centenary, libraries throughout the county will be hosting a variety of events and activities to highlight the vital role libraries—and the dedicated librarians behind them—play in enriching our communities.



Albrighton Library, however, boasts an even deeper-rooted legacy. First opened in 1869, it has proudly served the local community for over 150 years—long before the establishment of the county-wide public library network. Over this remarkable span, Albrighton Library has grown, evolved, and adapted, supported by countless librarians, volunteers, and community members.

Originally located on the High Street in what is now the Rumbles Building, the library once occupied a two-storey space. In 1964, it relocated to its current home on Station Road, where it continues to be a cornerstone of the village. A significant change came in 2016 when management of the library transitioned to Albrighton Parish Council, ensuring its future remains locally guided and community focused.

As a special thanks to the many librarians who have worked here over the years, we are hoping to celebrate with a garden party—more details to follow.

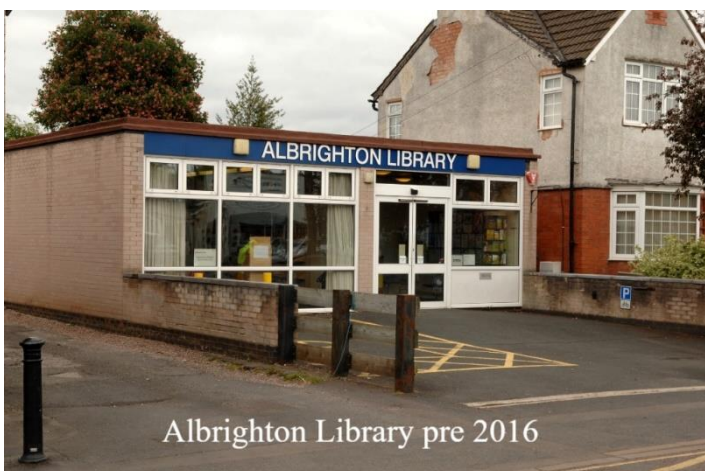
As we mark this centenary year, Albrighton Library stands as a proud example of enduring service, heritage, and the power of community collaboration.



1965 - High Street



1962 - High Street



Albrighton Library pre 2016



Albrighton Library April 2025

Parish Meeting

Albrighton and Donington Parish Council will be holding a meeting of the Parish on 27th July 2025 - ***Typo in Parish Mag should be 21st July*** at 7pm in the Red House, High Street, WV7 3LU. This meeting will be an opportunity for the council and local organisations to deliver reports and presentations on what their future aims are and deliver information on the previous financial year. Guest speakers will be announced at a later date. We welcome members of the public to attend this meeting. More details will be shared on our noticeboards, website and social media channels.

Update report from Chairman Councillor Colin Noakes

It's both an honour and a privilege to announce that I have been elected to be the first Chair of Albrighton and Donington Parish Council. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to my fellow Councillors for putting their faith in me, and to the residents of the Village who voted for me in the May elections.

As we look ahead, I want to assure you that I am committed to serving the Village with openness, energy and a genuine desire to listen. Now the Parishes have joined to form one Council we can work together to meet the challenges and opportunities that face the Village.

Our monthly meetings are open to the public and I warmly encourage you to attend when you can. Your input is vital, and we welcome ideas, concerns and offers to help. The Council is currently working on setting up a number of working groups to tackle some of the issues the Village is facing. I hope that residents will join these working groups and give the Council the benefit of some of the skills and experience that our residents have. I'm hoping I can announce the various working groups in next month's magazine and on the Council's notice boards.



What's on at Albrighton Library

Information, advice and support

Shropshire Council and their partners attend Albrighton Library every third Tuesday of the month from 10am to 12noon. This is a free information, advice, and support session. You can expect help and support with:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Housing Support- Children's Health and Wellbeing- Dementia Support- Financial Advice- Healthy Living Advice | <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Home Fire Safety- Domestic Abuse Support- Drug & alcohol Support- Getting Older |
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Stay and Play and Rhyme Time with Lauren

Join us every Wednesday from 10:30am to 11:45am for Rhyme Time with our trained librarian Lauren who will sing songs, read stories and help your child build key core strength and skills for life! Rhyme Time is targeted for ages 0-4 year olds. Please note that parents/guardians must accompany children at all times. Spaces limited to 30, but no need to book!

Lego Club

Join us every Thursday and Friday from 3pm to 4pm for our new after school Lego Club! Aimed at children aged 7 to 12. Lego will be provided, just bring your imagination!



Age UK Albrighton Friendship Group

Join Age UK 4th Wednesday of the month – 2-4pm

For people aged 60+ to catch up with friends or meet new people from your community for a friendly chat while enjoying a cup of coffee or a slice of cake. .

For more information, please call 01743 233 123 or email enquires@ageukstw.org.uk



Blood Pressure Monitoring 2nd Thursday and 4th Wednesday of the month from 2-4pm.



SEND Drop-in Session with Georgina Roycroft from Wren Support – every first Friday of the month from 9:30am

For more information, please email wren.assessment@gmail.com or visit

<http://www.wrensupport.co.uk/>



Women's Coffee Morning – Shropshire Supports Refugees host a Women's Coffee Morning every Thursday from 9:10am to 10:10am. A great way for the Afghan residents to interact in the community.

<https://www.shropshiresupportsrefugees.org/>



Chatty Café Scheme at Albrighton Library – Every Monday from 2pm to 3pm.

<https://thechattycafescheme.co.uk/venue/albrighton-library/>



Shifnal and Albrighton Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Drop in Surgery

Join the SNT every third Monday of the month from 10am to 2pm to discuss local policing issues, report crimes, hand in or enquire about lost property, raise other policing concerns!

Everyone is welcome, come along and meet your local SNT and share what matters to you in the community.

Next dates: 16th June 21st July and 18th August 2025. Please note that dates and attendance are subject to change due to operational demands such as shift pattern changes or emergency callouts.