

News for the parishes

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Clerks – Please share the following information with your Parish Councillors

New Homes Bonus Funding Scheme Now Open for Applications!

Following the Government's review of its New Homes Bonus policy, AVDC's New Homes Bonus (NHB) Funding Scheme is once again open for applications.

NEW for 2017/18!

NHB Micro Grants up to £1,000 are now available for voluntary and community sector organisations as well as parish and town councils!

An exciting development sees the introduction of a new NHB Micro Grant Funding Scheme which is open to voluntary and community sector organisations operating within a parish, as well as parish and town councils.

Easily accessible micro grants up to £1,000 are available for a variety of purposes such as the refurbishment of village halls, buying new equipment, running costs, rent etc. and will be assessed on a monthly basis.

It is not necessary for the project to link to growth, although those that do may score more highly. Projects to be put forward for funding must evidence consultation at parish level and the application form must be endorsed by the relevant town or parish council prior to submission.

The closing date for applications **is the 15th of each month** and the first round closes on **15th September 2017**.

NHB Project Grant Funding for parish and town councils

As in previous years, the NHB Project Grant Scheme is only open to applications from **parish and town councils** that can evidence that they have been affected by growth or the impact of growth in the surrounding area.

An Expression of Interest form **MUST** be submitted, available to complete online by clicking on the link below. The completed questions will ensure an initial discussion with the Grants Officer to identify whether projects meet the criteria, to discuss other possible funding sources (including S106) and avoid abortive work for potential applicants.

If invited to the full application stage, the deadline for completed applications is **Friday 15th December 2017** for a final decision by Cabinet in March 2018. Applicants should make sure that they allow enough time between the expression of interest and the application deadline to put together as robust an application as possible.

For more information on both schemes and how to apply, please read the Information, Criteria and Guidance Notes available on visit the AVDC website at:

<https://www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/new-homes-bonus-funding-scheme>

Or contact the Grants Officer, Jan Roffe: jroffe@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk

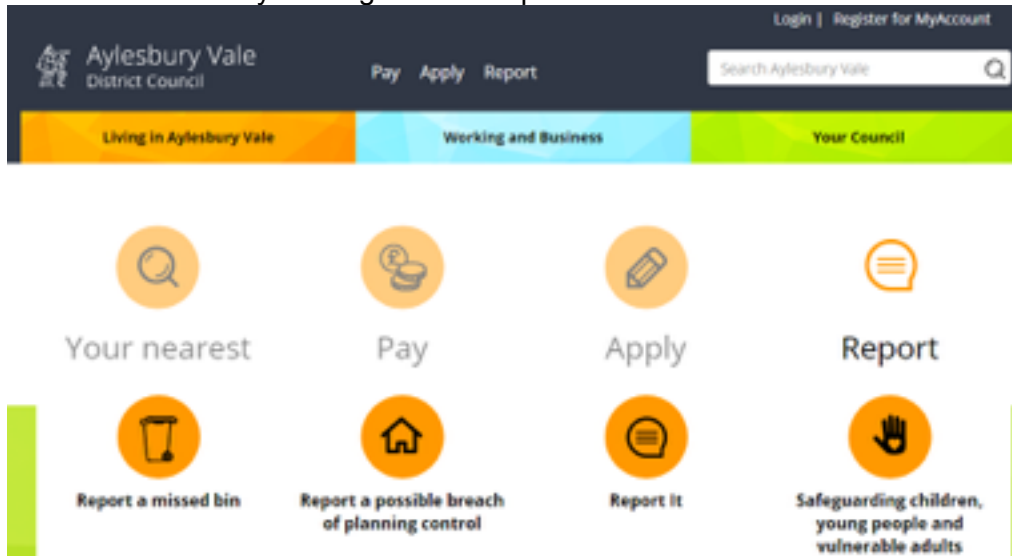
Street Scene

We are responsible for street cleansing throughout the district (adopted highway only) and the grounds maintenance of AVDC land.

Should you have an enquiry regarding please report these through our website. There are a number of online forms available with a map that allows you to pin-point the exact location of the incident.

<https://www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/section/report-it>

This can be done by clicking on the “Report It” link as shown below.



If your query does not fit one of the categories, please contact us via our mailbox: streetscene@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk

However, should it turn out that a different organisation is responsible for resolving your query, for example; VAHT or Bucks County Council, we will advise you of how best to contact them.

Abandoned Vehicles

Last year, less than 20% of vehicles that were reported to us were abandoned. In most cases, vehicles which are taxed will have a current owner. It is worth checking whether the vehicle has been taxed and has an MOT before reporting it using the websites below:

<https://www.gov.uk/check-vehicle-tax>

<https://www.gov.uk/check-mot-status>

Dog Waste Service

For any enquiries regarding this service or request for new bins please email:

streetscene@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk

VALP –Cancellation of Parishes Seminar

Due to the delay of the proposed submission document for the Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan, the parishes seminar due to have been held on Monday 17 July has been **cancelled**.

However, the next VALP Scrutiny committee will be at 6.30 pm on Tuesday 11 July, in the Olympic Room and the agenda has been published [Agenda for Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan Scrutiny Committee on Tuesday 11th July 2017, 6.30 pm](#)

Following this meeting the Scrutiny Committee will meet again on 26 September 2017 at 6.30 pm. to consider the pre-submission VALP. There will then be a Cabinet meeting on 10 October, followed by full Council on 18 October. All meetings are open to the public.

The Forward Plans team will be in touch should a seminar for the Parishes be re-arranged.

All queries to planningpolicy@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk please.

Cabinet Remits

The Leader of AVDC has appointed Councillor Mrs Julie Ward as the Cabinet Member for Civic Amenities. An updated copy of a schedule showing the services for which each Cabinet Member is responsible is attached.