

ALDERTON

Village Directory

Local clubs, services & volunteering opportunities

Welcome to Alderton

This directory has been put together by Alderton Parish Council to help you find everything the village has to offer from clubs and community groups to essential local services.

The Parish Council meets monthly and welcomes all residents to attend. Meeting dates, minutes, and local news are on our website.

www.aldertonparishcouncil.gov.uk • clerk@aldertonparishcouncil.gov.uk

Essential Information for New Residents

- **Bin Collections**

Collections are usually on Wednesdays. Check your specific schedule at www.tewkesbury.gov.uk/waste — enter your postcode for your personalised collection calendar. Recycling and general waste alternate weeks.

- **Defibrillators (AEDs) — available 24 hours**

Two defibrillators are available in the village:

- Alderton Playing Fields, Beckford Road
- Alderton Village Hall, Dibden Road

In an emergency always call 999 first — the operator will guide you to the nearest defibrillator.

- **Report a Problem**

- Potholes, roads and pavements: www.fixmystreet.com
- Bins & recycling: www.tewkesbury.gov.uk

LOCAL SERVICES & FACILITIES

Alderton Village Hall

A well-equipped venue for private events, club meetings, parties and community gatherings — centrally located and accessible to all residents.

Bookings: bookings@aldertonvillagehall.co.uk

General enquiries: enquiries@aldertonvillagehall.co.uk

Website: www.aldertonvillage.co.uk/alderton-village-hall.html

The Gurkhas at Gardeners Arms

Alderton's much-loved village pub at the heart of the community, offering a unique destination that beautifully blends the finest Indian and Nepalese cuisine with a vibrant bar experience..

Website: www.thegurkhasatgardenersarms.co.uk

Phone: 01242 620257

Village Store & Post Office

Provides everyday groceries, household essentials and postal services.

Website: www.aldertonvillage.co.uk/village-store-and-post-office.html

Milk Deliveries

A traditional doorstep milk delivery service is available to Alderton residents.

Website: www.cotteswold-dairy.co.uk

Oak Hill C of E Primary School

The village Church of England primary school, serving children from Alderton and surrounding villages.

Website: www.aldertonvillage.co.uk/oak-hill-school.html

GETTING AROUND

Bus Services — Pulham's 606

The 606 service runs through the parish four times a day (funded by Gloucestershire County Council), connecting Alderton to Tewkesbury, Cheltenham and neighbouring communities.

Timetables: www.aldertonvillage.co.uk/bus-timetable.html

The Robin — Bookable Bus

The Robin is a bookable bus service operated by Gloucestershire County Council for journeys in rural areas not served by regular bus routes. Anyone can use it — book up to two weeks in advance or as little as one hour before travel.

Book by phone: 0345 263 8139 (Mon–Fri, 8am–4pm)

Book online: www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/transport/the-robin/

App: Search 'The Robin' on Apple App Store or Google Play

Pay: Cash or contactless to driver, or pay when booking online/app

PARISH COUNCIL SERVICES

Allotments

Alderton has had allotments since the early twentieth century. Plots are rented from the Parish Council and can be used to cultivate fruit, vegetables and flowers for domestic use. On larger plots chickens may also be kept. The site is busy from spring through to autumn.

All plot holders automatically become members of the Alderton Allotment Association (AAA), which organises insurance, shared equipment and social events.

To enquire about a plot: clerk@aldertonparishcouncil.gov.uk

AAA Secretary: Lyn Court — lyncourt123@gmail.com

Playing Field & Play Area

The Parish Council owns and maintains the playing field with changing facilities and children's play area. The field is used by local football teams for matches and training.

Volunteers carry out weekly safety inspections of the Parish Council play area. New volunteers are always welcome — if you can spare a little time please get in touch.

Contact: clerk@aldertonparishcouncil.gov.uk

Defibrillators (AEDs)

Available 24 hours — always call 999 first

Location 1: Alderton Playing Fields, Beckford Road

Location 2: Alderton Village Hall, Dibden Road

Map: www.aldertonparishcouncil.gov.uk/defibrillators

Neighbourhood Watch

Alderton has a Neighbourhood Watch group coordinated by a local volunteer working with Tewkesbury Neighbourhood Policing. The group shares safety information and helps build a stronger, safer community.

Coordinator: David Johnson (active from June 2026)

Non-emergency police: 101

Police & Crime info: www.aldertonparishcouncil.gov.uk/police-and-crime/

CLUBS & SOCIETIES

Alderton Acorns Preschool

A friendly community-run preschool in the heart of the village, with an Ofsted rated Good. Open 9-3pm during term-time. New enquiries for September and beyond warmly welcomed. Volunteers are needed to help relaunch the Friday morning toddler group. Committee members also welcome.

Preschool Manager: Katie Chandler — 07842 161159

Chair / volunteering: chair@aldertonacorns.org.uk

Bell Ringers — Alderton & Dumbleton

A band of twelve ringers sharing practice and ringing between Alderton and Dumbleton, affiliated to the Cheltenham and Bristol Guild of Church Bell Ringers. Social activities run alongside ringing. New ringers of any age or experience very welcome - no need to be a church member.

Tower Captain: Paul Smith, luaphtims1949@gmail.com • 07563 153934

Tower Correspondent: John Williams, johnnywilliams70@btinternet.com

Book Club

Last Tuesday of alternate months, The Gardeners Arms, ~7.30pm

A relaxed, no-agenda book club meeting at the pub. Typically two books discussed per session — you don't have to read both or say anything at all. Wine mostly provided by members. Books sourced cheaply via World of Books and swapped between members.

St Margaret's Church — Volunteering

Churchyard mowing: March–October rota — Mike West: michaelgiwest4@hotmail.com

Church flowers: Helen West: helenmarywest4@gmail.com

Church cleaning: Helen West: helenmarywest4@gmail.com

Crib Team — The Gardeners Arms

Tewkesbury & District Crib League

Matches played on Monday nights, September to April, 7:30–8:00pm start (depending on venue).

Captain: Paul Woodman — 07483 297605

Cricket Club

Wednesday evening social wanderers cricket

A social, wandering club playing all local teams on Wednesday evenings. New members of all abilities welcome.

Contact: Rupert Kinder — rkinder@btinternet.com

Alderton Gardening Club

Second Thursday of every month, Village Hall — 7 for 7.30pm

Founded in 2018 and welcoming gardeners from the parish and surrounding villages. Over 105 members. High-quality guest speakers, free refreshments, raffle, and gardening tips each month. Annual special events with nationally known celebrity gardeners.

Membership: £10/year — includes discounted compost & seeds, reduced meeting entry (£3), and a free Christmas social.

Membership Secretary: Dave Ruscoe — djr0180@gmail.com

Golf Society

Quarterly events — all abilities & genders welcome

Started in 2020. Four events per year (one per season), typically 18 holes within 30 minutes of Alderton followed by a meal and prize giving at The Gardeners Arms. Random draw for playing partners. 30+ members.

Coordinator: Brian Spence — brianspence@hotmail.com • 07709 788793

Handbell Ringers — The Alderton Belles

Regular practices, Christmas & summer events

The Alderton Handbell Ringers have a history going back to 1986. The bells belong to the village. A group of enthusiastic ringers (the Alderton Belles!) meet regularly for practice and ring at village events. All welcome.

Contact: Kaye Hunt — kaye@mahunt.plus.com

Pub Quiz — The Gardeners Arms

2nd Wednesday of the month, 7.30pm sharp

Running for 25 years. £20 per team of four. Cash prize (half to charity), 2nd prize drinks voucher, spot prize. Up to 15 teams. Teams must be pre-booked with a team name.

Book: 01242 620 257

Skittles — Alderton Allsorts

Tewkesbury & District Skittles League - Division 1

2024-25 Division 2 champions - promoted to Division 1! Season runs September to April. Home fixtures on Fridays at Dumbleton Village Club; away fixtures Wednesday–Friday. Male players aged 17+ welcome.

Club Secretary: Guy Stirling Lee, 07737 126064 • guystirlinglee@gmail.com

COMMUNITY GROUPS & TRUSTS

Alderton Allotment Association (AAA)

A constituted association managing communal areas, shared equipment insurance, and social events on site. Works closely with the Parish Council (landlord). All plot holders are automatic members.

Secretary: Lyn Court — lyncourt123@gmail.com

Chairman: Nick Andrews

Alderton Village Hall Committee

Volunteers needed!

A registered charity run by volunteers managing bookings, maintenance, fundraising and compliance for the Village Hall. Currently only 5 people on the main committee — more help is urgently needed, particularly with the ongoing hall renovation project.

Chairperson: Nick Fowles

Enquiries: enquiries@aldertonvillagehall.co.uk

Bookings: bookings@aldertonvillagehall.co.uk

Green Fields Trust

An unincorporated association distributing over £6,000/year in community benefit funding from Gretton Solar Farm Limited. Grants available to projects in Alderton and Gretton. Two application deadlines per year: 31 March and 30 September.

Next deadline: 30 September 2026

Website: www.greenfieldstrust.co.uk

Contact: Kenneth Roles (on behalf of trustees)

STAY CONNECTED

Alderton Newsletter

Published monthly

The village newsletter covers local news, events and club updates. Free to read online or sign up for email delivery.

Read online: www.aldertonvillage.co.uk/village-newsletter

Email sign-up: www.aldertonvillage.co.uk/newsletter-signup

Village Website & Social Media

Village website: www.aldertonvillage.co.uk

Facebook: www.facebook.com/aldertonglos

Instagram: www.instagram.com/alderton_glos

WhatsApp Groups

Message Mark to join: 07973 963539 or mwjmail@gmail.com

Alderton Residents: Locals-only information and updates

For Sale / Free: Selling and exchanging

Alderton Chatter: General village chat

Alderton Parish Council

Your local council - meetings open to all residents

Website: www.aldertonparishcouncil.gov.uk

Clerk email: clerk@aldertonparishcouncil.gov.uk

Meeting dates: www.aldertonparishcouncil.gov.uk/meetings

Updates: For new entries or corrections to this directory, contact the Clerk