

Update from your Grimley Parish Councillors

Grimley Parish Council serves (in no particular order) the communities of
Grimley Village, Monkwood Green, Sinton Green, Oakall Green, Birchall Green, Moseley, Worlds End,
Dark Lane, Walton Lane, Camp Lane and all inbetween!

Chair Adam Collett (MonkWGreen)	P. Ayers (MonkWGreen)	S. Wilson (MonkWGreen)	S. Russell (Grimley village)	R. Woodhouse (Grimley village)
A. Sinclair (MonkWGreen)	G. Moore (Grimley village)	G. Probert (Wider parish)	M. Boyle (Worlds End, Moseley & wider parish)	

Mobile phone signals - The parish council has been approached by Atlas Tower Group Limited and the County Council with an idea for a project to improve mobile phone signal in the wider area. Residents that have contacted the parish council are broadly supportive subject to further details. Atlas have now begun writing to potential site providers to encourage their expression of interest. Once the parish council receives more information, this will be passed on to residents. The usual planning application process will also apply.

Adverts on roadside verges - For most forms of commercial advertising, some form of planning permission needs to have been approved in advance, and roadside advertising is no different. The first step is to raise a planning request via your Local Planning Authority (Council). The parish council has reported a number of illegal adverts that have popped up around the parish recently.

As usual, parish cllrs have also been busy reporting **potholes and water leaks** across roads. If residents see an issue on the highways that needs reporting, please visit www.worcestershire.gov.uk/ and search for 'report a road or path issue'.

District and County Council merger – The parish council has not yet received any formal notice of the County Council and District Council requirement to merge into one Unitary Council – a result of The English Devolution White Paper published by the Government in December 2024. We understand that the County Council has applied for permission to postpone the County Council elections, which were due to take place in May 2025 – for the simple reason that the councillors would have to be re-elected onto a Unitary Council the follow year and they don't want to hold elections twice. We continue to ask questions to make sure that residents receive proper representation. One immediate consequence is that the parish council website, which is currently hosted free of charge by the county council, will have to find a new home – watch this space for our new website!

Changes to the **National Planning Policy Framework** have been published and councillors are keeping a careful eye on any ongoing reviews to the South Worcestershire Development Plan and the housing figures within.

The **defibrillator** at Monkwood Green phone box is repaired and ready to be used, if and when the ambulance service directs residents to do so. In an emergency, phone 999 and the operator will tell you where the nearest defibrillator is once it becomes apparent that you need to arrange collection and use a given access code. No training is necessary and the 999 operator AND the computer voice on the defib itself guides residents how to use it. You cannot use the defib incorrectly, as the unit computer assesses whether a shock is required and whether the equipment has been attached to the patient correctly. All units in Grimley parish are suitable to be used on children. Once used, leave the defib with the ambulance crew and they or the police (if involved) arrange for the unit to be returned to the parish council.

Hedges – thank you to everyone that has helped keep the roadside verges and hedges cut back this winter. It really helps to keep the parish looking tidy and friendly.

Contact the parish clerk if you would like to receive agendas or minutes by email.

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Grimley Parish Council meeting dates 2025

Venue - Peace Hall, Sinton Green, WR2 6NP unless otherwise stated



Please always double check meeting dates and times before attendance, as meetings may unavoidably change at short notice.

The below is correct as of December 2024.

Monday 24th February , 7.30pm	- Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting. <i>Avoids half term Mon 17th – Fri 21st Feb.</i>
Monday 24th March , 7.30pm	- Annual Parish Meeting of Residents NB. The Annual Parish Meeting is not a 'normal' monthly parish council meeting. It is a meeting of the parish or town electors, organised by the Parish Council. Electors can contribute to the agenda and in practice these meetings often celebrate local activities and debate current issues in the community. It is an opportunity for parishioners on the Electoral Roll to raise any matters of concern to them that relates to their local community. It would be helpful to have written notice of any matters to be raised but it is not essential. Matters can be raised at the meeting without prior notice. (Annual Parish Meetings must be held between 1st March 1st June each year).
Monday 28th April , 7.30pm	- Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting. <i>Avoids Easter 14th – 25th April.</i>
Monday 19th May , 7.30pm	- Annual Meeting of Grimley Parish Council NB. The above is an annual meeting of Parish Cllrs, where appointments for the following take place: chairman, vice-chairman, committee members and representatives to other bodies. The public may not speak at this meeting, though they are cordially invited to attend to observe proceedings. (Standing orders states "In a year which is not an (parish) election year, the annual meeting of a council shall be held on such day in May as the council may direct."). First item: Election of chair and sign declaration of office. Retiring/previous Chair will be in attendance in order to preside over this first item only, as necessary. <i>Avoids half term – 26th -30th May and early bank holiday 5th May.</i>
Monday 9th June , 7.30pm	- Grimley Parish Council Finance Committee NB. Important Audit accounts will be signed off at the above meeting.
Monday 14th July , 7.30pm	- Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting <i>Avoids 21st July start of school holidays.</i>
No meeting in August.	
Monday 22nd September , 7.30pm	- Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting <i>At Grimley Church. St Bartholomew's.</i>
Monday 27th October , 7.30pm	- Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting <i>Provisional date. Look for half term dates.</i>
Monday 24th November , 7.30pm	- Grimley Parish Council monthly meeting
No meeting in December.	

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