



Darnhall Parish Council



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DARNHALL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT DARNHALL VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 23RD MARCH 2023 AT 7:30PM

PRESENT: Cllr L Jinks (Chairman)
Cllrs, M Sherry, R Strachan, R Langley, M Davenport, R Lee and C Williams
Dr M Bailey (Clerk)
Cllr Malcolm Gaskill (CWAC)
PCSO James Cox

1. APOLOGIES

No apologies were submitted for the meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations made by those present at the meeting.

3. MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING – 17TH JANUARY 2023 (PARISH COUNCIL MEETING)

The Chairman signed the minutes as a true and accurate record.

4. MATTERS ARISING

The following matters were raised from the minutes.

- Waste Collection – now in place and being collected from the Village Hall.

5. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman made the following report to the meeting: -

- *Parish Council Elections (May 2023)* - the Chairman announced that he had decided not to stand in the forthcoming election. He said that he had been on the Council for over 40 years and had been Chairman for over 30 years. He stated that he had enjoyed every minute of being on the Council and had not missed a meeting in all that time. He stated that a very capable council is in place with an excellent Clerk. He said that he was confident those remaining would carry on with the good work.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were present at the meeting.

PCSO James Cox updated the meeting. He said that the next police surgery is on 25th March 2023 at Brio Lifestyle Centre in Winsford, and the next

surgery at Darnhall Village Hall is on 5th April 2023. He said that he will do a surgery every month. Members asked if the PCSO could attend the Darnhall Show in July 2023.

7. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Members considered the following financial items.

7.1 Ledger/Bank Reconciliation Statement (1.4.22-28.02.23)

The ledger/bank reconciliation statement for the period 1st April 2022-28th February 2023 was presented to Members for note.

7.2 Authorisation of Payments

Members considered the following payments.

£360.53	Clerk Pay (Dr M Bailey) (Feb/March 2023)
£60.00	Domain Upgrade (Dr M Bailey) (Reimbursement)

RESOLVED: Members approved the above payments.

8. VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Members **AGREED** to ratify the minutes from the Village Hall Management Committee meeting held on 22nd February 2023.

9. PLANNING MATTERS

The Parish Council considered planning matters affecting the parish.

9.1 Darnhall Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Strachan said that an enquiry had been made about the Raven site and information had been sent out.

10. DARNHALL VILLAGE HALL

The Council considered items relating to the Village Hall.

- Defibrillator – it was agreed to consider the location of the defibrillator at the next Village Hall Management Committee meeting.
- Village Hall – it was agreed to hold a ‘walk around’ the Hall on 30th April 2023, starting at 10am.

11. CLERK’S REPORT

The Clerk’s presented his report to the Council.

12. SHARED INFORMATION

The following items were shared by Members: -

- Darnhall Bridge Closure – likely to be finished by 25th March 2023.
- Coronation – it was agreed to hold a tea party in July 2023 – have been awarded £200 for this purpose by Cllr Gaskill.

- Village Hall – quiz night to be held on 1st April 2023 and afternoon tea on 2nd April 2023.
- Election – Cllr Langley confirmed that he will not be standing in the election but would continue to be involved with the Darnhall Show.
- Tree – Cllr Davenport said that an application had been made to have trees trimmed. She also confirmed that she would not be standing at the election.
- CWAC – Cllr Gaskill confirmed that he would be standing in the election and that the boundary sign was now in place.
- Parish Council – thanks were recorded to Cllrs Jinks, Langley and Davenport for their service to the council and the community.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Parish Council meeting (Annual Meeting) is Tuesday 23rd May 2023 at 7.30pm (Darnhall Village Hall).

14. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Due to their confidential nature, Members excluded the press and public from the meeting during consideration of the following matters in accordance with section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. Reports relating to these items were withheld from public circulation and deposit.

15. DARNHALL VILLAGE HALL

Members considered quotes for a sound system for the Village Hall. The following was agreed.

- To purchase the SubZero SZPA-815 (cost around £500-600)
- This will be installed in a wall-mounted cabinet and will explore the possibility of a hearing loop
- Funds available from the Darnhall Show for this purpose

Members **APPROVED** the above purchase.

Meeting closed at 9.17pm