



Darnhall Parish Council



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DARNHALL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT DARNHALL VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 7:30PM

PRESENT: Cllrs M Sherry (Chair), C Williams, G Higgs, A
Gaskill-Jones, and R Lee
PCSO James Cox
Dr M Bailey (Clerk)

PART A

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were submitted by Cllr Richard Strachan.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest submitted to the meeting.

3. CASUAL VACANCIES

It was reported that one vacancy exists on the Parish Council.

4. MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING – 18TH JULY 2023 (PARISH COUNCIL MEETING)

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

5. MATTERS ARISING

The following matters were considered by Members: -

- Tree Planting – CWAC has been contacted and awaiting a response.
- Bank mandate – now sorted but working on online bank account.
- Notices – Clerk to contact CWAC re: notices in fields.
- Letter of Thanks – Clerk to draft letter of thanks to caretaker and Fundraising Committee

6. CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair presented her report, which was noted.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The local PSCO attended the meeting and provided updates on the area. Undertaken speed enforcement on Moors Lane/Swanlow Lane – caught two vehicles speeding. Also looked at getting 30 mph stickers for bins.

8. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Members considered the following financial items.

8.1 **Ledger/Bank Reconciliation Statement (1.4.23-31.08.23)**

The ledger/bank reconciliation statement for the period 1st April 2023-31st August 2023 was noted by Members.

8.2 **Authorisation of Payments**

Members **APPROVED** the following payments.

£360.53	Clerk Pay (Dr M Bailey) (August-Sept 2023)
£1,250.00	Caretaker Pay (Ms. A Hancock) (Oct 2023-March 2024)
£222.00	Brazendale Heating and Maintenance (Boiler Service Village Hall)
£50.00	NMC (Flyers for Parish Assembly 2019)
£396.00	Netwise (Website Costs 2023/24)
£457.00	Ellis Electrical (Work on Village Hall)
£664.88	PPL/PRS (Music Licence for Village Hall)
£573.14	Cllr Richard Strachan (Reimbursement – Sound System Village Hall)
£45.00	Chemex (Handwash for Village Hall)

RESOLVED: Members approved the above payments.

9. **COMMITTEES**

Members **RESOLVED** to ratify the minutes from the following committee meetings.

- Village Hall Management Committee – 24th July 2023
- Finance Committee – 25th July 2023

10. **PLANNING MATTERS**

The Parish Council considered planning matters affecting the parish.

10.1 **Planning Applications**

Members considered the following planning applications.

23/02370/FUL	<u>Land South of Woodford Lane West, Hebden Green, Winsford, Cheshire</u> Construction of a temporary Solar Photovoltaic Farm for an approximate 19MWp, including the installation of solar panels with transformers, a substation, a DNO control room, access track, security fencing and access gate, CCTV cameras, landscaping, and associated infrastructure.
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A draft response has been produced on this application. Members have not been able to consider the document but will review it prior to the deadline.

23/02770/LDC

Weaver Cottage, Swanlow Lane, Darnhall CW7 4DX
Lawful development certificate to establish the siting and use of office building in continuous use for more than 10 years.

Members had no comments on this matter.

11. DARNHALL VILLAGE HALL

Members reviewed the current position regarding the Village Hall.

12. CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk's report was noted.

13. SHARED INFORMATION

The following items were shared by Members: -

- Cllr Higgs – attended Zoom meeting on Crowdfunding.
- Cllr Sherry – Quiz Night in the Village Hall on 7th October 2023
- Cllr Lee – new BT hub sent for the Hall, but cannot connect it
- Cllr Sherry – funding for fingerposts (will check with former CWAC Councillor Gaskill)
- Cllr Sherry – WI did installation around remembrance time in the centre of Cheshire – Members agreed with this.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Members agreed that the date of the next Parish Council meeting is Tuesday 21st November 2023 at 7.30pm (Darnhall Village Hall).

Meeting closed at 7.30pm