



Minutes of the
Meeting of the Parish Council
held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday 3rd June 2025

Present: Cllr Cornish (Chair), Cllr Salisbury, Cllr Salvage, Cllr Harrison, Cllr Lake, Cllr Lancaster, Cllr Granger, Cllr Furness

Mrs V. Ball (Clerk)

Members of Outside Bodies / Authorities: District Councillor Nash

Members of the public: Five

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

A resident attended council to ask if there was an update about the imminent closure of The Methodist chapel and hall. Council agreed that a conversation would be needed with the chapel members to discuss what exactly would be required to keep the hall from closure including financial aid and volunteers. The hall had ongoing structural issues, and attendees of the church had dwindled in recent times. The clerk confirmed that Cllr Downing had emailed the administrator, but she would make a phone call to gather more information.

A resident asked council for consideration of their S137 grant to provide funds for the Coffee and Company sessions that were being run in the memorial hall library. The sessions were a continuation of the Warm Spaces, and were proving popular, with up to 20 people attending each week. This item is on the agenda as a parish council process, but it was agreed it could be moved to the beginning of the meeting for a proposal.

A member of Bradda Dads presented their S137 grant to council, this was to enable the group to purchase reusable glasses for the Bar on the carnival celebrations. The hope was that this would reduce single use plastics. The glasses would have a logo and a map advertising local businesses in the village. The glasses would be purchased for £2, which would be deposited back to the customer on return of the glass. The group were asking for approximately £800. It was agreed that this item should be discussed at the next carnival committee meeting in June, and for the money to come directly from the Carnival budget. If necessary, council could directly purchase the glasses for Bradda Dads as they were able to reclaim the VAT.

Cllr Lancaster, on behalf of a resident who couldn't attend the meeting asked council about plans for dredging of the brook, and if a working group of volunteers in the village could rid the weeds and silt. The clerk confirmed that she had contacted The Environment Agency to inform them that at present the brook was very low and would be an ideal time to dredge. It was agreed by council to wait for a response from The EA and if they said no to the request, to then seek permission to allow residents to carry out this task. It was agreed that an update would be presented to council at the next meeting.

Apologies for absence

108/2025

Cllrs Downing and Taylor for reason of holiday. These apologies were noted.

Declaration of Members' Interests

109/2025

Cllr Salisbury declared an interest in financial authorisations item 11 for reimbursement of the purchase of plants for village planters.

A report from Derbyshire Dales District Council

110/2025

District Councillor Nash reported that it has been very quiet at the district council, he did report that there was work being done on the Local Government Reform, and there was to be a business plan developed. Derbyshire County Council had £350,000 to complete this. He said that the likelihood was that Derbyshire would be divided into North and South but as of yet there was no firm approval of this. There was also still no update on how this would affect parish councils.

District Councillor Nash also reported that the Peak Park had completed the consultation regarding the Local Plan, and these would need to be analysed, before a further consultation period was given towards the end of the year. he stated that at the end of next year rules were changing around planning laws and so there was a pressure for the Peak Park to hit the housing targets.

Bradwell is in a good position because of the neighbourhood plan however because of the other issues arising such as review of the village development boundary, and the need for affordable housing, it might be beneficial to consider redoing the plan. This would need careful consideration as it cant just be amended, the whole process would need to be repeated. This item will be added to the next council agenda for consideration.

Acceptance and Signing of Previous Minutes and Matters Arising

111/2025

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 06/5/2025. These minutes were signed as a true record by Cllr Cornish.

There was one matter arising and this was of the amendments to the standing orders. The clerk confirmed that she had made the changes as resolved at the May council meeting, and these have now been updated to the website.

112/2025

The application for the Coffee and Company S137 grant was discussed as minuted in the public participation section. It was **resolved** to give £200 as requested to this cause.

ACTION:

Clerk to inform the group of their success and arrange for the payment of the funds

Financial Matters

113/2025

It was **resolved** to authorise the following twenty transactions along with six supplementary payments

01.	Xero	Monthly direct debit May 2025	£39.60	Direct Debit
02.	E. ON	Monthly electricity charge May 2025	£12.80	Direct Debit
03.	Cloudy IT	Microsoft Subscription Fees May 2025	£101.28	Direct Debit
04.	Water Plus	Water charges for the toilet block May 2025	£57.10	Direct Debit

05.	British Gas Lite	Public Conveniences Town Bottom May 2025	£253.61	Direct Debit
06.	Scribe	Monthly direct debit May 2025	£58.80	Direct Debit
07.	Nest	Pension contributions for May 2025	£65.83	Direct Debit
08.	HSBC	Monthly bank charge May 2025	£5.00	Bank Charge
09.	Vanessa Ball	Salary and office allowance for May 2025	£858.38	BACS
10.	HMRC	NI and tax contributions for May 2025	£82.02	BACS
11.	Brian Salisbury	Reimbursement for plants	£175.44	BACS
12.	Benjamin Wilde Well-made	Website Hosting fees for 2025	£60.00	BACS
13.	Derbyshire Dales District Council	Fees for carnival Road closure 2025	£26.80	Bank Card
14.	Derbyshire Dales District Council	Fees for Street Fayre Road closure	£26.80	Bank Card
15.	Amazon	Purchase of printer paper	£23.49	Bank Card
16.	Safetysigns4less	Purchase of various village signage-including no dogs on playing fields, no parking, defibrillator and Anti-terrorism safety signs for carnival	£270.97	Bank Card
17.	Alan Williams	Playground inspections May 2025	£62.50	BACS
18.	Bradwell Centenary Players	S137 Grant as resolved at the council meeting of 6 th May 2025	£320	BACS
19.	Barriers Direct Ltd	Purchase of new parking post for Soft Water Lane Carpark	£57.00	Bank Card
20.	Derbyshire Constabulary	Agreed amount payable to Derbyshire Police towards the Hope Valley ANPR camera project	£1467.00	BACS

Supplementary payments

A&J Cleaning	Cleaning and cleaning supplies for Town Bottom toilets May 2025	£264.00	BACS
Seton	New grit bin for Granby Road	£190.73	Bank Card
George Leeson	Gardening for May 2025	£54.00	BACS
G.E.Davies	Mowing of playing fields May 2025	£350.00	BACS
Shelter Maintenance Ltd	Bus stop cleans for Apr/May 2025	£27.24	BACS

Brian Salisbury	Reimbursement of compost for village planters.	£29.94	BACS
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Other Financial Matters

114/2025

Cllr Lancaster reported that she was unable to access the Coop Bank to review the statement, but the clerk confirmed that she had reviewed it, and there were no issues raised.

Cllr Furness raised a question regarding item six of the financial transactions and asked what Scribe was, Cllr Lancaster confirmed that it was the new accountancy software that council are using instead of Xero, however at present we were still operating Xero alongside it until everything was transferred and the year end had been finalised. The clerk stated that although Scribe was costing more than Xero, it was saving money because the software completed the accounts at year end thus reducing the need for expensive accountant fees.

115/2025

The clerk presented the accounting statement (section 2) of the AGAR for the year ending 31st March 2025 and this was accepted by council. The clerk and Cllr Cornish signed the relevant paperwork

ACTION:

The AGAR forms are all now complete and the clerk will all the required information to the external auditors for inspection.

116/2025

Council considered the request to enable the HMRC payments to be paid via direct debit, and it was agreed to accept this.

ACTION:

Clerk to complete the form to enable the payments to be made by direct debit,

Parish Council Processes

117/2025

Cllr Salvage gave a report from the amenities committee meeting of 14th May 2025, he reported that there had been no update from the organisers of a pump track. He confirmed that there was work to be done on the playing fields, which he had started, and this would also include painting of the playground equipment. He confirmed that car park plans had been agreed which he would discuss with Steve Groves at the Breedon liaison meeting.

The widening of the gate on Beggars Plot would be completed by Jamie Wilson and he was also supplying the gates. The setup would be the same as it is currently, and the posts would be removable to allow easier access for the fairground equipment on Carnival Day.

118/2025

Cllr Salvage confirmed that Jamie Wilson would also install a gate at the Church Street entrance to Town Bottom.

Parish Council Issues/initiatives

119/2025

Cllr Taylor was absent from the meeting, but it was agreed that an item about the brook dredging should be updated to the Facebook page, to confirm to residents that council were making attempts for this to happen.

120/2025

The issues with parking on Brookside was discussed by council and Cllr Salisbury reported that because of an inconsiderately parked car two of the service buses had been unable to get through. There is currently no signage or lines along the stretch to inform of no parking, yet this is the not the first time that this has happened along Brookside causing problems for the buses.

Cllr Granger and the clerk both confirmed they had spoken to Highways, and they were unable to install double yellow lines because of low funds and no resources. The question was raised whether council could fund the painting of lines. Cllr Cornish confirmed that there was also a lamp post at this site which would be an ideal place to erect a sign with permission from Derbyshire County Council. It was agreed that the clerk would contact Highways to find out what the options were.

ACTION:

Clerk to contact Derbyshire County Council for permission to install a sign on the lamp post and to ask about the line painting.

Publications / Information Received

121/2025

Communications have already been circulated electronically.

Date of Next Meeting

122/2025

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on Tuesday 1st July 2025 at 7.30pm in the Methodist Lounge, Towngate, Bradwell.

The meeting concluded at 08:25pm