

BRADWELL PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday 6th January 2026

Present: Cllr Downing, Cllr Salisbury, Cllr Salvage, Cllr Harrison, Cllr Granger, Cllr Lancaster, Cllr Taylor, Cllr Lake

Mrs V. Ball (Clerk)

Members of Outside Bodies / Authorities: Niki Wells- Housing and enabling officer for Derbyshire Dales District Council.

Members of the public: One

Public participation

A member of the Wildflower Group attended council to discuss ideas for tree planting in the village. She suggested drought and shock resistance varieties would be ideal, this included Honey-locust, hazel and certain fruit trees such as crab apple. This topic is on the agenda, but council are willing to work with the Wildflower Group to provide the best outcome for the village, to ensure that the right tree is planted in the right place.

Niki Wells from Derbyshire Dales District Council attended the meeting to update council, and to ask for their support on a new affordable housing scheme for the village. She explained that there had been a large piece of work done over housing need in the Derbyshire Dales and Bradwell had been identified as one of the villages in need.

A site had been chosen and discussions with the willing landowner had taken place. The plan is to build 18 units consisting of 1-bed houses, bungalows and 2-bed houses. These units were not to be introduced to the open market and would include an S106 clause- meaning they would be subjected to local occupancy rules.

The Community Land Trust would have ownership of the units and work with the local authority to get the required funding. It was hoped that all the preliminary work would be done by mid-2027 and the project completed within 12-18 months of this.

Apologies for absence

001/2026

Cllr Cornish for reason of holiday, Cllr Furness for reasons of adverse weather conditions.

Declaration of Members' Interests

002/2026

There were interests declared by Cllr Salisbury for item 8, for the S137 request for Bradwell War Memorial as he is the chairman of the committee and Cllr Lancaster, for item 13 as her house is on the planning application list. It is noted that both councillors are refrained from voting on the resolutions for these items.

A report from Derbyshire County Council

003/2026

There was nothing to report from County Councillor Sutton, and it was confirmed that no councillors had had communications with him. However issues in the village were discussed that would benefit from his intervention at the Highways Department, and this included what can be done to prevent HGVs accessing some of the narrower lanes, and the ongoing battle with the bus companies failing to serve Bradwell, due to parking problems on Brookside. It was agreed that the clerk would contact him.

A report from Derbyshire District Council

004/2026

District Councillor Nash is currently on holiday and was unable to attend the meeting, he did confirm to the clerk prior to the meeting that he had no updates from District Council.

Cllr Downing confirmed that both Cllrs Nash and Sutton would be attending the Flood resilience drop-in session on January 13th.

Acceptance and Signing of Previous Minutes and Matters Arising

005/2026

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 02/12/2025. These were signed as a true record by Cllr Downing. There were no matters arising.

Financial Matters

006/2026

It was **resolved** to authorise the following nine transactions and a further six supplementary transactions.

01.	Scribe	Monthly direct debit December 2025	£58.80	Direct Debit
02.	E. ON	Monthly electricity charge December 2025	£17.16	Direct Debit
03.	Water Plus	Water charges for the toilet block December 2025	£48.67	Direct Debit
04.	Cloudy IT	Microsoft Subscription Fees December 2025	£101.28	Direct Debit
05.	British Gas Lite	Public Conveniences Town Bottom December 2025	£195.08	Direct Debit
06.	Nest	Pension contributions for December 2025	£65.83	Direct Debit
07.	HMRC	Tax and NI contributions for December 2025	£78.51	Direct Debit
08.	Vanessa Ball	Salary and office allowance for December 2025	£904.78	BACS
09.	Playdale	Deposit for new park equipment for Town Bottom	£8032.94	BACS

SP 1	Alan Williams	Playground inspections December 2025	£50.00	BACS
SP 2	A&J Cleaning	Cleaning of toilet block and cleaning supplies December 2025	£279.98	BACS
SP 3	Andy Nash	New extension cable for Church St Christmas tree	£117.00	BACS
SP 4	Zach Harrison	Gritting services	£200.00	BACS
SP 5	Playdale	VAT for required deposit	£1606.59	BACS
SP 6	Derbyshire County Council	Youth Activities Invoice	£554.40	Bank Card

Other Financial Matters

007/2025

Cllr Lancaster reported that due to access problems on the banking portal, she had been unable to review the bank statement.

008/2025

Cllr Lancaster reported that she had done some research into bank accounts, and due to the FSA setting the new rules regarding monetary protection, she suggested that council closed the HSBC account and utilised the other higher interest earning accounts of Unity Trust and Nationwide instead. The clerk confirmed that the HSBC account was used by Soft Water Lane parking tenants but was sure it would be easy enough to move to another account. The remaining money in HSBC could be then transferred to earn a better rate of interest. This item was **resolved** by council.

ACTION:

Clerk to close the HSBC account and inform parking tenants on Soft Water Lane of the changes to Unity Trust.

Parish Council Processes

009/2025

The S137 grant from Bradwell War Memorial Hall was discussed, the committee were asking for eight new tables to replace damaged ones, along with a trolley to store them on, this would also make transfer from the store into the main hall much easier for all hall users. The cost of the items was approx. £900 including VAT. It was **resolved** to accept this request.

ACTION: Clerk to purchase the tables on behalf of the Memorial Hall committee.

Parish Issues / Initiatives

010/2025

It was **resolved** to update the Facebook page with information over the HGV/Bus issues once the clerk had communicated with County Councillor Sutton. There was nothing else to add to the page.

011/2025

The request for another Speeding indicator device for Dale End was discussed, and it was decided that the best course of action was to move the current one to this part of the village to monitor speeds, and to arrange a meeting with the police to discuss the issues and how they can be resolved.

ACTION: Clerk to arrange a meeting with the police.

ACTION: Clerk to arrange for the speeding device to be moved.

Parish Playing Fields, Open Spaces & Village Caretaking

012/2025

Cllr Salisbury reported that the riverbank just past the footbridge on The Dumbles had started to erode. This was due to a tree stump on the bank causing the water to divert into the side of the bank rather than follow the natural course. It was agreed that a working group should be formed to decide how best to resolve this issue.

013/2025

Cllr Salvage reported that he had identified 5 potential places for new trees on the playing field. It was agreed that this was an item for the Amenities committee and would be discussed in due course. Cllr Downing reminded council that there was a policy for no memorial trees on council land.

014/2025

The following planning applications were discussed. Cllr Lancaster was unable to comment or vote on Lyndale House, due to the declaration of interest. However there were no objections from the other members of council, and so it was **resolved** to support all applications.

Planning application	17/12/2025	NP/DDD/1225/1268	Lyndale House	Listed Building consent - Installation of Property Flood Resilience (PFR) measures.
Planning application	23/12/2025	NP/DDD/1225/1292	Within House Farm, Outlands, Bradwell	Proposed single storey side extension.
Planning application	31/12/2025	NP/DDD/1125/1205	3 Stretfield Cottages, Stretfield, Bradwell	Creation of parking frontage and dropped kerb across 3-4 Stretfield Cottages.

Future meetings

015/2025

Council were reminded about the Flood resilience drop-in Bradwell Memorial Hall on 13th January 2026.

Publications / Information Received

016/2025

Communications have already been circulated electronically

Date of Next Meeting

017/2025

The next council meeting will be held on February 3rd, 2026, at 7:30pm in the Memorial Hall Bradwell

The meeting concluded at 08:29pm