

BRADWELL PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday 3rd February 2026

Present: Cllr Downing, Cllr Granger, Cllr Cornish, Cllr Salvage, Cllr Lancaster, Cllr Salisbury
Mrs V. Ball (Clerk)
Members of Outside Bodies / Authorities: District Councillor Nash
Members of the public: One

Public participation

One member of the public attended from St Barnabas Church; she wanted to express gratitude and thanks to council for the S137 grant that had been given towards the cost of a new staircase in the church. This staircase was safer and would enable visitors to once again visit the bell tower. Unfortunately, at present, a leak had been identified on the floor with the carillon and couldn't be opened, but once this had been fixed, members of the council were invited to visit.

The resident also wanted to present a new S137 grant towards cost of retarmacking the main path to the church. The current tarmac had been laid in the 1970s and was now in need of repair. This work is essential for the safety of visitors to the church. The church committee are hoping to make the building more of a community hub that hosts not only services, but meetings, groups, coffee mornings and other events. The ask is for £500.

This item is on the agenda for discussion, but standing orders were suspended to allow it to be moved to this section, to enable councillors to discuss and vote accordingly. The consensus is that the church is an important asset to the village therefore it was *resolved* to contribute the full amount of £500.

Apologies for absence

018/2026

Cllrs Harrison and Lake for reason of work, Cllr Taylor for reason of holiday. Cllr Furness was absent from the meeting, but no apologies were received.

Declaration of Members' Interests

019/2026

There was an interest declared by Cllr Salvage for item 6 of the supplementary payments. This was for an invoice for work he had completed.

A report from Derbyshire County Council

020/2026

Cllr Cornish gave a report from a recent meeting held with members of council and County Councillor Sutton, items discussed included bus problems on Brookside, HGV issues, speeding and flooding. County Councillor Sutton reported that there were no resources available for signage or yellow lines, but now the transport section had relocated to Mayoral responsibility, the idea of a bus turnaround at Dale End should be reintroduced, and he would pass this on. County Councillor Sutton also agreed he would re-report pothole problems in the village and the clerk would contact companies such as Walker Minerals and Breedon to remind them there is no HGV access on the lanes of the village.

A report from Derbyshire District Council

021/2026

District Councillor Nash reported that the road between Great Hucklow and Bretton was going to be permanently closed by the County Council. This would mean extra traffic for Foolow and Abney. He also reported that the Queen Anne pub would be closing, and he suggested that it may be a good idea to consider listing some of the pubs in Bradwell as community assets, this would mean that if they should close then the community have the option to purchase.

Cllr Granger suggested that the formation of a working group to discuss and investigate would be a good idea. Relevant permissions would need to be sought before anything final was decided.

Councillor Nash didn't have much more to report, the plans for a unitised council were slowly progressing, and there had been a new Community biodiversity team implemented at District.

He also briefly spoke about the Peak Cluster Partnership and how the community should benefit from the inconvenience caused by the proposed plans.

Acceptance and Signing of Previous Minutes and Matters Arising

022/2026

It was **resolved** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 06/01/2026 with a small change added to the resolution of 008/2025. For clarity purposes, the action should include that the tenants are parking tenants. This was accepted.

There is one matter arising and this is item 11, to make arrangements for the speeding device to be moved to Dale End, however after a recent meeting with PCSO Boswell whereby he advised to focus the speeding efforts on just one area, and confirmation by George Leeson that speeding was more prevalent along the Main Road at Beggars Plot it was decided to leave the device.

Financial Matters

023/2026

It was **resolved** to authorise the following seventeen transactions and a further seven 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	£45.09	Direct Debit
04.	Cloudy IT	Microsoft Subscription Fees December 2025*	£101.28	Direct Debit
05.	British Gas Lite	Public Conveniences Town Bottom December 2025*	£172.77	Direct Debit

06.	Nest	Pension contributions for December 2025	£81.41	Direct Debit
07.	HMRC	Tax and NI contributions for December 2025	£111.90	Direct Debit
08.	Vanessa Ball	Salary and office allowance for December 2025	£1109.28	BACS
09.	Zach Harrison	Gritting services January 2026	£300.00	BACS
10.	Pennine Aggregates	Supply of grit salt*	£569.77	Bank Card
11.	Bradwell War Memorial Hall	Room hire December and January 2026	£44.00	BACS
12.	Sowerby Landscapes	Trimming of village hedges	£400.00	BACS
13.	Nisbets Ltd	Purchase of tables for S137 grant for Bradwell memorial hall*	£862.69	Bank card
14.	Vanessa Ball	Reimbursement for purchase of gift for resident	£35.00	BACS
15.	Networks	Signage for Brookside railings and Beggars Plot playing field*	£386.40	BACS
16.	Safety signs4less	Signage for bus route Brookside*	£114.02	Bank card
17.	SLCC	Purchase of books and required material for clerk CILCA course	£246.83	Bank Card
SP1	A&J Cleaning	Cleaning of toilet block and cleaning supplies January 2026	£308.97	BACS
SP2	Shelter Maintenance	Bus shelter cleaning*	£27.24	BACS
SP3	Derbyshire ALC	Fees for CILCA training for clerk	£350.00	BACS
SP4	PHS	Supply of sanitary waste disposal at Town Bottom toilets*	£150.43	BACS
SP5	Alan Williams	Playground inspections January 2026	£62.50	BACS
SP6	Martin Salvage	Installation of signs and maintenance in Toilets Town Bottom	£100.00	BACS
SP7	Total Security Ltd	Service and adjustment of cameras on Town Bottom*	£102.00	BACS

Other Financial Matters

024/2026

Cllr Lancaster reported that she had reviewed the Coop Bank statement and no queries were raised.

025/2026

The clerk presented the financial statement for January and reported that council was in a good place financially. The funds in the Coop account had been boosted by a recent VAT rebate of £1700.

026/2026

The clerk reported that money from the projects fund should be moved into the Coop account to enable payment for the playground equipment. To circumvent timing restrictions on withdrawals it was agreed to transfer all the money from the closure of the HSBC account into the Coop account, to cover the costs of the playground equipment, and the rest could be divided into Nationwide and Unity Trust.

027/2026

The clerk informed council that the British Gas payment as listed on January's agenda for £195.08 was incorrect. Due to a credit note that had been applied since the agenda was released, the amount was £96.06 and this has been recorded in the minutes correctly.

Parish Council Processes

028/2026

Cllr Salisbury gave a report from the Administration and training meeting of 28th January 2026. Six new policies are recommended by the committee and were presented to council for their approval. These were accepted.

It was agreed moving forward to review one policy per full council meeting, rather than trying to do it all at the Annual meeting of the parish council. The committee had also agreed to send a large selection of minutes to Derbyshire Archives for retention and storage. The clerk had presented a list of available training courses. This was included in the folder and councillors could advise if they wished to attend any.

ACTION: Clerk to send Cllr Downing the new policies for upload to the website.

029/2026

The clerk provided an update of the recent midterm review by the internal audit, and reported that council are in a good position, but as part of the Assertion 10 rules, which involves data and digital compliance, the council needed to adopt an IT policy. This had been presented to council, as minuted above, and adopted.

Parish Issues / Initiatives

030/2026

Cllr Taylor was absent from the meeting, but the clerk did report that PCSO Boswell had asked if council could circulate the information about the survey for police priorities for the next yearly quarter. It was agreed to include a post about this. Council also spoke about their concerns, with speeding, antisocial behaviour and dangerous parking needing to be addressed.

031/2026

Cllr Salisbury reported that council had received a request from Tony Marsden and other cavers who wanted to conduct dye experiments to help understand where, and how fast water, was going during heavy rainfall. which would be beneficial in assistance of flood prevention. Several benefactors had been contacted including Breedon and Alasdair Sutton. The ask was for £1750 plus VAT. Council agreed that they would be prepared to contribute up to £500, but a proper plan needed to be formulated, and an S137 grant form completed.

PDNPA & Planning matters

032/2026

Cllr Granger gave a report from the recent Peak Cluster Partnership consultation she had attended online; she reported that it was very vague, and there had been very little information about how this would affect biodiversity, noise pollution and what it would mean for residents. There were many questions needing to be answered including what the chimneys will produce, if the carbon dioxide can be reused and if natural habitats will be reinstated.

Reports from Council Representatives on Outside Bodies / Attendance at External Meetings / with Local Authorities & Other Bodies Future meetings

033/2026

Cllr Granger gave an update from the meeting with PCSO Boswell on 30th January and reported that he had suggested council change the display settings on the speed device, so that drivers were reminded of the speed limit, rather than making the rising speeds seem like a target to beat. He also suggested that council ask Derbyshire County Council to place speed strips along problem areas.

Recent meetings

034/2026

Cllr Granger gave an update from the recent Peak Park Parishes Forum, and she reported that the mayors travel plans, the tourist tariff, and recreation hubs had been discussed. Cllr Granger also reported that the local plan had been mentioned involving the settlement strategy, which would mean categories for planning could be divided into large, medium and small.

Publications / Information Received

035/2025

Communications have already been circulated electronically

Date of Next Meeting

036/2025

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

The meeting concluded at 08:52pm