



Darnhall Parish Council



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DARNHALL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT DARNHALL VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 2025 AT 6.30PM

PRESENT: Cllrs M Sherry (Chair)
C Williams, R Johnson, G Higgs, R Strachan, and R Lee
Dr M Bailey (Clerk)

PART A

1. APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest submitted to the meeting.

3. MINUTES –23rd SEPTEMBER 2025 (PARISH COUNCIL MEETING)

To resolve that the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 23rd September 2025 be signed as a correct record.

4. MATTERS ARISING

The following matters were raised by those present.

- Village Hall – it was reported that there had been no response to requests for quotes for cleaning/work on the toilets. It was agreed to approach other potential suppliers.
- Utilities – it was reported that Utility Aid had been approached
- Work on the Village Hall – it was reported that work had started on the Hall and that funding is being investigated.
- Village Hall – it was **AGREED** to contact Mellor Speakman about the issues with the building ‘moving’.
- Caretaker – the actions agreed at the last meeting had been passed on.
- Alarm – it was **AGREED** to request a copy of the service contract from Safe Security Ltd.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

6. CHAIR’S REPORT

The Chair presented the following report.

- Mill Farm House and Mill Cottages – both empty and new residents have moved onto Beauty Bank. Request to use the car park at the Hall has been refused.
- Let’s Farm – nominated in June 2025 and received an award at the

Cheshire Farms evening. The Parish Council offered its congratulations.

7. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Members considered the following financial items.

7.1 Ledger/Bank Reconciliation Statement (1.4.25-30.9.25)

The ledger/bank reconciliation statement for the period 1st April 2025-30th September 2025 was noted by Members.

7.2 Budget Monitoring Report and Receipts and Payments Summary (Quarter 2 – 2025/26) (Apr-Sept 2025)

The budget monitoring report/receipts and payment summary to the end of quarter two (2025/26) (Apr-Sept 2025) is presented to Members for note.

7.3 Budget Setting 2026/27

Members noted the 2026/27 budget setting report – it was **AGREED** to organise a Finance Committee meeting prior to the next Parish Council meeting. It was agreed to hold a meeting on 16th December 2025 at 6.30pm at a venue to be confirmed.

7.4 Authorisation of Payments

Members considered the following payments.

£408.42	Dr M Bailey – Clerk Pay – October-November 2025
£286.20	Shires Accountants (Payroll M7-M12 2025/26)
£20.00	Dr M Bailey – Reimbursement (Website)
£215.00	Safe Security Ltd (Alarm – Village Hall)
£143.30	Weaver Dairy Farm Partnership (Village Hall)

RESOLVED:

Members **APPROVED** the above payments – to be paid via online banking.

8. PLANNING MATTERS

The Parish Council considered planning matters affecting the parish.

8.1 Planning Committee

Members **APPROVED** the minutes from the Planning Committee meeting held on 10th October 2025.

9. DARNHALL VILLAGE HALL

The Parish Council considered matters relating to the Village Hall.

10. CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk's report was noted.

11. SHARED INFORMATION

The following items were shared by Members.

- Raven Inn – it was reported that there had been no information from CWAC.
- Turkey and Tinsel Event – to be held on 6th December 2025 at 7.30pm.
- Bridge – it was reported that the area is flooding and it was **AGREED** to report the issue.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Members agreed that the date of the next Parish Council meeting is Tuesday 20th January 2026 at 6.30pm (Darnhall Village Hall).

Meeting closed at 7.23pm