

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF DISLEY PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON THURSDAY 8<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2024 AT DISLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

<b><u>Present:</u></b>	Cllrs. Adams, Brownbill, Bull, Pattison, Scale, Sykes and Windsor.  Start time: 7.05pm
	<b><u>A G E N D A – P A R T 1</u></b>
3013	<b><u>To receive any Apologies for Absence.</u></b> Apologies were received from Cllrs. Bowers who was away.
3014	<b><u>To receive any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI), Personal Interests or Prejudicial Interests as defined in the Member Code of Conduct.</u></b> Cllr. Adams declared an interest in her capacity as Cheshire East Councillor.
3015	<b><u>Public Forum</u></b> A representative from Disley Community Choir addressed the meeting regarding their Community Grant application. The resident outlined the Choir's aims and explained its finances. The resident confirmed that the Choir currently had 21 members, the majority of whom lived in Disley. Cllr. Brownbill thanked the Choir for the fantastic contribution it made to the community.
3016	<b><u>To consider an application for a Community Grant received from Disley Community Choir.</u></b> Cllr. Brownbill informed the meeting that approx. £900 remained in the Community Grant Reserve for 2023/24. <b>Proposed:</b> Cllr. Pattison <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr. Scale Unanimously agreed
<b><i>Resolved</i></b>	<b><i>That a Community Grant of £200 be made to Disley Community Choir to help with the cost of a Musical Director and accompanist.</i></b>
3017	<b><u>To consider applications for the Councils' Casual Vacancy.</u></b> Cllr. Brownbill outlined the selection process, stating that the Council had asked candidates to register their interest in becoming a councillor and all candidates had met two current councillors informally to discuss the council's work and the role. Cllr. Brownbill highlighted that only discussions within the Council meeting should inform councillor's selection decision. Cllr. Brownbill explained that councillors would be balloted within the next 2 weeks as to their chosen candidate, or if they felt that none of the candidates were suitable. Councillors would be asked to provide brief reasons for their selection at the ballot, as the Parish Council wished to be transparent and candidates may like to receive relevant feedback. Cllr. Brownbill said that all candidates had been invited to the meeting and asked to consider why they were interested in becoming a Disley parish councillor, what relevant experience and skills they had, if

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	<p>they had been in involved with any local groups and which particular Council project groups were of interest to them.</p> <p>Cllr. Brownbill thanked the three interested parties for attending the meeting and expressing their interest in the role and each candidate was invited to address the Council with an overview of their interests and experience. All three candidates then proceeded to address the Council and presented their background, community engagement and ideas for the future.</p> <p>Each councillor was then asked if they required clarification or further information to help their decision-making. Cllr. Pattison requested a little more clarity on the projects which particularly appealed to all candidates and all candidates responded. Councillors thanked all candidates again for taking part in the selection process, and all candidates kindly offered their support to the Council, should their application be successful or not.</p>				
3018	<p><b><u>To agree as a true and accurate record, the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2024.</u></b></p> <p><b>Proposed:</b> Cllr. Adams <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr. Scale 4 - In Favour, 3 – Abstained.</p>				
<b>Resolved</b>	<b><i>That the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2024 are a true and accurate record.</i></b>				
3019	<p><b><u>To receive the Chair's Report</u></b></p> <p>Cllr. Brownbill highlighted the uncertainty being created around the Cheshire East Council budget proposals.</p> <p>Cllr. Brownbill reported that he and Cllr. Pattison had recently visited Disley Primary School and met with the Student Council. He reported that this had been a very successful visit and hoped that stronger links would continue to be made between the Council and the school. The students had highlighted concerns around speeding traffic, road safety and pollution. It had been agreed that the school would be involved in selecting some new play equipment at Arnold Rhodes and that this would be referred to the Leisure Facilities Project Team. The possibility of inviting students to a Parish Council meeting had also been discussed.</p> <p>Cllr. Brownbill reported that he and the Clerk would both be away for the March Council meeting and that the Admin Assistant and Deputy Chair had kindly agreed to substitute.</p>				
3020	<p><b><u>To receive Cheshire East Councillors' Report</u></b></p> <p>The following written report for December 2023 and January 2024 was received from Cheshire East Councillor, Cllr. Adams: <i>Summary of Issues Raised by Residents December 2023</i></p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Highways Improvements</td> <td align="center">2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Green Bin Charges</td> <td align="center">1</td> </tr> </table>	Highways Improvements	2	Green Bin Charges	1
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Streetlighting	1
Other	2
Total	6

*Summary of Issues Raised by Residents January 2024*

Highways Maintenance	4
Planning	1
Social Care	3
Bin Collections	7
Green Bin Charges	1
Trees/Shrubbery	2
Other	3
Total	21

Several residents have contacted me about the location of a bus stop at Newtown. I have written to Cheshire East detailing resident complaints, and Ansa Transport are commissioning Highways to carry out a feasibility study to see whether it is possible to site a shelter at the original location. Cheshire East Highways have assessed Mudhurst Lane and it is on their 2023 speed limit modifications list. The next step in the process for the delivery of the selected roads from the 2023 assessed list, subject to budget prioritisation, is due to be completed shortly.

I am continuing to chase the repairs to Buxton Road between Redhouse Lane and Greenhill Walk to deal with the folds in the road surface. There has been an increase in complaints about non collection of both black and silver bins. Unfortunately, there have been several complaints which involve complete roads being missed and a small number of cases where two or three collections in succession have been missed. I have followed up all issues notified to me by residents, and all are recorded on a spreadsheet. Most, but not all, have now been satisfactorily resolved by Ansa, and all outstanding issues will be chased up.

Can I request that missed bins are reported to Cheshire East directly in the first instance? If several houses are missed, please email me as well. If any bin collection issues are not resolved, please contact me. I am continuing to monitor service levels due to the high number of recent complaints. Many of the seven issues in the above table concern several homes or complete streets. However, we need to acknowledge that some of the issues on January 19<sup>th</sup> were due to extremely difficult road conditions. At the Highways and Transport Committee meeting on January 25<sup>th</sup>, it was unfortunately agreed to introduce car park charges at some car parks which are currently free. This includes the community centre car park in Disley. I attended this meeting and spoke against the proposal.

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	<p>Last week I reached an agreement with Cheshire East/Ansa for the introduction of a Flexilink bus service in Disley on Tuesday mornings. It will go to Handforth Dean one week and Poynton the next week. The service will commence on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March going to Handforth Dean. The service is available to all as there is no other suitable public transport to these destinations from Disley. The cost is £3 each way for both destinations or free to holders of Cheshire East bus passes. To use the service people need to register online: Ansa Flexilink or forms are available from Disley Parish Council or Disley Library. To find out more, phone 0300 123 5110.</p> <p>I am always happy to receive suggestions for content from parish councillors.</p> <p>Sue Adams 31st January 2024</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Received</b></p>														
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<p><b>Resolved</b></p>	<p><b>That planning comments as listed above are approved by Disley Parish Council.</b></p>														

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3022	<p><b><u>To note Planning Decisions as listed on Appendix. B.</u></b> There were no decisions to note.</p>	
3023	<p><b><u>To note an email from NT Lyme regarding the planning application for the proposed relocation of the visitor car park and restoration of a piece of historic parkland.</u></b> Cllr. Brownbill reported that the improvements to the Admissions Hut and the Pay-on-Exit trials were continuing to alleviate traffic problems on the A6.</p>	
3024	<p><b><u>To receive Appendix D - the Disley Parish Council Projects List.</u></b></p>	<b>Received</b>
3025	<p><b><u>Community Transport</u></b> <b><u>To note the minutes of the Community Transport Project Team meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024.</u></b></p>	<b>Noted</b>
3026	<p><b><u>Highways Maintenance and Improvements</u></b> <b><u>To note an update from Cheshire East Highways regarding double yellow lines on Bentside Road and Coppice Avenue/Coppice Lane.</u></b> Cllr. Adams reported that these traffic orders had now cleared Legal at Cheshire East Council and that she would follow up in a few weeks. Cllr. Bull reported that while reporting a pothole on Redhouse Lane, he had been informed that resurfacing work was due to start on 1<sup>st</sup> March.</p>	<b>Noted</b>
	<p><b><u>To consider Cheshire East Council car park proposals for Disley and its Consultation Report.</u></b> Cllr. Adams updated the meeting that new proposals had been introduced by Cheshire East that charges would only be applicable between 9.00am and 3.00pm but that these would be 7 days per week. She also reported that at least one car park per town or village would accept cash payment. Cllr. Adams believed that as the proposals had changed, they would need to go back for consultation. Councillors agreed that once this new consultation was announced, the Parish Council would advertise it widely to the community.</p>	<b>Deferred</b>
3027	<p><b><u>Leisure Facilities</u></b> <b><u>To receive an update on the Newtown Changing Rooms Project. (Deferred from January).</u></b> Cllr. Pattison reported that a holding email had been received from Ralph Kemp at Cheshire East. Cllr. Adams offered to raise the issue on behalf of the Parish Council, if requested.</p>	<b>Received</b>

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	<p align="center"><b><u>To note an update on signage and path improvements at Dane Hill Close Play Area.</u></b></p> <p align="right"><b>Noted</b></p>
3028	<p><b><u>Village Health &amp; Well-being</u></b> <b><u>To note the minutes of the Village Health &amp; Well-being Project Team meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2024.</u></b></p> <p align="right"><b>Noted</b></p>
3029	<p><b><u>To receive an update from Cheshire East Council regarding the Green Spaces maintenance Review.</u></b></p> <p>Cllr. Adams recommended councillors to look at the minutes of the Cheshire East Environment and Communities Committee meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> February for the latest update on this matter. She reported that Cheshire East were currently verifying the land ownership of all the sites not registered to Cheshire East. Once completed, this would have to be reported back to Environment and Communities Committee. Cllr. Adams understood that the current maintenance schedule would continue until the ownerships were confirmed.</p> <p align="right"><b>Received</b></p>
3030	<p><b><u>To consider the Cheshire East Council Budget proposals and note the Parish Council response to the Budget Consultation.</u></b></p> <p>Cllr. Brownbill reported that a number of local towns and parishes were considering formulating a joint response to the proposed mothballing of Poynton and Bollington waste and recycling centres. Councillors were in favour of the Parish Council supporting this.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Parish Council would take no further action following its consultation response.</p> <p><b>Proposed:</b> Cllr. Pattison <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr. Windsor Unanimously agreed</p>
<b>Resolved</b>	<p><b><i>That the Parish Council would take no further action regarding the Cheshire East Council Budget proposals following its consultation response.</i></b></p>
3031	<p><b><u>To consider a Local Government Boundary Commission consultation for Cheshire East.</u></b></p> <p>Cllr. Brownbill highlighted that Cheshire East Council were proposing to recommend that Disley retain one Ward Councillor but that the Disley ward would integrate Lyme Handley and Kettlethulme parishes. Councillors expressed support for this and Cllr. Brownbill agreed to respond to the Boundary Commission in those terms.</p> <p><b>Proposed:</b> Cllr. Pattison <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr. Sykes Unanimously agreed</p>

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<b>Resolved</b>	<b><i>That Cllr. Brownbill would respond to the Boundary Commission on behalf of Disley Parish Council in support of the Cheshire East Council proposals to integrate Lyme Handley and Kettlethulme parishes into Disley Ward.</i></b>
3032	<p><b><u>To consider a Cheshire East Council Pedestrian Crossing Strategy consultation.</u></b></p> <p>Councillors were in favour of the criteria and methodology outlined in the strategy and Cllr. Bull agreed to respond to the consultation on behalf of the Parish Council. Cllr. Brownbill encouraged members to also respond individually. The Clerk was requested to publicise the consultation on social media, in the eBulletin and on the Council display screen.</p> <p><b>Proposed:</b> Cllr. Scale <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr. Windsor Unanimously agreed</p>
<b>Resolved</b>	<b><i>That Cllr. Bull would respond to the Cheshire East Council Pedestrian Crossing Strategy on behalf of Disley Parish Council in support of the criteria and methodology outlined in the strategy.</i></b>
3033	<p><b><u>To receive an update on the Disley Parish Council Village Strategy.</u></b></p> <p>Cllr. Pattison reported that she and Cllr. Sykes were currently editing the strategy into a workable document and that they would try to have the final document ready for the Parish Meeting in April.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Received</b></p>
3034	<p><b><u>To receive an update on the Flexilink Bus Scheme for Disley.</u></b></p> <p>Cllr. Adams outlined the background to the Flexilink Scheme and that the scheme has had a good take up from residents. (Further details appear in Item 3020).</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Received</b></p>
3035	<p><b><u>To readopt the Parish Council's Freedom of Information Publication Scheme for 2024.</u></b></p> <p><b>Proposed:</b> Cllr. Pattison <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr. Windsor Unanimously agreed</p>
<b>Resolved</b>	<b><i>That the Parish Council's Freedom of Information Publication Scheme for 2024 is readopted.</i></b>
3036	<p><b><u>To note Appendix C – Meetings and Events Schedule.</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Noted</b></p>
3037	<b><u>To consider a quotation for safety and repair work to the St. Mary's Church clock.</u></b>

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	<p>Councillors considered the quotations supplied and agreed to go ahead with the dismantle and cleaning of the movement time side and repair to the winding barrel. The Clerk confirmed that there were funds available in the Parish Maintenance budget to cover this. It was also agreed that the Parish Council would publicise the repair work and ensure that the clock was added to the Parish Council's Asset Register.</p> <p><b>Proposed:</b> Cllr. Adams <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr. Scale Unanimously agreed</p>																																												
<b>Resolved</b>	<b><i>That the Parish Council would commission work to the St. Mary's Church clock to dismantle and clean the movement time side and repair the winding barrel at a maximum cost of £2,130.00.</i></b>																																												
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	2603	DD/290124/ALLSTAR	Biffa Waste Services Ltd - Trade waste services	£80.19
	2604	DD/290124/BIFFA	British Telecommunications Plc - Telephone Service for 01663 764019	£163.63
	2605	DD/290124/BT1	British Telecommunications Plc - Broadband	£45.53
	2606	DD/290124/BT2	Stephensons - Community Centre cleaning materials	£113.04
	2607	BACS/090224/STEPHEN	Lauren Coop - January 2024 media assistance	£129.07
	2608	BACS/090224/COOP	Eithne Egan-Bull - CC Cleaning materials and press top bins	£450.00
	2609	BACS/090224/EGANBULL	Award Cleaning Services - Community Centre Window cleaning	£82.50
	2610	BACS/090224/AWARD	British Gas - Supply of gas from 13/12/23 - 16/01/24	£23.00
	2611	Dd/310124/BGAS		£487.36
				<b>£1,574.32</b>
	<p><b>Proposed:</b> Cllr. Pattison  <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr. Sykes                      Unanimously agreed</p>			
<b>Resolved</b>	<b><i>That Payment of Accounts of £1,574.32 as listed on Appendix. A. (2) are made using the General Power of Competence and are approved.</i></b>			
3040	<b><u>To receive a Financial Statement for the period to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023.</u></b> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Received</b></p>			
3041	<p><b><u>To approve Financial Budget Comparison for the period 01/04/2023 to 31/12/2023.</u></b>                      Cllr. Adams was thanked for pursuing and securing the £2,000 Connected Communities grant.  <b>Proposed:</b> Cllr. Windsor  <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr. Scale                      Unanimously agreed</p>			
<b>Resolved</b>	<b><i>That the Financial Budget Comparison for the period 01/04/2023 to 31/12/2023 is approved.</i></b>			
3042	<p><b><u>To resolve that Agenda PART 2 shall exclude the public and press for reasons that their presence would be prejudicial to the public interest due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted or for other special reasons under Standing Order 3 (d).</u></b></p> <p><b>Proposed:</b> Cllr. Pattison  <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr. Windsor                      Unanimously agreed</p>			

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<b>Resolved</b>	<b><i>That Agenda PART 2 shall exclude the public and press for reasons that their presence would be prejudicial to the public interest due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted or for other special reasons under Standing Order 1(c).</i></b>
	<b><u>A G E N D A – P A R T 2</u></b>
3043	<p><b><u>To consider the appointment of new trustees to the Ouffs and Pools Charity.</u></b></p> <p>Cllr. Pattison highlighted that the only responsibility of the Parish Council in relation to the Ouffs and Pools Charity was to approve trustees. Rev. Stuart Cornes had kindly offered to become a trustee.</p> <p><b>Proposed:</b> Cllr. Adams  <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr. Scale  5- In favour, 2 - Abstained</p>
<b>Resolved</b>	<b><i>That Disley Parish Council approves the appointment of Rev. Stuart Cornes as a trustee of the Ouffs and Pools Charity.</i></b>
3044	<p><b><u>To consider an amended report on the proposals for the recruitment of a new Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer (RFO).</u></b></p> <p>The Clerk highlighted that the salary scale had been incorrectly stated in the original report.</p> <p><b>Proposed:</b> Cllr. Pattison  <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr. Bull  Unanimously agreed</p>
<b>Resolved</b>	<b><i>That the amended report on the proposals for the recruitment of a new Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) is approved.</i></b>

The meeting concluded at 8.45pm

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_