

DISLEY PARISH COUNCIL

The following Councillors are summoned to the meeting to be held on 13th March 2025 at 7pm at
Disley Community Centre, SK12 2BB
Please note; This

Cllrs Brownbill (Chair), Adams, Bowers, Bull, Pattison, Ross, Scale, Sykes & Windsor

Signed: Toni Critchlow (Locum Parish Clerk)

Dated: 4TH March 2025

1. Apologies

To approve any apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI), Personal Interests or Prejudicial Interests as defined in the Member Code of Conduct.

3. Public Forum

To receive comments from members of the public in accordance with guidance provided on the website: [Public-Participation-at-Council-Meetings-11-02-2015.pdf](#).

4. Communication

- a) To note Disley Parish Council (DPC) response to residents ref; CEC Parking Permits
- b) To note DPD response to residents ref; Ridgeway flooding
- c) To note DPC response to residents ref; Newtown playing fields
- d) To note Cheshire East Councils vision for Transport Consultation 24.02.25 – 21.04.25
- e) To note communication received from Cheshire Constabulary regarding Neighbourhood Policing from

5. Cheshire East Councillors' Report

To receive Cheshire East Councillors' Report

6. Minutes

To approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 13th February 2025

7. Chair's Report

To receive the Chair's Report.

8. Planning Applications

- (a) To consider planning applications received.

Reference	Details	Address	Comments
24/4605/CLPUD	Certificate of lawful proposed development for the erection of 6 tents for use by guiding	Seven Springs Guide Camp Corks Lane, Disley, Stockport, Cheshire East, SK12 2AZ	Deadline – 17 th Feb 2025 (extension to 17/3/25 requested)
25/0453/PIP	Permission in principle for 6 dwellings	Land Off Strines Road, Strines, Cheshire East, SK6 7GN	Deadline – 27 th Feb (extension to 17/3/25 requested)
25/0380/HOUS	Two storey front extension and part two storey, part single storey rear extension	36 Buxton Road West, Disley, Stockport, Cheshire East, SK12 2LY	Deadline – 13 th March (extension to 17/3/25 requested)
Decisions			
24/4577/HOUS	Single storey extension to the rear of the property – granted subject to 3 conditions	22 Storey Road, Disley SK12 2BF	

(b) To note planning decisions made by Cheshire East Council

9. Projects Update

To note all updates from Disley Parish Council project teams

10. Draft Library Agreement

To discuss and agree the draft Library Agreement as proposed by Cllr Pattison

11. Annual Parish Council Meeting 2025

To discuss and agree the format of the Annual Parish Meeting to be held on Friday 25th April 2025

12. EV Charges

To consider a proposal regarding idling charges for the Parish Council EV charge points from Cllr Sykes

13. Nationwide Business Saver

To approve the re-investment of savings in a Nationwide one year fixed rate Business Saver account with an interest rate of 4%.

14. Finance

- (a) To receive the Finance Report from the Locum RFO
- (b) **To approve** the payment schedule for 25.02.25
- (c) To note the report provided by the RFO relating to finance software
- (d) **To approve** to terminate the contract with (A) and adopt (B) as the new accounting software provider as per RFO recommendations.
- (e) To appoint a councillor to check and sign February 2025 bank reconciliation
- (f) **To approve** permission for the Locum RFO to access all bank accounts.

15. Meetings

Date & Time	Meeting / Event	Venue
10 th April 2025 7.00pm	Full Council Meeting	Community Centre

16. Part B Resolution to exclude the public and press:

16.1 *To resolve that under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information. (Staffing matters)*

16.2 To review the Clerks job description and proposed terms.

17. Close of Meeting

To note close of meeting

20/02/25

Email response to resident in relation to parking permits

Dear

Thank you for your email and for sharing your notes, statements, and photos following the Parish Council meeting. I appreciate the time and effort you have taken to document residents' concerns, and I assure you that the councillors and I will review the information provided. I have also cc'd our Clerk for this purpose.

I completely understand the frustration and disappointment expressed by some residents and recognise the desire to find a solution. However, it is important to clarify that the car park is not a Disley Parish Council (DPC) asset, nor do we have the authority to override the democratic process or decisions made at a Cheshire East Council (CEC) level.

As discussed in Part 4 of the meeting, the permits were withdrawn because the proper process—including consultation, the variation order, and other procedural steps—was not followed. This was an error by CEC officers, and we now have verbal and written evidence indicating that affected residents were not given the full and correct version of events. The best way to view this is that the removal of the permits was a necessary correction of an administrative mistake that was inconsistent with due process. This is subject now to a referral to the monitoring officer. In following up with affected residents, officers failed to properly explain why the permits had been withdrawn. I believe that some of the terminology was reckless and clearly promoted ill feeling towards the Ward Councillor and DPC. This is now subject to a serious complaint it was proposed I make to CEC on behalf of DPC at the meeting on Thursday.

I am not averse to meeting to discuss potential solutions, but as noted above, it must be understood from the outset that DPC is not in a position to provide this solution. You may or may not be aware that I have consistently suggested to residents I spoke with that a potential resolution may lie with Peaks and Plains. Since the consultation, I have encouraged residents I spoke with to pursue this avenue, as Peaks and Plains may be well placed to engage with CEC on behalf of affected residents. I was disappointed to see that this advice does not appear to have been taken up when reading the consultation responses.

Following the incorrect issue of permits, I have also suggested that residents I spoke with to consider lobbying Peaks and Plains to purchase part of the asset from CEC, which could provide a more sustainable long-term solution. Cllr Adams is already meeting with Peaks and Plains to explore how they might assist, and, if diaries permit, I will look to attend the meeting as well.

Regarding your request for a designated point of contact, I understand the need for clear communication and am happy to receive correspondence on this matter.

██ Please let me know if you would like to discuss this further.

Best regards,
Simon Brownbill
Chair, Disley Parish Council

20.02.25

Email to Rob Polkinghorne reference Concerns Over Procedural Errors and Miscommunication Regarding Disley Car Park Permits

Dear Rob,

I am writing to express our serious concerns regarding the procedural errors, inappropriate communications, and mishandling of the recent car park permit issue in Disley. The incorrect issuance of permits for the wrong car park has led to confusion and negativity towards Disley Parish Council (DPC) within the community.

The handling of this matter has not only undermined the public consultation process but has also unjustly impacted the reputation of both DPC and our Ward Councillor.

Key Issues:

1. **Misleading Communication:** On 8th January 2025, Richard Hibbert of Cheshire East Council (CEC) issued a letter to residents suggesting a "change in approach" without acknowledging the initial error or the premature issuance of permits. This failure to clarify the situation led to unwarranted criticism being directed at DPC and our Ward Councillor.
2. **Inappropriate Comments by Officers:** During our public forum in February, a resident reported that an officer stated their "hands were tied" regarding permits. This comment, without proper context, left the resident believing that DPC and or the Ward Councillor was solely responsible for the permits being withdrawn, which was not the case.
3. **Contradictory Information:** Today, 20th February, a resident claimed on Facebook and via email that 'Phil' from Cheshire East indicated that the Council was entirely supportive of the permit issuance. This statement contradicts previous communications and once again shifts the blame away from Cheshire East's procedural errors.

The confusion arising from this situation, while mainly within a small section of the community, has resulted in misunderstandings and undue criticism of DPC. Our councillors and staff have experienced unnecessary stress due to this miscommunication.

Proposed Actions:

To restore trust within the community and rectify this situation, we respectfully request that Cheshire East Council take the following actions:

1. **Public Clarification:** Issue a public statement clearly stating that the erroneous issuance of permits was due to a Cheshire East error and not a result of any action by Disley Parish Council.
2. **Resident Communication:** Provide clear and transparent communication to all affected residents, including an apology for any confusion caused.
3. **Review of Procedures:** Conduct a review of internal processes to prevent similar procedural breaches in the future.
4. **Improved Communication Protocol:** Ensure that the Ward member and Disley Parish Council are informed of any proposed communications to residents on related matters, particularly where officers' statements may implicate us.

We believe that these steps will help to rebuild public confidence and promote transparency in council communications.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We look forward to your prompt response and to working collaboratively to address these issues effectively.

Yours sincerely, Simon Brownbill

16.02.25

Email to CEC regarding flooding issues

Dear Cllr Goldsmith,

I am writing on behalf of Disley Parish Council to express our deep concern regarding the ongoing flooding issues affecting residents of The Ridgeway, Disley. At our recent council meeting in February, we heard first-hand accounts from residents detailing the significant impact this problem is having on their lives.

Residents described how even moderate rainfall causes distress, with many unable to sleep due to fear of flooding. They have resorted to repeatedly sandbagging their driveways and have spent thousands of pounds on repairs and damage mitigation. Given the road's location on the side of a hill, this persistent flooding is particularly perplexing, and we are keen to understand the root cause.

We are aware that our ward councillor has arranged a site meeting to investigate the matter further. However, Disley Parish Council wishes to formally express our strong concerns both for the residents directly affected and for road users, given the potential hazards caused by standing water and icy conditions during colder weather. Disley frequently experiences adverse weather, and ensuring safe and reliable drainage infrastructure is of critical importance.

We would appreciate your support in investigating this issue as a priority and working towards a sustainable solution that prevents further disruption and risk to the community. Please let us know how we can assist in moving this matter forward.

Kind regards,
Simon Brownbill
Chair, Disley Parish Council

20/02/25

Email to PCC in relation to speeding on Jackson Edge Road

Dears Sir,

At our February council meeting we heard how our own Speed Indication Device (SID) had recorded a speed of 65mph on Jacksons Edge Road, Disley.

This route is a 30mph zone and notably where it crosses the border into Greater Manchester is a 20mph zone. It is regularly the worst route for speeding when looking at our own SID data.

In the past Cheshire Constabulary regularly conducted speed checks on this route but these appear to have subsided.

We would appreciate any support Cheshire Constabulary can give us on addressing high speed and dangerous driving on this route and others in Disley. We note that we rarely see traffic resources in the area and would also welcome their return.

Regards

Simon Brownbill
Chair

**Councillors
Cheshire East Council for Macclesfield Local Policing Unit**

04 March 2025

BY EMAIL

Dear Councillor,

I am writing to update you on the achievements and approaches of Cheshire Constabulary in delivering the policing service to your ward areas and to update you on our Neighbourhood Policing model.

Force Inspection

Earlier this month, His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary Fire and Rescue Services (HMICFRS) published their report and judgement on Cheshire Constabulary's performance across the last three-year period.

This process is intrusive and thorough, and examines our effectiveness, efficiency and legitimacy in how we deliver our service, and what we have achieved. Their gradings position us amongst the top performing forces in the country at delivering policing, and we achieved six grades of good or outstanding out of a possible eight.

Whilst these results were pleasing, we are not complacent, and we continue to strive to be outstanding in all areas.

In line with national government ambitions, we have continued to invest in Neighbourhood Policing, something that has not been the case in all forces across the country. I know that, as local councillors, you have a keen interest in this aspect of policing and would, therefore, like to share with you our current and future delivery.

How we deliver Neighbourhood Policing

At its core, Policing is about tackling crime and disorder and being effective in our response to communities. Our Neighbourhood Policing is delivered across 122 community areas. These community areas were established from ward boundaries, whilst taking into account natural communities which cross electoral boundaries and combining a small number of wards where demand and crime profiles allowed these combinations to be more comparable with their neighbouring wards.

Each of the 122 Community areas has a Police Officer, who is allocated as part of a Neighbourhood Policing team, to be an identifiable point of contact for that community. The

Police Officers are supported by 85 PCSOs (Police Community Support Officers), who are often a known and visible presence in your communities.

These officers and PCSOs work in teams led by a Sergeant and are overseen by 12 dedicated Neighbourhood Inspectors. This model enables the teams to deliver a flexible approach and proportionate response in line with need. We have found this approach to be more effective and economical because it gives us agility to adapt while keeping a strong sense of geographic ownership.

The Inspectorate said: *"The Constabulary has updated its neighbourhood policing model to improve its standards and service to the public".*

The Neighbourhood Policing teams focus on engaging with communities, targeting offenders and problems, solving recurring issues and reducing crime. They build their knowledge and contacts, for their identified area, and work in a wider team to respond to and solve issues and crime.

Crime reporting, incidents and antisocial behaviour should be reported by the public via our website or by phoning 101 or, in an emergency, 999. Issues reported in this way may be allocated to the identified neighbourhood officers through our public contact centre, or other more specialist resources, or officers on duty at the time who can attend.

The Neighbourhood Policing teams can be contacted for engagement meetings and will take ownership of ongoing local issues affecting the community. Following a successful grant bid which reflected our strong Neighbourhood Policing model, the Constabulary was able to use £1m of Home Office funding during 2024-2025 to provide additional Neighbourhood Policing patrols in eight of our "hot spot" beat areas with the most antisocial behaviour and where public space violence was highest. These patrols enabled considerable reductions in antisocial behaviour and violence and increased confidence. Due to the success of this innovation, we have been awarded a repeat of this grant for the next financial year to focus additional patrols in fresh hotspot areas and achieve the same results.

As part of engaging with communities and understanding their issues that Policing has a role in addressing, we use a system called 'Residents' Voice'. This enables residents to let us know their views on policing and can be accessed at any time. The information provided via Residents' Voice is used to set local policing priorities which the named individual officers, and their wider teams will seek to address. The Residents' Voice system is quick and easy to use and can be found at: www.cheshire.police.uk/residentsvoice.

I encourage you to use this to tell us about policing in your area and the priorities as you see them.

Future Growth

As a Constabulary, we are making good progress in delivering our elements of the government's Neighbourhood Policing guarantee. We will be increasing our neighbourhood policing teams by introducing Problem Solving Officers from broader local policing and recruiting an additional 30

Police Officers to bolster neighbourhood policing during the financial year 2025-2026. This brings the total number of Police Officer posts in Cheshire to 2440 – the highest since Cheshire Constabulary's inception.

Force Performance

As evidenced in the Inspectorate's report and, by focusing our police officers on preventing and investigating crime to bring offenders to justice, our crime solved rates are some of the highest nationally. This acts as a natural deterrent to those intent on blighting our communities, and supported by good problem solving, we have seen crime fall. By way of example, in Cheshire, we charge to court a higher proportion of sexual offences than any other force. We have seen a reduction in overall crime which leads to officers being more available to engage with communities and to respond to incidents quickly.

Having invested in our Public Contact Centre, the joint impact of this is a much-improved response to emergencies and priority calls coming into us.

During 2024, over 90% of emergency (999 calls) were answered within 10 seconds. Officers arrived on scene, in, on average, 7 minutes 49 seconds, and 92% of incidents are attended within 15 minutes from the call connecting to us.

Calls made to us on 101, the non-emergency number, had historically seen delays, with demand often overwhelming capacity. Before 2020, there were times callers could be waiting up to 45 minutes for their call to be answered. That has now changed, and we now answer non-emergency calls in a little over 4 minutes on average, compared to over 9 minutes back in 2021.

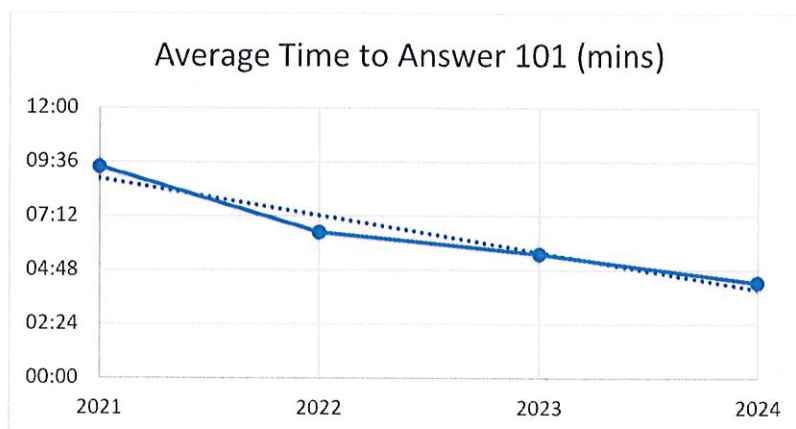


Chart: the average time in minutes for us to answer non-emergency calls, from 2021 to 2024

When we receive non-emergency calls, we attend promptly or by arrangement. Currently, we are attending 89% of priority calls within the hour. On average, we attend within 38 minutes.



This represents much better service to the public and has many contributing factors including effective Neighbourhood Policing, which makes us more effective at responding when we are needed the most. In 2025, the force is improving how it services more routine calls, ensuring we are able to meet at least 80% of requirements for us to attend a scene or victim within 24 hours, or by arranged appointment.

Named Officer Contacts

The continued investment in Neighbourhood Policing and growth in this area will allow us to prevent harm and crime and protect vulnerable people. We understand it is important to communities to have an identifiable officer who is familiar with their area and who can be a point of contact for them. For ease of reference, I attach a list of the current allocated officers for each of the community areas in Cheshire. However, as these inevitably change over time, up to date details are available on our website.

Macclesfield Hursfield	PC	Callum Burness	30089
Poynton East & Pott Shrigley	PC	Christopher Howard	5482
Wilmslow West & Chorley	PC	Ben Ambage	30567
Prestbury & Alderley Edge	PC	Emily Mackintosh	30244
Knutsford	PC	Danny Martin	30159
Gawsworth & Chelford	PC	Dave O'Connor	30130
Macclesfield Tytherington	PC	Ryan Smith	30594
Disley	PC	Jane Nuttall	31100
Poynton West & Adlington	PC	Jarrad Sainsbury	30361
High Legh & Mobberley	PC	John Milman	30219
Wilmslow Dean Row & Lacey Green	PC	Kate Meikle	4615
Wilmslow East	PC	Maddie Forrest	30387
Handforth	PC	Matthew Rowbotham	4562
Bollington	PC	John Bruce	30846
Macclesfield Central	PC	Adam Archer	30322
Broken Cross & Upton	PC	Cecil Silva Riccardo	30483
Macclesfield West & Ivy	PC	Jon Williams	30167
Macclesfield East & Sutton	PC	James Barlow	30845
Macclesfield South	PC	Tom Bradley	37256

Yours sincerely,

Mark Roberts QPM MSc. B.A. (Hons)
Chief Constable
NPCC Lead Football Policing
NPCC Service Director for Senior National Assessment

Cheshire East Councillor Report February 2025 for Disley Parish Council**Summary of Issues Raised by Residents February 2025**

Flooding	1
Car Park Charges	1
Library	1
Highways	5
Planning	3
Other	2
Total	13

Highways

I am pleased to report that Cheshire East Highways started work today as planned (3 March) on highways improvements on Redhouse Lane. The project will take approximately 3 weeks to complete. A road closure will be in place in phases, but bin collections will not be affected, and access will be maintained for emergency services at all times. The work will include constructing a new footway under the railway bridge and resurfacing the carriageway between Duddy Road and the A6 Buxton Road.

I am attending a site meeting on 5 March on The Ridgeway to discuss the regular flooding issues experienced by residents. The meeting will be attended by representatives from Cheshire East Highways, United Utilities and residents to discuss what can be done to prevent future flooding of properties in this location.

Jacksons Edge Road had to be closed recently due to United Utilities carrying out essential maintenance on the Wybersley water treatment works. To keep the water flowing through customer taps and minimise disruption, they had to deploy water tankers to the Disley (Jacksons Edge Road), Stockport, New Mills and Whaley Bridge areas.

Highways works scheduled for 27th to 31st January on Buxton Road/Market Street had to be cancelled at short notice due to the closure of Buxton Old Road. This was due to emergency work being carried out by United Utilities relating to the water supply in Whaley Bridge and surrounding villages. In addition, the B5470 Whaley Bridge to Macclesfield road has been closed since January 20th due to a road collapse. The work on Buxton Road/Market Street will need to be re-scheduled for a later date.

Although some gully cleaning has been done recently, further gully cleaning is required, and I shall continue to engage with Cheshire East Highways on this vital work needed to help prevent further flooding in our village.

I continue to engage with Cheshire East Highways over the extremely poor condition of the road surface on the Cheshire East section of the B6101 Strines Road and over flooding issues on this road.

There is a lot more work needed to bring roads in Disley and Newtown up to an acceptable standard, and I shall continue to pursue this work on behalf of residents. However as noted above, progress is being made.

Library

The proposal put forward by Disley Parish Council to provide further library hours to support the Disley community by enabling Disley Library to continue to open on Saturday mornings was approved by Cheshire East Environment and Communities Committee on the 27th of November. I raised the delay in agreement of the funding contract for Saturday mornings at the meeting of Cheshire East Council on 26th February, and I am pleased to say that Disley Parish Council has now received an amended contract for review. A timetable will hopefully be agreed shortly for the training of volunteers.

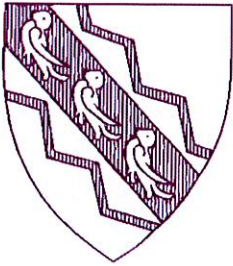
From January, Disley Library is no longer open on Tuesdays. The new opening hours are Wednesday and Saturday 9.30am to 1.00pm, Thursday 2.00 to 5.30pm, Friday 2.00 to 6.00pm.

Car Park Charges

Car parking charges at the community centre and station car parks owned by Cheshire East commenced on Monday 2nd December. Note that the community centre car park remains a short stay car park with a maximum stay of 3 hours. Charges at the community centre car park apply from 8am to 3pm from Monday to Saturday. This car park is free after 3pm and all day on Sundays.

I am always happy to receive suggestions for content from parish councillors.

Sue Adams
3rd March 2025



DISLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from the meeting held 13th February 2025 at 7pm at Disley Community Centre, SK12 2BB.

Attended by: Cllrs Brownbill (Chair), Adams, Bowers, Bull, Pattison & Windsor

Also attended by 21 members of the public (MOP)

Clerk to the meeting: Toni Critchlow (Locum Clerk)

1. To receive any apologies for absence.

NOTED: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Ross, Sykes and Scale.

2. To receive any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI), Personal Interests or Prejudicial Interests as defined in the Member Code of Conduct.

NOTED: Cllr Adams declared interests in agenda items relating to Cheshire East Council (as an elected member of CEC)

3. Public Forum

NOTED: MOP 1 presented a report about parking permits for Crabtree Court residents which erroneously issued and then revoked. MOP 1 requested DPC to arrange a meeting with residents and to appoint a nominated member as a point of contact. Cllr Brownbill asked for a copy of the MOP's report so it could be circulated to Councillors for further discussion.

ACTION: Cllr Brownbill.

NOTED: MOP 2 spoke about flooding at The Ridgeway SK12 2JQ and requested the support of DPC to bring the matter to the attention of Cheshire East Highways Authority, Cheshire East Environmental Committee and Cllr Sue Adams and request DPC to monitor the situation in a monthly basis. Cllr Brownbill advised that he would write to Cheshire East in support of the residents' concerns.

ACTION: Cllr Brownbill.

NOTED: MOP 3 raised concerns about boggy conditions at the Newtown playing fields. Cllr Pattison agreed to contact and meet the resident to discuss the issues.

ACTION: Cllr Pattison

4. Communication

NOTED: Complaints received re; parking permits were noted. DPC to write a statement for general circulation to explain the current situation.

ACTION: Cllr Brownbill

NOTED: Resident proposal re; addition of a padel tennis court in Disley was discussed – it was considered that other organisations were better placed to offer this sport as DPC does not have the facilities to do so.

NOTED: Speed data from Jacksons Edge Road was noted.

5. To receive Cheshire East Councillors' Report.

NOTED:

- Highways improvements on Redhouse Lane are scheduled to begin on 3rd March 2025.
- Re-lining of the crossroads at Ram Green is planned to be carried out on a Sunday before the end of March.
- Highways works scheduled for 27th to 31st January on Buxton Road/Market Street had to be cancelled at short notice due to the closure of Buxton Old Road and will be rescheduled for a later date.
- I am working with residents of The Ridgeway and Cheshire East Highways to find a solution to the frequent flooding that they are experiencing. (Awaiting confirmation of a site meeting with CEH on 5 March).
- Further gully cleaning is required, and I shall continue to engage with Cheshire East Highways on this vital work needed to help prevent further flooding in our village. There is a lot more work needed to bring roads in Disley and Newtown up to an acceptable standard, and I shall continue to pursue this work on behalf of residents. However, progress is being made.
- Library - The proposal put forward by Disley Parish Council to provide further library hours to support the Disley community by enabling Disley Library to continue to open on Saturday mornings was approved by Cheshire East Environment and Communities Committee on the 27th of November.
The new opening hours are Wednesday and Saturday 9.30am to 1.00pm, Thursday 2.00 to 5.30pm, Friday 2.00 to 6.00pm.
- Car Park Charges
Since the introduction of car parking charges, many residents have expressed their concerns about the problems this has caused. These relate to issues of increased on street parking to avoid paying parking charges. This has impacted pedestrian safety and made driving in Disley more hazardous for all. I have also received complaints of failed bin collections due to roads obstructed by parked cars. Complaints of obstruction have been forwarded to the local police.
When Cheshire East Council started to issue resident parking permits, I received comments questioning what limit had been placed on the total number of permits that would be issued and whether it was equitable to issue two permits per household. Residents also asked why they had not been consulted before permits

were issued. It was suggested that the 30 spaces in the community centre car park should be kept available for people using community facilities such as the community centre, library, surgery and local shops and other businesses. I have also received several complaints about the revocation of resident permits for the community centre car park with the offer of permits for the long stay Cheshire East car park at Disley station on the same basis.

- I have requested a meeting with Peaks and Plains to understand how they manage the 13 spaces available to their tenants.

6. To agree, as a true and accurate record, the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 12th December 2024.

RESOLVED: Subject to agreed amendments, the minutes were unanimously approved and signed.

NOTED; It was noted that the meeting scheduled for 9th January 2025 was cancelled due to adverse weather conditions.

7. To receive the Chair's Report.

NOTED:

Good News.

- Big congratulations to Rachel on her new addition
- Works on Red House Lane are finally due to commence. I would like to thank Cllrs Adams, Pattison, and Bull who have all to varying degrees helped see this through.
- Ram Green crossroads to be relined shortly.

I'd like to extend my sincere thanks to our Parish Council staff, who have continued to work tirelessly through the period alongside our fantastic locums Toni and Jo. An update on staffing matters will take place in part 2.

The severe weather conditions in January unfortunately led to the cancellation of our scheduled meeting, but work has continued behind the scenes to ensure ongoing projects remain on track.

Communications from residents, notably regarding parking permits, a proposal for a Padel tennis court, and concerns about vehicle speeds on Jacksons Edge Road. The recorded top speed of 65mph is particularly concerning, and we must consider appropriate measures to enhance road safety in this area.

Cheshire East Council has provided updates on a range of planning applications, and we will be discussing several proposals later in this meeting, including developments on Buxton Old Road, Storey Road, and Jacksons Edge Road, as well as proposed improvements at Disley Primary School and the Blue Grass Purple Cow Nursery.

Our community initiatives continue to progress well, with updates from the Health & Wellbeing Meeting, Community Transport Meeting, and Events Team Meeting.

Additionally, improvements to our leisure facilities and drainage works on Red Lane are in progress.

Looking ahead, we will be considering several financial matters, including re-investment options for our Business Saver account, IT equipment purchases to support staff operations, and first aid training for council employees. I encourage all councillors to give these matters due consideration to ensure the continued financial prudence and operational efficiency of the council.

Furthermore, discussions will take place regarding the village newsletter, recruitment of locum staff, and health and safety protocols for the Community Centre. Ensuring the safety of our staff and visitors remains a top priority, and I welcome input from councillors on how best to enhance these protocols.

Lastly, I want to acknowledge the ongoing efforts of all councillors in supporting our community. Your commitment to serving Disley is invaluable, and I look forward to our continued work together in the coming months.
Thank you.

8. To consider planning applications received.

NOTED: It was unanimously agreed to forward the following comments to Cheshire East Council. 1 Abstention (Cllr Adams)

Reference	Details	COMMENTS
24/4605/HOUS	Replacement carport and widened side conservatory / porch	Comments submitted to CEC Planning on 15/1/25
24/4812	Two storey extension, front Dutch gables altered to form gables and alterations to doors and windows	<i>No objections</i>
24/4577/HOUS	Single storey extension to the rear of the property	<i>No objections</i>
24/5102/FUL	Demolition of existing dwelling at 28 Jacksons Edge Road and erection of replacement dwelling, and replacement of existing detached garage for 30 Jacksons Edge Road	Disley Parish Council raises concerns regarding loss of privacy and Right to Light and requests that the planning officer makes a site visit to fully understand these issues.
24/5143/FUL	Installation of 6 air source heat pumps ground mounted in single location.	<i>No objections</i>
24/5225/FUL	The demolition of the existing single-storey timber annexe; single storey side extension with pitched roof providing relocated entrance; single storey side extension to the rear garden room, to extend teaching space lost by the annexe; upper extension to rear single storey pitched roof block to provide extended staff room with formation of one doorway from the existing former Chapel mezzanine; upper extension above the rear garden room to provide teaching space within	Disley Parish Council notes comments by the Conservation Officer and has no objections.

	the pitched roof; siting of an external timber cabin to provide external sensory teaching space.	
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NOTED: Planning decisions were noted.

9. Disley Parish Council projects update

NOTED: It was noted that The Health & Wellbeing meeting notes from 23/01/25 were not in the agenda pack.

NOTED; The notes from the Community Transport meeting held on 26/11/24 were noted.

NOTED; The notes from the Events Team meeting held on 13th January 2025 were noted. It was noted that the fireworks evaluation was under review.

10. Leisure Facilities Improvements

NOTED: It was noted that works were instructed to the lighting column at the MUGA by the Locum RFO on 18/12/24

11. Drainage Issues

NOTED: It was noted that investigative works at Red Lanne were instructed by the Locum RFO on 19/12/24

12. EV Charges

NOTED: It was noted that EV proposals would be referred to the March meeting.

13. Replacement Village Sign (A6)

NOTED: It was noted that Disley Parish Council is responsible for the replacement of the sign.

NOTED; It was noted that Cllr Adams would pursue funds from the member's budget.

ACTION: Cllr Adams

14. Nationwide Business Saver

NOTED: It was noted that the savings account reached maturity on 23rd December 2024 with a balance of £87,485.73

NOTED: Consideration of re-investment to Nationwide one-year fixed rate Business Saver Account was agreed for ratification in March.

15. Finance

RESOLVED: It was unanimously agreed to retrospectively approve the purchase of an additional laptop at a cost of £500.00 + VAT for the locum clerk.

NOTED: Finance reports from the locum RFO were received and noted.

RESOLVED: It was unanimously agreed to approve the payments schedules as received from the locum RFO for 7th January 2025, 20th January 2025, 4th February 2025

NOTED; It was agreed that Cllr Scale be appointed to check and sign December 2024 bank reconciliations.

NOTED; It was agreed that Cllr Scale be appointed to check and sign January 2025 bank reconciliations.

ACTION: CLERK

RESOLVED: It was unanimously agreed to approve the cost of £450.00 + VAT for emergency first aid training for all staff with Michelle Hay Training.

ACTION: CLERK

NOTED/DEFERRED; It was agreed that the baby first aid training course be deferred to March. The provisional booking to be cancelled.

ACTION: CLERK

RESOLVED: It was unanimously agreed to approve the cost of £150.00 + VAT for the reinstatement cost assessment from Cardinus for insurance purposes

ACTION: CLERK

NOTED: DPC updated schedule of lettings was noted.

NOTED: Community grant application was considered and refused as it did not meet the necessary criteria.

ACTION: CLERK

16. Health & Safety of the Community Centre Building

NOTED: It was noted that a review of safety protocols was necessary following recent events. Clerk to present a full report and recommendations for the next meeting. Clerk was instructed to introduce a locked door policy for the hire of the community hall as soon as possible, with the introduction of a doorbell for users of the hall. Hirers forms to be amended accordingly.

ACTION: CLERK

17. Village Newsletter

NOTED: It was agreed to suspend the May issue of the newsletter due to staff shortage.

18. Staffing

RESOLVED: It was unanimously agreed to approve the recruitment of a locum clerk for 12 hours per week and a locum RFO for 5 hours per week in the absence of the Clerk

19. Meetings

NOTED: *The following meeting dates were noted*

Date and Time	Meeting	Venue
19 th February 2025	PCC Meeting	Holmes Chapel Community Centre, Holmes Chapel CW4 8AA
13 th March 2025 7.00pm	Full Council	DPC Community Centre
17 th March 2025 10.00am	Events	Via TEAMS
20 th March 2025 10.00am	Health & Wellbeing	Via TEAMS

20. Part B

RESOLVED; It was unanimously agreed to exclude the press and public from the following item.

NOTED; Staffing updates were noted from Cllr Brownbill

21. Close of meeting

NOTED; The meeting was closed at 9.00pm

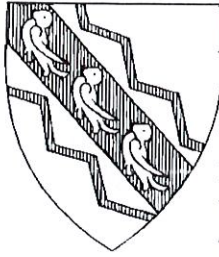
Appendix	Planning Applications
24/4605/CLPUD	Certificate of lawful proposed development for the erection of 6 tents for use by guiding <i>Seven Springs Guide Camp Corks Lane, Disley, Stockport, Cheshire East, SK12 2AZ</i>
Comments	Deadline – 17 th Feb 2025 (extension to 17/3/25 requested)
25/0453/PIP	Permission in principle for 6 dwellings <i>Land Off Strines Road, Strines, Cheshire East, SK6 7GN</i>
Comments	Deadline – 27 th Feb (extension to 17/3/25 requested)
25/0380/HOUS	Two storey front extension and part two storey, part single storey rear extension <i>36 Buxton Road West, Disley, Stockport, Cheshire East, SK12 2LY</i>
Comments	Deadline – 13 th March (extension to 17/3/25 requested)
Decisions	
24/4577/HOUS	Single storey extension to the rear of the property – granted subject to 3 conditions <i>22 Storey Road, Disley SK12 2BF</i>

Disley Parish Council Project Teams 2024/25

06/03/2025

PROJECT	OBJECTIVES	PROJECT LEAD	PROJECT TEAM MEMBERS	UPDATES
Community Centre and environs improvements	To consider and implement improvements to the Community Centre and car park and reduce the impact of the council's activities on the environment.	Cllr. Sykes Cllr. Pattison	Cllr. Windsor Cllr. Scale Cllr. Ross	21/02/2025 - Cllr. Sykes - EV access, parking, charges and maintainable items were discussed at last DPC meeting. We are waiting on DPC members to agree a way forward regarding use, access and misuse of said provisions. 03/04/2024 - Cllr Pattison - No update.
Community Transport Scheme	To monitor on-going effectiveness of the Community Transport Scheme.	Cllr. Adams	Cllr. Windsor Cllr. Bowers Admin Assistant Parish Clerk	28/02/25 - Cllr Adams - Good programme of trips for March/April. 02/08/24 - Cllr Adams - repairs completed on time and bus back in use from 01/08/24. Weekly shopping starts 01/08/24 and trips programme prepared for August and September. Group hires currently not available. 01/07/24 - Cllr Adams - Bus booked in for repairs w/c 15/7/24. Two weeks allowed for bodywork repairs. We should be in a position to give a date for service to resume once repairs are complete. 04/06/2024 - Cllr Adams - Community coffee morning on June 1st raised £470.10. See update in agenda pack. 03/04/2024 - Cllr. Adams - Meeting arranged for 10th April to discuss recent damage to the bus.
Street scene and village maintenance	TBC	Cllr. Bull	Cllr. Brownbill Cllr. Ross Cllr. Pattison Cllr. Sykes	28/02/25 - Work - footway under railway bridge - planned to start at Redhouse Lane on 3rd March. White lining at Ram crossroads anticipated in March - including areas missed during major A6 works in 24. (work at night). Cllr Adams meeting United Utilities to investigate flooding on Ridgeway. Work to update previous Street Scene schedule to be undertaken this month. 04/06/2024 - Cllr Bull - Work started on highways improvements between Ram Green and Newtown. Work mainly consisted on resurfacing areas of badly damaged road surface and new white lines. It is hoped some selected drain cleaning and road sweeping may be undertaken. CEC have indicated work to construct a walkway under Red House Lane railway bridge is likely to be undertaken in September. This is subject to budget approval. Consultation has also been undertaken with Bentside residents to instal double yellow lines to allow earlier access to bin lorries and emergency vehicles.
Leisure Facilities Improvements	To improve the facilities and environment at Arnold Rhodes, Newtown and the Station Ballpark and consider new community-led initiatives.	Cllr. Pattison	Cllr. Bowers Cllr. Scale Cllr. Brownbill	28/2/25 - Cllr Pattison - Project group to meet with Ranger - date tbc. MUGA - replacement floodlight has been installed. Arnold Rhodes - equipment cleaning to be booked for end March. Newtown - JP has held meeting with residents re waterlogged areas and investigative works to be carried out. JP has contacted UU re concerns that water pipe may be leaking. Leaks in changing rooms have been dealt with. Further estimates needed re reinstatement of wall. Mole "infestation" has been dealt with. Estimates being requested for upkeep of football pitch. 04/06/2024 - Cllr Pattison - Project group meeting scheduled for 8th July 2024 03/04/2024 - Cllr Pattison - No update.

PROJECT	OBJECTIVES	PROJECT LEAD	PROJECT TEAM MEMBERS	UPDATES
Village Events	To develop and monitor a broad range of Community Events.	Parish Clerk	Cllr. Windsor Cllr. Scale Cllr. Pattison Admin Assistant	<p>27/2/25 - Admin Asst - Spring Litter Pick has been arranged for 29th March. Christmas Extravaganza - the project team will submit a report to the April council meeting covering a review of the arrangements and content of this event for councillors to agree the format for 2025.</p> <p>02/08/24 - Parish Clerk - Disley Showcase very successful event.</p> <p>01/07/2024 - Parish Clerk - Defib Training 1 session of 2 originally booked took place 20th June, with positive feedback received. Promotion for Community Showcase to now commence prior to next Events Planning meeting on Weds 10th July.</p> <p>03/06/2024 - Parish Clerk - Promotion for 20th June Defib Training in progress, Community Showcase new banner received.</p> <p>28/02/25 - Cllr Adams - Notes from meeting 23/1/25 included in agenda pack (already emailed but missed from February pack). Next meeting 20th March on Teams</p> <p>02/08/24 - Cllr Adams - verbal update to be provided at council meeting</p> <p>01/07/2024 - Cllr Adams - Next meeting Thursday 1st August. Good progress on several health and wellbeing initiatives.</p> <p>04/06/2024 - Cllr Adams - Notes from meeting 23rd May in agenda pack. 03/04/2024 - Cllr. Adams - Notes from meeting 21st March in agenda pack.</p>
Village Health & Well-being	To improve the village Health & Well-being through new initiatives such as social isolation reduction and to encourage community volunteering.	Cllr. Adams	<p>Cllr. Windsor Parish Clerk</p> <p>External members: Clare Johnson - CEC Frances Underhill - EOLP Leah Isadora - Middlewood Practice Lisa Joslin - East Cheshire NHS/BDP</p>	



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Disley Parish - Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING will be held at Disley Community Centre on Friday 26th April 2024 at 7.00pm.

Disley and Newtown residents are invited to attend.
There will be refreshments and informal discussion from 6.30pm.

The Parish Meeting is an opportunity for residents of Disley and Newtown to raise any matters of concern or interest to the local community. The Parish Meeting is *not* a Disley Parish Council meeting, although it is usually chaired by the Chair of the Parish Council.

AGENDA

1. Notice of the Meeting
2. To receive, and if approved, confirm the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Friday 21st April 2023.
(Draft minutes are available on the Parish Council website at: www.disleyparishcouncil.org.uk or from the Parish Office).
3. To receive a presentation from the St. Mary's Church 500 team outlining their plans for the year.
4. To receive an overview from Disley Primary School of current and future plans.
5. To receive an update on Policing in the village from the Disley Policing Team.
6. To receive a report from the Chair of Disley Parish Council on the activities of the Parish Council over the past year and its' plans for 2024.



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7. To receive a report from the Chair of Disley Parish Council's Finance Committee on the Parish Council's finances for year ending 31st March 2024.
8. Public forum - an opportunity for residents to raise any matters of Parish interest.

Cllr. Simon Brownbill
Chair of Disley Parish Council

To consider idling charges for the Parish Council EV charge points.**Background**

The Parish Council is experiencing issues with EV users charging their vehicle and then leaving the vehicles in the EV parking bays for long periods after the charge is complete.

It is anticipated that this issue will increase once parking charges are implemented across the car park.

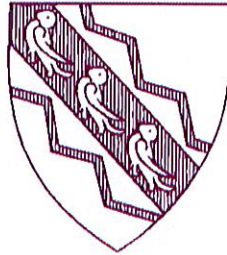
Proposal

There may be a facility on the Charge Point software for an "Idle Charge" to be applied once the vehicle is fully charged. The only proviso is that charge points need to have "Release detection" to use this fee, and this can only be tested once the idle charge has been implemented.

To set the idle charge the Council needs to consider:

1. How much the idle charge would be per minute e.g. 3p per minute would equate to £1.80 hour.
2. What the maximum fee would be e.g. if the maximum fee was £25 that would equate to about 14 hours using the 3p figure.
3. How soon after the full EV charge has been completed would the idle charge commence e.g. would there be a 15 or 30 minute grace period?

It has been suggested that signage should be posted on the EV unit and on the Parish Council website prior to an idle charge being introduced.



DISLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Finance Report

Dated: 7/03/2025

Prepared by: Jo O'Donoghue, Locum Clerk (FSLCC)

Explanation

This report presents the Financial Statement as of January 31, 2025, along with details of income and expenditure from December 31, 2024, to January 31, 2025. It also includes a statement of reserves up to the report date, March 7, 2025.

Significant variances between budgeted and actual expenditure are provided as follows:

- **Streetlighting capital expenditure (Code 231)** exceeds the budget by 83%, with a budgeted amount of £1,000 and an actual spend of £6,113.
- **Community transport reserve (Code 300)** is overspent by 39%, with a budget of £5,450 and an actual spend of £8,699.

Contents

1. Financial Statement as at 31/01/2025
2. Cashbook Report from 31/12/2024 to 31/01/2025
3. Reserves report from 1/04/2025 to 7/03/2025

Financial Statement - Cashbook

Statement of receipts and payments between 01/12/24 and 31/01/25 inclusive. This may include transactions with ledger dates outside this period.

Balances at the start of the year

Ordinary Accounts

Petty Cash	£200.00
RBS Current A/C + High Int. A/C	£11,441.47

Short Term Investment Accounts

Cambs & Counties Bank - 5-year Bond	£87,006.95
Nationwide Business 1-year Saver	£87,485.73
PayPal Account	£535.56
The Cambridge Building Society	£38,000.37
Total	£224,670.08

Balances at start of period

Ordinary Accounts

Petty Cash	£200.00
RBS Current A/C + High Int. A/C	£77,912.37

Short Term Investment Accounts

Cambs & Counties Bank - 5-year Bond	£87,006.95
Nationwide Business 1-year Saver	£87,485.73
PayPal Account	£539.86
The Cambridge Building Society	£38,000.37
Total	£291,145.28

RECEIPTS	Net (£)	Vat (£)	Gross (£)
Council			
110 Precept	0.00	0.00	0.00
120 VAT reclaimed	-1.70	0.00	-1.70
125 Grant Awards	0.00	0.00	0.00
130 Rental Income	4,306.71	0.00	4,306.71
135 Petty Cash Replenishment	0.00	0.00	0.00
140 RESERVE - Community Transport	918.27	0.00	918.27
150 Other Income	1,257.22	222.79	1,480.01
160 Warm Places Initiative	0.00	0.00	0.00
190 Bank Interest	73.78	0.00	73.78
191 Investment Account Interest	1,108.29	0.00	1,108.29
192 Long-term Investments Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00
193 Nationwide BS Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00
194 PayPal Account Cashback Bonus	0.00	0.00	0.00
195 Cambridge B.S. Year-end adjustment	0.00	0.00	0.00
200 Community Centre	3,307.50	0.00	3,307.50
Council Total	10,970.07	222.79	11,192.86

Total Receipts	10,970.07	222.79	11,192.86
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PAYMENTS	Net (£)	Vat (£)	Gross (£)
Council			
215 Salaries Inc Pensions	16,169.98	0.00	16,169.98
220 Staffing Expenses	751.90	113.84	865.74
225 General Administration	4,777.94	350.42	5,128.36

Financial Statement - Cashbook

Statement of receipts and payments between 01/12/24 and 31/01/25 inclusive. This may include

230 Street Lighting	406.04	18.90	424.94
231 Streetlighting - Capital Expenditure	0.00	0.00	0.00
240 Allotments	233.72	0.00	233.72
260 Parish Maintenance	189.32	13.87	203.19
262 Grounds Mainenance	0.00	0.00	0.00
265 Church Grounds Maintenance	1,400.00	0.00	1,400.00
270 Land Administration	0.00	0.00	0.00
280 Playground Upkeep	52.16	2.72	54.88
281 Play Area & Playing Fields Capital Expenditure	176.25	0.00	176.25
282 RESERVE - Newtown Improvements	0.00	0.00	0.00
290 RESERVE - Community Grants	50.00	10.00	60.00
300 RESERVE - Community Transport	256.32	32.46	288.78
310 Ranger Vehicle	414.32	72.86	487.18
350 Electric Vehicle Chargepoints	0.00	0.00	0.00
400 Community Centre	7,571.94	1,400.90	8,972.84
401 Building Supervisor Salary	4,082.28	0.00	4,082.28
405 RESERVE - Community Centre Capital Exp.	0.00	0.00	0.00
410 RESERVE - Community Transport - Capital expenditure	0.00	0.00	0.00
420 Bank Charges	3.70	0.00	3.70
500 Hanging Baskets	0.00	0.00	0.00
600 Village Events	9,110.62	1,683.97	10,794.59
660 CCTV Contribution	4,170.23	834.05	5,004.28
670 RESERVE - Neighbourhood Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00
Council Total	49,816.72	4,533.99	54,350.71
Total Payments	49,816.72	4,533.99	54,350.71

Closing Balances

Ordinary Accounts

Petty Cash	£200.00
RBS Current A/C + High Int. A/C	£34,754.52
	<u>£34,954.52</u>

Short Term Investment Accounts

Cambs & Counties Bank - 5-year Bond	£87,006.95
Nationwide Business 1-year Saver	£87,485.73
PayPal Account	£539.86
The Cambridge Building Society	£38,000.37
	<u>£213,032.91</u>
Total	<u>£247,987.43</u>

Not all the accounts have been reconciled exactly to the end date on this statement.

Financial Budget Comparison

Comparison between 01/04/24 and 31/01/25 inclusive. Includes due and unpaid transactions.

Excludes transactions with an invoice date prior to 01/04/24

		2024/2025	Actual Net	Balance
INCOME				
Council				
110	Precept	£176,245.00	£176,245.00	£0.00
125	Grant Awards	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
130	Rental Income	£9,750.00	£6,505.86	-£3,244.14
135	Petty Cash Replenishment	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
140	RESERVE - Community Transport	£9,865.00	£4,858.02	-£5,006.98
150	Other Income	£5,610.00	£5,169.55	-£440.45
160	Warm Places Initiative	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
190	Bank Interest	£400.00	£719.26	£319.26
191	Investment Account Interest	£100.00	£1,108.29	£1,008.29
192	Long-term Investments Interest	£750.00	£0.00	-£750.00
193	Nationwide BS Interest	£420.00	£0.00	-£420.00
194	PayPal Account Cashback Bonus	£10.00	£4.30	-£5.70
195	Cambridge B.S. Year-end adjustment	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
200	Community Centre	£22,500.00	£21,034.89	-£1,465.11
Total Council		£225,650.00	£215,645.17	-£10,004.83
Total Income		£225,650.00	£215,645.17	-£10,004.83

Financial Budget Comparison

Comparison between 01/04/24 and 31/01/25 inclusive. Includes due and unpaid transactions.

Excludes transactions with an invoice date prior to 01/04/24

		2024/2025	Actual Net	Balance
EXPENDITURE				
Council				
215	Salaries Inc Pensions	£112,600.00	£83,801.26	£28,798.74
220	Staffing Expenses	£2,575.00	£2,048.67	£526.33
225	General Administration	£21,305.00	£19,273.38	£2,031.62
230	Street Lighting	£2,000.00	£1,824.46	£175.54
231	Streetlighting - Capital Expenditure	£1,000.00	£6,113.31	-£5,113.31
240	Allotments	£500.00	£510.27	-£10.27
260	Parish Maintenance	£5,000.00	£3,807.40	£1,192.60
262	Grounds Mainenance	£5,500.00	£0.00	£5,500.00
265	Church Grounds Maintenance	£1,400.00	£1,400.00	£0.00
270	Land Administration	£1,500.00	£1,500.00	£0.00
280	Playground Upkeep	£7,750.00	£1,391.60	£6,358.40
281	Play Area & Playing Fields Capital Expenditure	£20,000.00	£176.25	£19,823.75
282	RESERVE - Newtown Improvements	£5,000.00	£0.00	£5,000.00
290	RESERVE - Community Grants	£1,500.00	£1,068.37	£431.63
300	RESERVE - Community Transport	£5,450.00	£8,546.94	-£3,096.94
310	Ranger Vehicle	£2,550.00	£1,936.73	£613.27
350	Electric Vehicle Chargepoints	£100.00	£0.00	£100.00
400	Community Centre	£16,250.00	£17,497.25	-£1,247.25
401	Building Supervisor Salary	£19,900.00	£18,194.69	£1,705.31
405	RESERVE - Community Centre Capital Exp.	£30,000.00	£4,889.80	£25,110.20
410	RESERVE - Community Transport - Capital expenditure	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
420	Bank Charges	£50.00	£28.03	£21.97
500	Hanging Baskets	£4,600.00	£3,822.95	£777.05
600	Village Events	£10,950.00	£11,038.41	-£88.41
660	CCTV Contribution	£4,170.00	£4,170.23	-£0.23
670	RESERVE - Neighbourhood Plan	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total Council		£281,650.00	£193,040.00	£88,610.00
Total Expenditure		£281,650.00	£193,040.00	£88,610.00

Financial Budget Comparison

Comparison between 01/04/24 and 31/01/25 inclusive. Includes due and unpaid transactions.

Excludes transactions with an invoice date prior to 01/04/24

	2024/2025	Actual Net	Balance
Total Income	£225,650.00	£215,645.17	-£10,004.83
Total Expenditure	£281,650.00	£193,040.00	£88,610.00
Total Net Balance	-£56,000.00	£22,605.17	

Reserve Status

	01/04/24	07/03/25
Capital expenditure		
Community Centre Development	£21,785.00	£16,895.20
Operational Reserve		
Community Transport - Ops Fund	£6,323.48	£1,774.76
Allotment Deposits	£1,235.67	£1,300.95
Community Grants	£509.61	£749.61
25% of Precept		
Working Balance Reserve	£44,061.00	£44,061.00
(Proceeds from sale of 19 BOR)		
Unallocated Capital Expenditure	£23,131.73	£23,131.73
Election/Referendum Reserve	£10,000.00	£10,000.00
Depreciation Reserve		
Community Bus Depreciation	£18,000.00	£18,000.00
Improvements Reserve		
Newtown Playing Fields	£2,271.97	£2,271.97
Improvement Reserve		
Arnold Rhodes Playing Fields	£5,320.98	£5,320.98
Cheshire East Volunteer Coordination Point Grant	£2,639.44	£2,639.44
IT and unrestricted spend		
Cheshire East Connected Communities Centre Grant	£3,417.67	£3,417.67
Warm Places Initiative	£17.63	£500.00
Disley Village Defibrillator Fund	£0.00	£0.00
	£138,714.18	£130,063.31
	£138,714.18	£130,063.31

Disley Parish Council

Expenditure transactions - approval list

Start of year 01/04/24

Payment Approval List 25.2.25

No	Payment Reference	Gross	Heading	Invoice date	Details	Payment Reference Total
3010	BACS/1402 25/PAYPAL	£91.13		11/02/25	PAYPAL - Debit Card Account - PayPal replenishment January 2025	£91.13
	1	£33.00	225/6		Councillor emails 24/12/24 - 23/01/25	
	2	£16.95	225/17		Website hosting 25/01/25 - 25/02/25	
	3	£26.18	225/6		Microsoft - sub charges - 24/12/24 - 23/01/25	
	4	£15.00	225/17		Domain name registration 21/01/25 - 21/01/26	
3012	BACS/2802 25/AWARD	£23.00	225/18	04/02/25	Award Cleaning Services - Window cleaning	£23.00
3013	BACS/2802 25/COOP	£450.00	225/21	04/02/25	Lauren Coop - January 2025- media assistance	£450.00
3014	BACS/2802 25/CRITCH	£94.50	220/2	13/02/25	Toni Critchlow - Travel expenses for staff meetings and full council meetings from 9/12/24 - 13/02/25	£94.50
3015	BACS/2802 25/EGAN	£64.79	400/9	11/02/25	Eithne Egan-Bull - Community Centre cleaning materials	£64.79
3016	BACS/2802 25/FARLEY	£94.20	400/3	08/02/25	Dave Farley Electrical Ltd - Emergency light fitting	£94.20
3017	BACS/2802 25/SHERRATT	£198.00	400/3	11/02/25	Matthew Sherratt & Company - Annual service of boiler and service/cleaning of warm air blowers	£198.00
3018	BACS/2802 25/WATER P	£50.05	400/7	11/02/25	United Utilities/Waterplus - Water and Wastewater Bill - 09/01/25 - 08/02/25	£50.05
3019	DD/240225/ BIFFA	£176.74		24/02/25	Biffa Waste Services Ltd - Trade waste services - 25/01/25 - 21/02/25	£176.74
	1	£107.38	400/10		General waste services - 25/01/25 - 21/02/25	
	2	£69.36	400/10		Recycling waste services - 25/01/25 - 21/02/25	
3020	BACS/2802 25/TAYLOR	£15.29		23/02/25	Steven Taylor - Wireless doorbell for community hall door	£15.29
	1	£15.29	400/3		Wireless doorbell for CC hall door - locked door policy	
3021	BACS/2802 25/WILLIS	£1,080.00	262	19/02/25	Willis's Limited - Red Lane site - CAT excavator with operator and fuel plus foreman and labour. Drainage investigations at the horse paddock on Red Lane and cleaning short section of ditch to stop flooding.	£1,080.00
3022	BACS/2802 25/SES	£2,394.00	231	31/01/25	Stockport Electrical Services Ltd - Repair works to lighting column at ballcourt, Station Approach, Disley (job 927)	£2,394.00
		£6,680.81			Salaries & Wages	
Total		£11,412.51				

Signature

Date

Signature

Report to Council Meeting – 13/03/2025**Subject: Recommendation for Change in Accounting Software**

Introduction This report presents an evaluation of the costs associated with the current accounting software (A), and an alternative provider (B). Based on the financial analysis, it is recommended that the organisation transitions to (B) as the most cost-effective solution over a five-year period.

Current Provider (A) Requires an annual payment of £619 per year, amounting to £3,095 over five years.

Terminating the remaining two years of the current five-year contract will incur a cancellation cost of £619 (20% of the total contract fee).

Alternative Provider (B) The implementation and operational costs are as follows:

- One-off installation fee: £756
- One-off setup fee: £489
- Ongoing annual costs: £379 per year
- Total cost over 2 years: £2,003
- Total cost over 5 years: £1,895

Financial Comparison The cost comparison over a two-year and five-year period is outlined below:

Option	Cost Over 2 Years	Cost Over 5 Years
A	£1,238	£3,095
B	£2,003	£1,895

While the cost of (B) over two years is slightly higher due to the one-off fees, it becomes significantly more cost-effective over a five-year period compared to (A) Even when factoring in the cancellation fee of £619, the total expenditure remains lower.

Recommendation Considering the financial implications, it is recommended that the council approves the transition from (A) to (B). The total cost savings over five years amount to £1,200, making (B) the more economical choice in the long run.

It is proposed that DPC proceeds with cancelling the current contract and implements the recommended contract provider for long-term financial efficiency. The transition will ensure reduced expenses while maintaining effective accounting software solutions.

Decision Required The council is requested to approve the recommendation to terminate the contract with (A) and adopt (B) as the new accounting software provider.

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