



DISLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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

Attended by: Cllr Brownbill (Chair), Cllr Scales, Cllr Bull, Cllr Pattison, Cllr Windsor, Cllr Ross, Cllr Sykes.

Also attended by; N/A

Clerk to the meeting: Toni Critchlow (Locum Clerk)

1. **To receive any apologies for absence.**

NOTED: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Adams, Cllr Bowers

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

NOTED: N/A

3. **Public Forum**

NOTED: N/A

4. **Communication**

a) NOTED: Disley PC response to residents re; CEC parking permits was noted

b) NOTED: Disley PC response to residents re; Ridgeway flooding was noted

c) NOTED: Disley PC response to residents re; Newtown Playing field was received and noted

d) NOTED: Cheshire East Council Transport Consultation dates 24.02.25 – 21.04.25 was noted

e) NOTED: Communication received from Cheshire Constabulary re; neighbourhood policing was noted. Disley PC raised concerns about the failure of the local policing team to answer Yellow box 101Call during a recent incident. Cllr Brownbill to report the failure to the Chief Constable.

ACTION: Cllr Brownbill

5. To receive Cheshire East Councillors' Report.

NOTED:

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.

6. To agree, as a true and accurate record, the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 13th February 2025

RESOLVED: The minutes were unanimously approved and signed.

7. To receive the Chair's Report.

NOTED:

- The Chairs report was received and noted. PC to request ChALC legal advice re; defamatory posts on social media

- **ACTION: Cllr Brownbill**

8. To consider planning applications received.

NOTED: It was unanimously agreed to forward the following comments to Cheshire East Council.

Reference	Address	Details	COMMENTS
24/4605/CLPUD	Seven Springs Guide Camp Corks Lane, Disley, Stockport, Cheshire East, SK12 2AZ	Certificate of lawful proposed development for the erection of 6 tents for use by guiding	Deadline – 17 th Feb 2025 (extension to 17/3/25 requested) No objections
25/0453/PIP	Land Off Strines Road, Strines, Cheshire East, SK6 7GN	Permission in principle for 6 dwellings	Deadline – 27 th February (extension to 17/03/25 requested) JP to make further enquiries
25/0380/HOUS	36 Buxton Road West, Disley, SK12 2LY	Two storey front extension and part two storey, part single storey rear extension	Deadline – 13 th March (extension to 17/3/25 requested) Loss of privacy concerns

NOTED: 24/4577/HOUS; Granted. CEC Planning decision was noted.

9. Disley Parish Council projects update

NOTED: Project team updates were noted

10. Draft Library Agreement

NOTED: Amendments to the library agreements were proposed by Cllr Pattison. The amendments were unanimously agreed.

ACTION: Cllr Pattison

11. Annual Parish Council Meeting 2025

NOTED: It was agreed that the format for the 2025 meeting would remain the same as the previous year. Other groups and organisations to be invited to speak or provide updates.

(St. Marys Church, Disley Primary School, PCSO, SEND group, Lyme Park)

ACTION: Clerk

12. EV Charges

NOTED: Cllr Sykes proposals for idling charges were noted. It was unanimously agreed to install signage in the first instance regarding proposed idling charges Staff to monitor and record the situation for 28 days. Related information to be publicised via the website and social media.

ACTION: wording, Cllr Sykes

ACTION: procurement, Clerk

13. Nationwide Business Saver

NOTED: Item deferred to the next meeting

14. Finance

- a) **NOTED:** Finance report as prepared by the locum RFO was received and noted.
- b) **RESOLVED:** It was unanimously agreed to approve the payments schedules as prepared by the locum RFO for 25.02.25
- c) **NOTED;** Finance software report as provided by the locum RFO was noted
- d) **NOTED;** Finance software approval was deferred to the next meeting
- e) **RESOLVED;** It was unanimously agreed that Cllr Scale be appointed to check and sign February 2025 bank reconciliations
- f) **RESOLVED;** It was unanimously agreed that the locum RFO be given access to all bank accounts.

15. Meetings

NOTED: *The following meeting dates were noted*

Date and Time	Meeting	Venue
20 th March 2025 10.00am	Health & Well Being	Teams
24 th March 2025 10.00am	Events	Teams
29 th March 2025	Litter Pick	DPC Community Centre
24 th April 2025 7.00pm	Full Council	DPC Community Centre
25 th April 2025 7.00pm	Annual Parish Meeting	DPC Community Centre
22 nd May 2025 7.00pm	Annual Meeting of DPC	DPC Community Centre

16. 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. The Clerks job description was amended and agreed.

17. Close of meeting

NOTED; The meeting was closed at 9.00pm