

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN TICKNALL VILLAGE HALL ON 4th MARCH 2025**

Present: Councillors Oppenheimer (Chair) Woodhead, Scott, Colleyshaw, Bentley and Thornhill.

Staff and Public in attendance: District Councillor Lowe, one member of the public and Celia Bunston (Clerk).

3127/2025 Apologies: None

3128/2025 Declaration of Members Interests: There were no declarations of interests.

3129/2025 To receive and approve requests for dispensations from members on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest. No requests were received.

3130/2025 Public Speaking:

District Councillor Haines and County Councill Muller sent their apologies.

District Councillor Lowe reported:

- 1) a) The District Council has increased the Council tax by 2.99%.
b) The District Council is processing a new gully cleaning contract with Derbyshire County Council.
- 2) A member of the public is concerned about the condition of the grass verge on Main Street, which is being damaged by works vehicles.

3131/2025 To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st January, 2025.

RESOLVED: To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 21st January, 2025.

3132/2025 Clerk's Report:

- a) Dog Bin on Ingleby Lane – this has been replaced.
- b) Environmental Group – Councillor Thornhill reported that the group's next meeting has not yet been arranged. They plan to ask South Derbyshire District Council for advice on recycling etc. She reported that Derbyshire County Council is consulting on its Nature Recovery Strategy, which can be seen at Sharps Pottery on Wednesday 12th March.
- c) SID fault – the SID is now working.
- d) Response to newsletter picnic article – there was no response the article. The fete is on 5th May, which is in the week of the 80th anniversary of VE day. Union flag bunting could be put up at that time.

3133/2025 Lease of The Grange

- a) Amy Biddell, Mather Jamie – offering a lease – This is ongoing. A further meeting will be arranged.
- b) Chris Worman, SDDC – offering sub-lease – The Parish Council asked Councillor Colleyshaw to meet with Mr. Worman to discuss possible funding.

RESOLVED: To arrange another meeting with Mather Jamie, and to meet with Mr. Worman.

3134/2025 The Grange Recreation Ground & Pavilion

- a) G. Charlton, SDDC – Simpler Recycling.

RESOLVED: To note.

3135/2025 The Wheel Inn

The matter is in hand.

RESOLVED: To await further developments.

3136/2025 – Drainage

Councillor Colleyshaw reported that all of the drains appear to be clear. We are still waiting for more information from Severn Trent.

3137/2025 Speed Watch

Although there were no new volunteers, the original team plan to start in April.

3138/2025 Planning Matters

a) Planning Applications

DMOT/2025/0069 - The felling and pruning of trees including ivy severance in a Conservation Area at 87 Main Street, Ticknall.

DMOT/2025/0054 - The pruning of trees at Lady Crewe's Cottage, 78 Main Street, Ticknall.

RESOLVED: No comments on the above applications.

b) Planning Decisions:

DMOT/2024/1622 – The pruning of a cedar tree in a Conservation Area at 22 High Street, Ticknall. Approved.

DMOT/2024/1615 – Non material amendment to planning permission ref: DMPA/2024/1101 (the erection of extensions, raising the roof height to create additional living space, creation of a balcony and installation of dormer windows). The replacement of French doors with windows at 8 Grange Close, Ticknall. No objections.

RESOLVED: To note the planning decisions.

3139/2025 Finance

a) Receipts since last meeting to 27th February 2025

HSBC – Bank Interest, Money Manager Account, February	£19.82
HSBC – Bank Interest, Reserve Account, February	£16.27
Tesco – Refund for 2 nd Class Postage stamps	£20.40 CARD
Ticknall Cricket Club – Fees, 1 st January to 31 st March 2-25	£925.00
Ticknall Cricket Club – Second receipt from Ticknall Cricket Club	£925.00

b) Payments since last meeting to 27th February 2025

Adobe subscription for January £16.64, £3.33 VAT	£19.97 CARD
H. Brandon – cleaning pavilion – January, Invoice 62	£30.00 BACS
C Bunston – Net pay for January	£360.14 BACS
C Bunston – Use of Clerk's home for January	£30.00 BACS
Tesco – 2 nd Class Postage stamps (refunded above)	£20.40 CARD
Tesco – 1 st Class Postage stamps	£39.60 CARD
Curry's – Computer insurance for January	£9.70 DD
HSBC – Bank Charges for January	£13.40
Curry's – Computer Insurance, February	£9.70 DD
HP – Ink Account HP – January £9.99, £2.00 VAT	£11.99 CARD
H. Brandon (Aldi) Cleaning materials £5.31, £1.06 VAT	£6.37 BACS
C.J. Lewis – Newsletters	£89.00 BACS
WH Smith – Stationery - £14.99, £3.00 VAT	£17.99 CARD
H. Brandon – Cleaning pavilion, February, Invoice 64	£30.00 BACS
Heath Pest Control–01.02.25–30.04.25 £172.50, £34.50 VAT	£207.00 BACS
H. Brandon – Cleaning pavilion, February, Invoice 66	£30.00 BACS
Adobe subscription for February £16.64, £3.33 VAT	£19.97 CARD
Tree & Garden Services – work on footpath 7, £260.00, £52.00 VAT	£312.00 BACS
HP Ink Account – February £9.99, £2.00 VAT	£11.99 BACS

c) Balance of Accounts at 27th February 2025

HSBC Current Account	£13142.86
HSBC Money Manager Account	£12669.73
HSBC Reserve Account	£10396.58

TOTAL **£36209.17**

d) Since agenda:

HSBC Bank Charges – February	£8.00
C. Bunston – Salary – February	£360.14 BACS
C. Bunston – Use of Clerk’s home as office	£30.00 BACS
H. Brandon – Cleaning pavilion in March, Inv.67	£30.00 BACS
Curry’s – Computer insurance – March	£9.70 DD

RESOLVED: To approve the payments.

e) Internal Audit - Checking of bank statement against invoices:

RESOLVED: Councillors Woodhead and Bentley checked and signed the bank statement against invoices.

3140/2025 Correspondence:

a) Ron Bailey – Safety of Lithium Batteries Campaign.

RESOLVED: To note the Correspondence.

3141/2025 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils: February and March Newsletter

3142/2025 Reports to Note: No reports.

3143/2025 Reports from representatives to outside bodies and special duties:

No reports.

3144/2025 Date and time of next meeting. Tuesday 15th April 2025 at 7.30pm.

THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.