

Davenham & Bostock Parish Council

Minutes of Davenham & Bostock Parish Council Meeting held 8th September 2025
Public Open Forum & Council Meeting 7.15pm
The Davenham Royal British Legion Social Club

Present:	Cllr Powell (Acting-Chair), Cllr Baynes, Cllr Spare, Cllr Watson Ward Councillor Gaynor Sinar, Elaine Hamlett (clerk)																																																																												
1.Co-Option of Councillor	Gary Halman a Planning Consultant for the Jack Lane proposed development met with Cllrs Watson, Powell and Spare to present what is anticipated as the plans to be submitted for outline planning later this month. Council explained its present position on all proposed development for the village and highlighted the areas that will present problems for this development. Mr Halman to send the PDF of his presentation to the Clerk so that this can be distributed to Councillors and residents. Councillors met with Applicant Katie Garner. Application received and sent to all Councillor's two weeks previous for consideration. On-line votes for absent Councillors received. Application successful and proposed by Cllr Powell, seconded by Cllr Watson all agreed. Cllr Katie Garner was welcomed to join the Council and the meeting. Cllr Powell reported that an email resignation had been received from Cllr Hudson who was stepping down due to work commitments. Cllr Powell expressed his thanks to Cllr Hudson for all his commitment to the PC over his years of office. <i>Action: Cllr Ryder to write to Cllr Hudson</i>																																																																												
2.Public Session	No members of the public attended																																																																												
3. Apologies for Absence and Declaration of Interests	Cllr Ryder (Chair), Cllr Lee, Cllr Jones, Cllr Ravenscroft, <i>No Declarations</i>																																																																												
4. PCSO Report	Report received and discussed. Agreed to be published																																																																												
5. Approval of Minutes	It was RESOLVED to approve the Parish Council Meeting Minutes from 7 th July 2025 Proposed by Cllr, Spare seconded by Cllr Powell.																																																																												
5.b. Recap and Update of actions from previous minutes	Action list: All Actions completed																																																																												
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	HMRC	PAYE				
08/08/2025	E Hamlett	A4 Paper refund				
15/08/2025	Gary Jones	Village Gardener				
18/08/2025	E Hamlett	Shredder refund				
19/08/2025	Lawtons	Inv 15907				
	Quay Payroll	Inv 522				
	Water Plus					
21/08/2025	Bank Charges					
22/08/2025	North Tree Care	DCC Tree cutting				
26/08/2025	lonos					
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Bank Balance @ 1/9/25 **£51,934.57**

6.a	Finance Report Sent to all Councillor prior to meeting: Expenditure approved. <i>Motion</i> Proposed by Cllr Powell, seconded by Cllr Baynes, all agreed.
6.b Audit 24/25	Audit Conclusion sent to all Cllrs prior to meeting. One item for mention noted that Asset Register needed to be updated with the cost of the Speed Signs in Bostock. Agreed by all. All relevant statement papers displayed on Noticed Boards and on the Website.
6.c Budgets 25/26	Budget sheets were sent to Councillor's prior to this meeting for consideration. No updates at tonight's meeting. <i>Carried forward as usual to the next meeting.</i>
6.d Projects	<i>Carried forward to next meeting</i>
Administration issues	
6.e. Cross Village PC Meeting	Cllrs Watson, Powell, Garner, Baynes and Spare will attend this meeting. <i>Cllrs will meet with Moulton PC at 7pm 9th September at Moulton RBL</i>
6.f Field Use Form	Davenham Carnival Committee submitted a form to hold the Carnival on Butchers Stile on 12/13 th June 2026. This was agreed. <i>Action: Cllr Powell to contact DJFC to let them know of the dates so they do not clash with their plans.</i>
6.g Newsletter	Emails had been sent requesting information from clubs and groups asking for content about their activities. The aim is to get this edition ready for distribution by the end of September.
6.h Remembrance/Xmas events	A focus group for the Xmas event was formed and will meet on 19 th Sept at 11.30am in Devenhams. <i>Group members: Cllrs Ryder, Garner, Powell, Spare, Watson.</i> The Remembrance Parade Focus Group will meet 10 th September at 6pm at DRBLSC
6.i Pay Scales	Deferred <i>to next meeting</i>
7. Planning	

7a) Applications Received for Consultation:

Item No.	Application No	Proposal	Location	Comments by:

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1	25/02124/TPO	T1 lime - reduce crown by approximately 1-2m and thin crown by removing epicormic growth throughout	511 London Road Davenham Northwich CW9 8NA	6 th August 25
2	25/01969/FUL	Demolition of Conservatory and Erection of Single Storey Rear Extension	25 Firth Fields Davenham Northwich CW9 8JB	15 th August 25
3	25/02589/CAT	T54 - Sycamore - remove hanging branches and reduce crown by up to 3m	Woodland Bostock Road Bostock Middlewich	18 th Sept 25
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7b) CWAC Planning Decisions:

Item No.	Application No	Proposal	Location	Decision
1	25/01218/OUT	Outline planning application for the erection of up to 70 dwellings with public open space, landscaping, sustainable urban drainage system (SuDs) and the principal means of vehicular access from London Road. All matters reserved except for means of access	Land Off London Road Davenham Northwich CW9 8LQ	4 th July 2025
2	24/02581/FUL	Erection of a 72 bed care home (C2 Use Class) with new access onto London Road, landscaping, substation and associated infrastructure.	Land At London Road Davenham Northwich	27 th June 2025
3	25/01269/FUL	demolition of existing conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension	2 Eaton Lane Davenham Northwich Cheshire CW9 8JL	11 th June 2025
4	25/01625/TPO	1x dead oak tree (T1) - fell to low stump	2 Bell Crescent Davenham Northwich CW9 8GD	24 th June 2025
5	25/00911/FUL	Demolition of existing conservatory, erection of single storey rear extension	16 Mount Pleasant Road Davenham Northwich CW9 8JG	9 th May 2025
	25/01411/CAT	Works (including felling) to various trees	Sayers House 497 London Road Davenham Northwich CW9 8NA	29 th May 2025

<p>7c</p> <p>7d. Planning Focus Group</p> <p>7e. Paving</p> <p>7f Village Traffic Focus</p> <p>7g Hynet/Airports/HS2</p> <p>8. To receive updates on PC Managed Assets and related Projects</p>	<p>Nothing received</p> <p>Cllr Powell thanked all the Councillors who supported the consultation which has received a huge response from residents and will continue to update residents every step of the process. The meeting with the Jack Lane proposed development earlier will be relayed to residents in due course. .Cllr Powell was thanked for his delivery of the presentations at the Consultations.</p> <p>Cllr Sinar reported that requests had been submitted regarding non slip surface around the War Memorial and surface covering for the Village Garden pathway. Awaiting responses.</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Laburnum: Due to the code being breached by a resident who used the hard standing for personal use of a vehicle it was decided that the code should be changed <i>Action: Clerk to contact Bowling Club and request the code change</i></p>
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<p>8. To receive reports from Councillors on any external meetings of relevance to the Council</p>	<p>Butchers Stile:BMX Track to be updated in September as agreed at previous meeting. Dog Poo Bag Dispenser installed and paid for by The Dogs Paddock. Extra bags ordered for both bins.</p> <p>DCC – The dangerous tree was removed and an invoice for £200 paid by PC. Further request by Tree Surgeon to reduce the limbs of the tree by 2mtr to ensure the safety of the tree. <i>Action: TPO Planning request to be made by Cllr Spare to ensure this is done and Cllr Powell to speak with DCC to request contribution to the cost of the work to be done once quote received. Clerk to request quote from North Tree Care</i></p> <p>Village Garden: . Cllr Lee sent a full report on the progress being made by the Green Spaces Group. This was read to all present. Update awaited on RHS decision.</p> <p>Bostock: Request to be made to Adrian Smith as to when he is going to reinstall the benches he removed. The problems that have occurred regarding a football club using the Hayhurst grounds is being addressed and the DJFC are in talks with Tatton Estates regarding a lease for the sole use of the grounds and facilities. This is underway.</p> <p>The request made to CWAC regarding the large branch from the Oak Tree has still not been resolved and is desperately in need of cutting to prevent breakage onto the neighbour's fence and possibly the public footpath. <i>Action: Cllr Sinar to contact CWAC regarding this</i> <i>Action: Cllr Ryder to contact Adrian Smith.</i></p> <p>None</p>
<p>9. Urgent Matters</p>	<p>Residents were complaining about the flags being put onto street furniture around the village. CWAC have been contacted and they will remove anything that is causing a distraction to motorists and a H&S risk. \this is something that is happening around the county. The Laurel hedging is becoming overgrown in the War Memorial and will need trimming back before the Remembrance Parade. Also, discussion around the replacing of the inscriptions on the Memorial as they have become unreadable in places. <i>Action: Clerk to contact Village Gardener to cut back and tidy War Memorial hedging. Add inscription replacement to next agenda.</i></p>
<p>10. Date of next meeting</p>	
	<p>To note date of next meeting: Davenham & Bostock PC Meeting will be held on 22nd September 2025 at 7.15 pm at DRBLSC</p>
<p>11. Closure of Public Meeting 8.40pm</p>	