

Davenham & Bostock Parish Council

Minutes of Davenham & Bostock Parish Council Meeting held 24th November 2025
 Public Open Forum & Council Meeting 7.00 pm
 The Hayhurst Arms, Bostock

<p>Present:</p>	<p>Cllr Ryder (Chair), Cllr Baynes, Cllr Jones, Cllr Watson, Cllr Ravenscroft. Cllr Garner Ward Cllr. Gaynor Sinar Elaine Hamlett (clerk)</p>																										
<p>New Councillor Applications</p>	<p>All three applicants attended from 6.00pm at 15 minutes intervals, where they informally chatted with Council. Selection process took place prior to the main meeting. Email selection from Cllrs. Spare, Lee & Powell were received in their absence. First vote selection then second vote for second selection. Gareth Entwistle and Rodney Annet were voted in unanimously. Co-option agreed and candidates will be contacted directly by the Chair offering the posts. <i>ACTION: Clerk to send to successful candidates the Code of Conduct, Nomination of Interest form, Acceptance Form and request photo and contact telephone number to be used for publicity comms.</i></p>																										
<p>1 .Public Session</p>	<p>No public attended</p>																										
<p>2. Apologies for Absence and Declaration of Interests</p>	<p>Cllr Powell (Vice-Chair), Cllr Lee, Cllr Spare, No Declarations of Interest</p>																										
<p>3. PCSO Report</p> <p>4. Approval of Minutes</p>	<p>Report received at previous meeting on 10th November 25. Discussion took place regarding the recent correspondence regarding the redundancy of all PCSO posts in Cheshire. This was a huge loss to our Parish and would impact on the great work done by our PCSO Lee Robertson, who has worked tirelessly for our residents and the youth of our village and neighbouring villages. There would be a consultation with the PCSO on 1st December at DRBLSC from 7.15pm for anyone to come along and add their support to try to change this action. <i>ACTION: Chair to write directly to PCC and Chief Inspector to send our PC formal response to this action.</i></p> <p>It was RESOLVED to approve the Parish Council Meeting Minutes from 10th November 2025 Proposed by Cllr, Baynes seconded by Cllr Watson, all agreed.</p>																										
<p>4.b. Recap and Update of actions from previous minutes</p>	<p>Action list: <i>Actions not stated as completed:</i> AP2 Date still to be arranged for new consultation for residents in January 26 AP3 Underway. Cllr Garner arranging to collect the equipment from Cllr Spare and training with PCSO. AP5 Cllr Garner has looked through the present lease with DJFC and this was only for Butchers Stile and did not include Laburnum anyway. Still undecided on the way forward with this lease and it was suggested we arrange a meeting with three of the DJFC Management team. Invite them to come along to speak with specific Cllrs relating to the future lease. <i>ACTION: Chair to arrange meeting with DJFC</i></p> <p>All other Actions completed</p>																										
<p>5. Finance and Administration</p>	<p>INCOME November 2025</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="368 1738 1358 2029"> <thead> <tr> <th>DATE</th> <th>FROM</th> <th>DETAILS</th> <th>AMOUNT</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>6/11/2025</td> <td>Dexter & Helmsley</td> <td>Xmas Donation</td> <td>50.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>CWAC</td> <td>CIL 2nd tranche</td> <td>9,472.58</td> </tr> <tr> <td>14/11/2025</td> <td>DRBLSC</td> <td>RTM Refund-Remembrance Parade</td> <td>800.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Oddfellows arms</td> <td>Xmas Donation</td> <td>200.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>18/11/2025</td> <td>Devenhams</td> <td>Xmas Donation</td> <td>50.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			DATE	FROM	DETAILS	AMOUNT	6/11/2025	Dexter & Helmsley	Xmas Donation	50.00		CWAC	CIL 2 nd tranche	9,472.58	14/11/2025	DRBLSC	RTM Refund-Remembrance Parade	800.00		Oddfellows arms	Xmas Donation	200.00	18/11/2025	Devenhams	Xmas Donation	50.00
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		TOTAL	10,572.58

EXPENDITURE November 2025

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>DETAILS</u>	<u>Budget Transaction Ref</u>	<u>NET £</u>	<u>VAT £</u>	<u>GROSS £</u>
3/11/2025	HMRC	PAYE	HMRC			353.62
	E Hamlett	Clerks Salary	Clerks Salary			1227.18
5/11/2025	Scottish Power	Standin Charge	Xmas Lighting			30.49
7/11/2025	DRBLSC	Wreath	Remembrance			20.00
	P Lee	Refund RHS tickets	Village Garden Project			160.02
12/11/2025	G Jones	Village Gardener Invoice	Village Gardener			120.00
	Davenham WI	Grant Award	Grants			100.00
	Bowling Club	"	"			250.00
	Baby & Toddlers	"	"			300.00
	Mini Police	"	"			175.00
	Davenham Scouts	"	"			300.00
	Davenham Dads	"	"			200.00
18/11/2025	Communicorp	Scroll				189.00
20/11/2025	P Lee	Storage container refund & Bulb refund	Village Garden Project			154.48
	Duttons	Remembrance Parade RTM	Remembrance	800.00	160.00	960.00
	Lawtons	Invoice 16014 BMX Track	Green Spaces Projects	3170.00	634.00	3804.00
	Lawtons	Invoice 16013 Fields & Hedge Cutting	Ground Maintenance	1140.00	228.00	1368.00
					TOTAL	£9711.79

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	Bank Balance @ 20/11/25 £39,217.08				
5. Finance	<p>Finance sheets were sent to Councillor's prior to this meeting for consideration. Road Closure Costs: Ordered by D&BPC and refunded by DRBLSC. Cllr Watson reported that this expense should be paid by CWAC as only those events held on 11th of the 11th are the responsibility of RBL and this was the parade expense on 9th of the 11th which should be CWAC costs. Cllr Sinar would look into this. ACTION: Cllr Sinar to check with CWAC on the responsibility for road closure expenses</p> <p>All regular expenditure for December and Xmas invoices to be paid during the close down as listed in the January 26 Finance Report. The Grant Award to Bostock WI would be paid next month as there was an error in their Account details which postponed the payment of £100 until they sent the correct account details.</p> <p>Finance Report Sent to all Councillor prior to meeting: Expenditure approved. Agreed to pay Pentagon the final part of their Invoice once received (£5100) <i>Motion</i> Proposed by Cllr Watson, seconded by Cllr Garner, all agreed.</p>				
5.a Precept	<p>Discussion around the annual increase in the Precept 26/27 and if it was necessary to increase by 5% again this year if there would be such an underspend. This was not decided tonight but deferred until the January meeting when both scenario's would be presented to check which would be acceptable for the budget costs.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to produce two separate costing for Precept application.</p>				
Administration issues					
Freedom of the Parish Award	<p>The Award would be presented to Cllr. Ravenscroft at the Christmas Lunch at DRBLSC on 16th December 2025. Presented by the Deputy Mayor Bob Churnick at 12 noon. All Cllrs are invited and ask that they email their attendance and lunch requirements to the Clerk asap. ACTION: All Cllrs wishing to attend the Award ceremony and lunch to email clerk asap</p>				
6. Planning	6a) Applications Received for Consultation:				
	Item No.	Application No	Proposal	Location	Comments by:
	1	25/03641/FUL	Two-storey side and rear extensions, part single-storey rear extension, and front porch extension, together with alterations to existing window and door openings and construction of a new detached garage to the side.	42 Firth Fields Davenham Northwich CW9 8JB	15 th Dec 2025
	2	25/03420/OUT	Outline planning application for up to 140 new homes (both open market and affordable), new pedestrian linkages, sustainable drainage measures, new public open spaces and landscape/biodiversity enhancements. All matters reserved except for vehicular access to Jack Lane.	Land At Jack Lane Moulton Cheshire	3 rd Dec 2025

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3	25/03148/TPO	G1 Holly hedge - Reduce height by approximately 1-1.5m reduction to keep screening between properties	Dolobran 19 Firth Fields Davenham Northwich CW9 8JB	25/10/2025
4	25/02758/FUL	Single storey rear extension	66 Hartford Road Davenham Northwich CW9 8JF	28 th Nov 2025
5	25/02757/FUL	Single storey rear extension	64 Hartford Road Davenham Northwich CW9 8JF	28 th Nov 2025

6b) CWAC Planning Decisions:

Item No.	Application No	Proposal	Location	Decision
1	25/03314/TPO	Mature Oak leaning heavily from The Rectory, over the boundary towards The Old Rectory building. The tree warrants a crown reduction of 2-3m from branch tips due to its lean towards neighbouring property and garden wall. The crown reduction will reduce the weight leaning towards property. A 10% crown thin will also be beneficial to allow wind to pass through the canopy.	The Rectory Church Street Davenham Northwich CW9 8NF	17 th Nov 25
2	25/03376/FUL	Demolition of existing garage, side extension, and the addition of two first floor dormers, installation of solar panels, timber cladding to front and render to all elevations (amended description)	73 Green Avenue Davenham Northwich CW9 8HZ	25 th Nov 25
3	25/03040/FUL	Removal of existing vehicle access to road, creation of new vehicle and pedestrian access to road and new driveway and landscape	670 London Road Davenham Northwich CW9 8LG	21 st Nov 25
4	25/02937/TPO	1x old oak tree - reduce crown by approximately 15-20% (not exceeding 2-3 metres of branch tips where necessary) to reduce the end weight and likelihood of further branch failure	Davenham Cricket Club Hartford Road Davenham Northwich CW9 8JF	20 th Oct 25

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5	25/02728/FUL	Part single storey, part two storey extensions, including in part, replacing a previous single storey extension to the building.	The Secret Garden Whatcroft Hall Lane Whatcroft Northwich CW9 7SQ	14 th Oct 25	
6	25/02648/FUL	Replacement of windows and patio door	37 The Courtyard Bostock Hall Bostock Road Bostock Middlewich CW10 9JN	14 th Oct 25	
7	25/02940/OUT	Hybrid planning application for full planning application for highway junction improvements to the A556, construction of an electricity primary sub-station and other associated works including internal access road, drainage infrastructure and landscaping; and outline planning application (all matters reserved except for main vehicular and pedestrian access into the Site) for phased commercial industrial/ logistics development (Use Class B2 / B8) with ancillary office accommodation (Use Class E(g)i); car, HGV and cycle parking; land set aside for a future railway station; landscaping and green infrastructure, and other associated works.	Land South West of Gadbrook Park Northwich Cheshire	5 th Nov 2025	
6a 6d. Planning Focus Group 6e. Paving 6f Village Traffic Focus 6gHynet/Airports/HS2 7. To receive updates on PC Managed Assets and related Projects		<p>It was reported that the Care Home application had gone through un contested.</p> <p>The Group are aiming to organise another Consultation Update Meeting for residents in January 26 This meeting would explain the new developments received, updates on progress of existing applications and use the opportunity to engage residents in any new information from the PC.</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Cllr Powell not available for update</p> <p>Laburnum: CCTV now back up and running following a change in WiFi user.</p>			

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<p>7a</p> <p>7.b Projects Remembrance/Xmas Events</p> <p>War Memorial</p> <p>Pentagon Play Equipment</p> <p>8. To receive reports from Councillors on any external meetings of relevance to the Council</p>	<p>Butchers Stile: Nothing new to report</p> <p>DCC – Tree Survey to be requested for fields around DCC & Butchers Stile. <i>Action: Clerk to request surveys</i></p> <p>Village Garden: . Cllr Lee sent a full report on progress of the Green Spaces work and Councillors were very appreciative of his efforts. The Mosaics were now installed in the garden and look magnificent.</p> <p>Bostock: Report of damage to chevrons reported again and passed to Ward Councillors, along with the state of the road surface in the village.</p> <p>Christmas Event: There was a meeting planned for Friday 28th Nov at the Oddfellows to fine tune the details for the event.</p> <p>War Memorial: Cllr Ravenscroft was waiting on a new quote for the work <i>ACTION: Clerk to add railings to next agenda</i></p> <p>Pentagon will be installing the new equipment in the next two weeks</p> <p>None</p>
<p>9. Urgent Matters</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>10. Date of next meeting</p>	
	<p>To note date of next meeting: Davenham & Bostock PC Meeting will be held on 12th January 2026 at 7.15 pm at THE RBLSC</p>
<p>11. Closure of Public Meeting</p>	<p>8.40 pm</p>