

BEELEY PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES

For the meeting on Monday 27th July 2026 at the Cavendish Village Hall, Beeley

Councillors present:	Robert Webster	Chris Mills	Apologies: PC Shaun Jakins Cllr Kath Potter (PDNPA)
	Elizabeth Gravil	Pete Rowbotham	
	Chris Hornsby		
Others:	Charles Noble	Caroline Griffiths	
	Kitty Noble	John Miley	
	Cllr Susan Hobson (DCC&DDDC)	Sarah Porter	
	PCSO Anthony Boswell		

PART 1 – NON-CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

*Report /
Action Required*

1. There were apologies for absence received from PC Shaun Jakins and Cllr Kath Potter.
2. There were no Declaration of Members Interest.
3. Public speaking –
 - Caroline Griffiths will be objecting to the planning application.
 - Anthony Boswell – There are no reports of crime. Please report anything and everything. A new Community Voice survey has just been made live. Please complete and then it feeds into the priorities for the Police. An issue of rubbish being dumped near the boundary to the parish and then being set on fire. A generator has also been stolen from the back of a work van. The Clerk will email Anthony about this. Clerk
 - Cllr Susan Hobson:
 - New Council structure has been announced by the Government. There will be elections for the shadow authority next May and then the new authority will be established in April 2028. Cllr Hobson has asked about ensuring projects keep moving forward.
 - The new Council will have 80 odd councillors with only 12 from the Derbyshire Dales.
 - DDDC Local Plan has been circulated for commenting on.
 - Attended a meeting on Stanton Moor after the summer solstice to look at the fire risk. The fines have increased for people having a fire but a fine has never been issued. Cllr Hobson has requested that fines start to be issued.
4. No items from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.
5. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th May 2026 were approved.
6. Matters Arising (non-decision making)
 - Planning applications were discussed under Item 7
 - General updates were discussed under Item 10
 - Playing Field, Church car park and bus stop were discussed under Item 8
 - Finance was discussed under Item 9
 - Correspondence was actioned as minuted
 - Register of Interest forms to be completed
7. Planning Applications
 - New –
 - NP/DDD/1025/1001 and NP/DDD/1025/1003(listed building) - Beeley Barn Pottery, The Barn, School Lane, Beeley - Creation of 3 new dwellings by converting redundant pottery and outbuilding and renovation of 1 dwelling – There was a lengthy discussion about this application. Cllr Gravil is concerned about what the word complement means. It was agreed to comment that these should not be holiday lets and that drainage needs to be looked at carefully, as already an issue of a collapsed land drain on the field adjacent to this development causing flooding issues on Brookside. Clerk
 - Existing –
 - NP/DDD/0925/0940 - Land North of St Annes Church, Church Lane, Beeley – Burial Ground Extension - Pending
8. Playing Field, Church car park, defibrillator and bus stop
 - Playing field:
 - Inspections including Rospa amber items:
 - Climbing frame – noted and will be monitored
 - Slide – discussion about looking at a new slide Clerk
 - Swing bolts – noted and will be monitored
9. Finance and Audit
 - Accounts to 18th July 2026 – Village Hall has still not cashed the hall hire check. Cllr Webster
 - Audit noted as exempt
 - Change bank account to Unity Trust Bank. It was agreed to look into this. Clerk
 - S137 requests – Request to support the new kitchen for the church. It was agreed to

apply to the DDCVS grant and discuss again in September.

- New expenditure approved:
 - Cheque 22399 – Clerk pay (£321.60) and 3 stamps (£5.40) - £327
 - Cheque 22400 – WE Brindley – Ground maintenance - £714
 - Cheque 22401 – Easyspace web hosting - £24.16 (£4.03 VAT)
- Expenditure noted:
 - Cheque 22396 – Zurich Insurance - £351
 - Cheque 22397 – Void due to wrong amount written!
 - Cheque 22398 – Playsafety – Rospa - £99.60 (£16.60 VAT)
 - Direct Debit – Information Commissioner’s Office - £47
- New income noted:
 - Chatsworth - £750 grant for 2025-2026
 - Interest - £2.59 and £2.68 (May and June)
 - Car parking - £72.60 in May and June

Clerk

10. Correspondence and general update:

- Reinstatement of the Peaks and Dales railway line between Matlock and Buxton, in the interests of residents, the environment, and the regional economy motion passed by DCC
- Beeley Brook repairs have been completed and pegged (need to change to the same as the others? They are similar enough). The pipe is waiting for a non-return valve and will then be cut shorter.
- Home addresses for Councillors can no longer be published following section 65 of the English Devolution and Community Empowerment Act 2006 which came into force on 29 June 2026. It is recommended that Councillors have a dedicated Parish Council email address such as joe.bloggs@beeleyparishcouncil.gov.uk We are compliant if we have a general Clerk one (which we have). Some Councils are also giving out laptops/tablets to all Councillors and the Clerk. It was agreed not to look at this at this time.
- Footpath Grant from DCC – Nothing at this time.
- Strategy for new homes to protect Derbyshire Dales distinctive rural character – was noted
- DDDC Local Plan was noted
- Chesterfield Road Landslip update – Overgrowth has been cut back to allow tendering contractors to see the landslip better.
- Local Government reorganisation – 2 unitary authorities (North and South)
- Website updates – 2 new pages added for the Church and Village Hall.
- Review of Derbyshire Dales District Councils (DDDC) Taxi and Private Hire Licensing Policy 2026 was noted with no issues.

11. Feedback from Meetings and Training

- Meeting with DCC and Chatsworth regarding the BOAT – 10th June – There was an agreement for DCC to drop some stone, and it is bad enough to shut it. Clerk to email and ask for an update. Clerk
- Meeting with Chatsworth regarding footpaths and water – 4th June – Chatsworth plan to send a note out about footpaths and their plans for the area Clerk

12. For information

- Trees on the meadow have been reported to Chatsworth as needing lifting off the path
- Requested to be added to the Peak District NHW Facebook page

13. DALC (all circulated by email):

- Chief Executive Officer, Wendy Amis, has proposed to step back from her role
- July Newsletter
- June Newsletter

14. Reading (circulated by email):

- Clerks and Councils Direct (paper)
- Parish Council Planning Bulletin and News
- 2025-26 Annual Impact Report | Citizens Advice Derbyshire Districts
- Rowsley Parish Council Agenda Papers
- Neighbourhood Watch newsletters
- Rural Matters Newsletter
- Weekly Rural News Digest
- Rural Opportunities Bulletins, Newsletter and Press releases - Rural Services Network
- Peak Park Authority Press Releases and Updates
- Peak District National Park Foundation Impact Report 2024 to 2025
- Derbyshire Dales District Council Press Releases
- Police Alerts and newsletters and Immediate Justice newsletter

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS - All meetings held at 7.30pm in the Village Hall - MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

- 21st September 2026
- 16th November 2026