Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at St Margaret's Church on Monday 2nd February 2026 at 7pm

Present:	Cllr N. Edmiston (Chair); Cllr H.L Corbett; Cllr M. Wilson; Cllr R.Cole-Morgan and Cllr N MacPherson
In Attendance:	Frank Horsley (Parish Clerk) 2 members of the public (part)

FC/0226/01 Apologies for Absence

None.

FC/0226/02 Variation of the Order of Business

The Chair proposed to move item 9a (CPWF Grant Application – Revised Rose Project) to item 4 on the agenda. Seconded by Cllr Corbett.

FC/0226/03 Declaration of Members Interests

None.

FC/0226/04 CPWF Grant Application – Revised Rose Project

The Chair outlined the revisions to the project proposed following meeting with the applicant following consideration at the Council meeting on 24th November 2025. **The Council resolved to approve a grant of £275 to the revised Rose Project as proposed**. Proposed by Cllr Edmiston. Seconded by Cllr Wilson.

FC/0226/05 Public Participation

No matters raised.

FC/0226/06 Ward Councillor Reports

None received.

FC/0226/07 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Cllr MacPherson questioned the accuracy of FC/1125/08c (Parish Register) in relation. Cllr Corbett stated that she had contacted Derbyshire Dales District Council and outlined that the District Council did not hold most of the information requested. Following discussion, Council agreed to delete the final sentence of the draft minute and replace with "Cllr MacPherson

requested the Clerk to investigate information held by the District Council in relation to residents, dwellings and electors".

Subject to amendments agreed, the Council **resolved** that the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Monday 24th November 2025 were a true and accurate record.

FC/0226/08 Council Budget and Parish Precept 2026/27

Frank Horsley explained the budget proposal and outlined the process for submitting the parish precept to the billing authority. Cllr Edmiston thanked Frank Horsley for the proposed budget and asked for comments. Cllr MacPherson asked whether the reserve was sufficient to cover any future election costs. Frank Horsley confirmed that such costs would be covered.

It was noted that the precept for 2026/27 was £7,718 (zero increase on current financial year).

The Council resolved to approve the Council budget 2026/27 as proposed and the submission of the parish precept form to Derbyshire Dales CC. Proposed by Cllr Edmiston. Seconded by Cllr Corbett.

FC/0226/09 Council Action Plan

Projects

- Noticeboards – Cllr Edmiston stated that Cartwrights agreed to take away and revarnish following the meeting. Frank Horsley noted that an invoice had been received but would only be paid upon completion of the work.
- First Aid Station – Cllr Cole-Morgan confirmed the return of the solar powered sign to the suppliers as unsuitable and confirmed a motion sensor had been purchased. Cllr MacPherson confirmed that he would fitting the defibrillator sign in due course.
- First Aid Training (Community Resilience) – Members discussed an approach from CARE to fund training but agreed that the Parish Council should directly fund a community first aid and defibrillator training event as opposed to subsidising CARE. Members discussed the potential of training a designated trainer but insurance liability would prohibit such an approach. **ACTION: Frank Horsley to contact St John's Ambulance for training options available.**

Village Green

- Play area refurbishment – Cllr Edmiston noted that he had met Peak Playgrounds on site with Frank Horsley on 27th January. The advice received was to replace the barrels and Peak Playgrounds would be providing options and costs. Members discussed shoring up and reseeding the ground around the slide and agreed the grounds maintenance contractor should be requested to deliver the work in the Spring. Cllr MacPherson asked whether such work could be added to the tender for the 2026 Grounds Maintenance contract. Frank Horsley confirmed that a call-off clause would be included in the tender. **ACTION: Frank Horsley to draft grounds maintenance tender for 2026 for publication prior to next meeting.**

Planning

- Planning Protocol – Frank Horsley noted minor amendments to the protocol considered at the last Council meeting. **ACTION: Frank Horsley to upload the Planning Protocol to the website.**

Snow Warden

- Frank Horsley noted that the DCC participation forms had been completed for this year's scheme and noted half a ton of grit had been ordered to be stored by Milwards. Members questioned whether this could be increased to a full ton and Frank Horsley confirmed he would make the further request with DCC. Cllr Cole-Morgan noted that grit bin on School Lane was not required or filled and asked whether it could be adopted and repositioned elsewhere. Following discussion, Members agreed that the unit should be offered to the Church for positioning on St Margarets site. **ACTION: Cllr MacPherson to approach the Parochial Council with the offer.**

Parking on Main Street

- Frank Horsley reported that Derbyshire County Council had responded to the Objects in the Highway (OITH) license application submitted and notices had been posted for statutory 28 day public consultation period (closing date 24th February). Subject to no objection, Members agreed that the planters should be ordered in March and Gardening Club asked to maintain. Frank Horsley confirmed that the planters could be supported by a CPWF grant with an application to be considered at the next Council meeting.

Commemorative Bench

- Frank Horsley noted that he had arranged a site visit with resident proposer before seeking further advice from Derbyshire County Council.

ACTION: Frank Horsley to update Action Plan with agreed changes.

FC/0226/10 Village Matters Arising (not on Action Plan)

a) CPWF Grant Application – Revised Rose Project – considered earlier on the agenda.

b) Parking on School Lane – Cllr Cole-Morgan highlighted the poor state of the grass verge on School Lane. Members discussed options for improving the area including potential tarmac solutions. Cllr Corbett stated that she would not be supportive a removing the existing verge on environmental and potential cost grounds. **ACTION: Frank Horsley to approach DCC Highways Inspectors to discuss and copy in Cllr Hunter to ongoing discussions.**

c) Grit bin adjacent to school – discussed earlier on the agenda.

d) Website and Carelink – Cllr Cole-Morgan noted that the information for CARE on the website was not up to date and suggested removing the page. She also noted that information for the school also required updating and suggested a link to the school website be included. Frank Horsley confirmed that he would review the website to ensure all pages are relevant and up to date. **ACTION: Frank Horsley to review and update website as discussed.**

d) New projects – FH noted that options for play equipment would be circulated when received from Peak Playgrounds. Any new equipment could be funded via CPWF grant.

FC/0226/11 Financial Matters

a) Members noted accounts for payment for November & December 2025. Signed.
b) Members noted income received for November & December 2025. Signed.

c) Members reviewed the bank reconciliation for November & December 2025. Signed.

FC/0226/12 Planning

Members discussed concerns regarding planning application 26/00019/FUL. Cllr Corbett agreed to note comments made in finalising the Council response for submission.

FC/0226/13 Correspondence

Members noted the correspondence on MS OneDrive file circulated prior to meeting.

a) DDDC Revised Local Plan timetable – Members noted the proposed consultation in the Spring and agreed that Cllrs O'Brien and Hughes be invited to a village meeting. Frank Horsley suggested hosting session in advance of the AGM in May which Members endorsed. **ACTION: Frank Horsley to contact DDDC to request meeting.**
b) Woodland Trust Community Tree Packs – Members considered options and it was agreed that the Council could support a planting scheme for the school if they were in favour. **ACTION: Cllr Cole-Morgan to contact the school with the offer.**

FC/0226/14 Any Other Items

Cllr MacPherson reported back on roadshow event held in Ashbourne concerning the Mayor's Big Transport Conversation. https://www.eastmidlands-cca.gov.uk/mayors-transport-plan/

FC/0226/15 Date & Time of Next Full Council Meeting

Monday 30th March 2026 at 7pm.

The meeting ended at 9.10 pm.

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