

STANTON – IN – PEAK PARISH COUNCIL: Minutes

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 20th January 2026
At 7:30 pm in Stanton in Peak Village Hall

PRESENT: Cllr A Mellor, Cllr S Fogg, Cllr P Morris and Cllr I Mortimore (Chair)
In attendance: Parish Clerk and 1 member of the public

2077 **Apologies**

No apologies required

2078 **Variation of order of business and Clerk's request for inclusion of Time Constrained items**

No variations required. Additional planning items: none

2079 **Declarations of Members Interests**

No declarations were required in respect of this meeting.

2080 **Public Speaking**

a) Members of the public
no matters raised

b) PDNPA Parish Member Kath Potter, DDCllr Laura Mellstrom and PCSO Boswell sent apologies.

DCCllr Sue Hobson reported Stanton Lees collapse awaits the paperwork for conversion to a bridleway due to the road collapse. The gullies situation near the school in Rowsley is being investigated along with Pilhough. Whilst the pothole on our main route has been filled the blocked drains need a survey and fixing especially where the water crosses the road surface and freezes on the corner – now further exposed by the cutting down of the trees. The VAS system has no update on progress – consensus of the meeting was that it should be removed as nobody believes it after too many erroneous stops. The passing place needs the manhole in the road investigating as water washes out often and 3 words location will be passed on (post meeting logged as FS-Case-789216365

Better Derbyshire Dales Fund is one of the few known to accept Parish Council applications as most trusts won't consider councils as being part of the community.

Cllr Hobson left the meeting at this point.

2081 **To confirm the Non-exempt minutes of the previous meeting**

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 18th November 2025 were signed by the Chair.

2082 **To determine which if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded:** none

2083 **Planning Applications** – due to the 28-day return deadline, Council will discuss any applications received between publication of the agenda and the meeting date at this meeting.

i) **Decisions received** – NP/DDD/1025/0988 – Woodend Cottage, Main Road - Retrospective change of use from agricultural to residential – Granted

ii) **Applications returned due to time constraints:** none

iii) **for Decision** – none

iv) **Planning updates/issues:**

DCC Planning, DDC – no matters, PDNPA – Pilhough Haul Road removal delayed by mechanical failure but should be complete by spring, Western Power have removed their electrical equipment. A draft leaflet was received from Dale View regarding impending closure and restoration to seek local views. Council notes this will be determined by the PDNPA Ecologists and planners but is informative and should be circulated to Pilhough, Stanton Lees, our and Rowsley Primary schools and Rowsley PC – being on the haul route. The Forticrete site purchase by a concrete fencing company with M-F working proposed is a smaller process similar to the old factory so should have no increased effect on residents.

2084 **Footpaths and Highways**

Highways – hole in road from B5056 has finally been patched but drainage works in this area are still awaited. The Pilhough Path has been approved by Rights of Way for inclusion

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on the definitive footpaths map but now goes through legal processes. Grit stocks arrived today and will be collected by our volunteers for refill this weekend.

2085 Reports and Decisions

- i. The Green / Parish assets – Stickers for the defibs on The Circuit have arrived.
- ii. PDNPA Liaison meetings
Local Plan Review comments on Minerals were submitted. There is a final consultation stage to scrutinise and submit further comment. Stanton Moor Liaison Group awaits rebirth. The Minerals Liaison meeting noted delays to Pilhough and the plans to increase trade at Birchover Stone which will be monitored for traffic. It next meets in June.
- iii. Ecobat Resources Liaison meeting
3rd February meeting still awaits confirmation. SAFER is organising its own liaisons and it is understood that EA licence limits are close to full.
- iv. Stanton in Peak Dog Bin reshuffle
Agreed to chase the District Councillor, as the enquiry to officers went via that route.

2086 Items for information and DALC (already circulated by email)

DALC Circulars/briefings; PDNPA Bulletins; DCC liaison explained the one County authority principle is based on the Districts not being able to agree how to split the County up into two, Government will now decide the split. The Beaver campaign has seen divided opinions at its first consultation although there is a lot of misinformation and where introduced so far has seen wildlife and fish movement improvements. Derbyshire Wildlife Trust are running the consultation throughout 2026.

2087 Finance

Resolved to authorise the following:

(a) Accounts for Payment

Cheque No	Net	Vat
UB HM Lovell (Jan)		£326.75
Ddr NEST (Jan)		£24.18
UB J aston 6m website		£108.00
Ub HM Lovell (expenses Jan)		£21.53
UB EON green electricity		£41.97
UB HM Lovell (Feb salary)	£326.75	£2.10
Ddr NEST (Feb)	£24.18	
Ddr Bank charges monthly 2x6		£12.00

(b) Income – Interest £24.40

(c) Budget Appraisal/Risk Assessment

Current balance at 6 th January	£3303.96
Savings Account at 6 th January	£4451.84

New defibrillator purchase delegated to the Clerk to find best value based on an additional local supplier proposed at the meeting

(d) Precept for 2026 – household adjustment

Council agreed to keep the precept as set at the November meeting despite the reduced property base. The cost of new defibrillators has increased so the increase will help offset this.

2076 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 10th March at the conclusion of the APM in Stanton Lees Chapel

2026: 12th May SiPVH, 14th July SLC, 8th September SiPVH, 10th November SLC

PART II – CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

none

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:35 pm