

EDALE PARISH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Edale Village Hall on **THURSDAY 18th September 2025 at 8:00pm.**
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Minutes

PRESENT: Cllrs. Joanna Collins (Chair), Cedric Gilbert, David Shirt. Clerk – Tracy Whitley.

25/09/1 Apologies for absence. Cllr. Morgan Jackson. Noted.

25/09/2 Declarations of interests. None

25/09/3 Public speaking

- (i) Members of the public (Max 10 minutes). None.
- (ii) Borough Councillor. HPBC Cllr. Collins said that the High Peak Councillors Initiative Fund is still active for residents and local groups, to encourage beneficial community activity. For more details please contact Cllr. Collins.
- (iii) County Councillor. None.

25/09/4 Chairman's announcements (Not for discussion)

25/09/5 Minutes of previous meetings.

- (i) Minutes for the regular Parish Council Meeting of 9th July 2025 were proposed for adoption as an accurate record of the meeting by Cllr. Collins, seconded by Cllr. Gilbert. Adopted.
- (ii) Minutes for the extraordinary Parish Council Meeting of 3rd September were proposed for adoption as an accurate record of the meeting by Cllr. Gilbert, seconded by Cllr. Shirt. Adopted.

25/09/6 Report on matters arising from the minutes (unless noted for discussion later in the meeting).
None.

25/09/7 Items for discussion/ decision.

25/09/7.1 Policies and procedures. The following documents were proposed en-bloc for adoption with no changes by Cllr. Gilbert, seconded by Cllr. Shirt. Adopted.

- (i) Freedom of Information, Transparency & Publication Policy
- (ii) Data Protection Policy
- (iii) Openness and Transparency on Personal Interests
- (iv) Members Allowance Scheme
- (v) Equality & Diversity Policy
- (vi) Complaints Procedure

25/09/7.2 Edale Charities Car Park

- (i) Outcome of the Extraordinary Meeting. At an Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council on 9th July, it was resolved by a unanimous vote not to take up the offer of a lease and to withdraw with immediate effect from the Tenancy at Will. It was also agreed that all the costs incurred for the car park since the previous licence ended in June, including the Tenancy at Will payments, should come out of Council funds allowing all the income to be paid to the participating charities. For more details please see the minutes of that meeting published on the Council's website or contact the Clerk.
- (ii) Following the result of the Extraordinary Meeting, a Teams meeting about the future of the car park was attended by Phil Mulligan of PDNPA, MP Jon Pearce and Edale PC Cllrs. Joanna Collins & Morgan Jackson. Cllr. Collins reported that it was a positive meeting with the outcome that if PDNPA take on the lease they may be willing to come to an agreement whereby some of the car park income would come to Edale. A site visit will be arranged in order to discuss this further.

25/09/7.3 Co-option of councillor to fill casual vacancy – progress update. The Clerk reported that no-one has contacted her regarding co-option onto the Parish Council. Carried forward to the next meeting. **ACTION: Clerk.**

25/09/7.4 Maintenance and repair of Edale noticeboards. The Clerk reported that she was having real trouble getting anyone to provide estimates for this work. It was agreed that it may be easier, and potentially cheaper, to replace them instead. The Clerk will look into the cost of replacement with either wood-effect recycled plastic or powder-coated aluminium, both of which would require little or no maintenance. **ACTION: Clerk.**

25/09/7.5 Annual inspection of assets. Carried forward to the next meeting. **ACTION: Clerk.**

25/09/7.6 Housing Need Survey and next steps. Following on from the recent survey, Philippa McKenna from Midlands Rural Housing is requesting a meeting to talk about potential sites for affordable housing in Edale. Cllr. Collins wishes to attend and will liaise with MRH about a date and time. **ACTION: Cllr. Collins.**

25/09/7.7 Site Suggestions – High Peak. Noted. No further action.

25/09/7.8 Resilience. Cllr. Collins reported that Parish Councils are being encouraged to set up a Resilience Plan for emergency situations. Last year, when there were several power cuts, residents worried about not having working telephones. Cllr. Collins suggested that the PC could put together a list of people who have phones that will work during a power cut and who may be contacted in case of emergency. The Clerk will post the question on Edalelist. **ACTION: Clerk.**

25/09/8 Planning.

New Applications:

25/09/8.1 NP/HPK/0725/0724 Upper Booth Farm, Edale. Agricultural building to provide a covered a manure storage area and fodder storage area. This application has been suspended pending further information.

Decisions:

25/09/8.2 NP/HPK/0625/0622 Edale Village Hall, Edale. Replace the existing concrete tiled roof covering of Edale Village Hall with a new roof covering made partly from similar tiles and partly from in-roof solar panels. Granted conditionally. Noted.

25/09/9 Finance.

25/09/9.1 Updated daily accounts for 2025/26. Noted.

25/09/9.2 Bank reconciliation and record of balance of funds. Total funds at end of August £15,455.15 comprising council funds of £4,795.69 and car park funds of £10,659.46. Approved and signed by the Chair.

25/09/9.3 Clerk's pay and expenses including overtime. Overtime of 7.5 hours in June, paid in July salary. Overtime of 7.7 hours in July and 5.5 hours in August, paid in August salary. All approved and signed by the Chair.

25/09/9.4 Car park – financial update. Total takings for the year £10,659.46. Noted.

25/09/9.5 Budget report end of August. The Clerk tabled a budget report with projected figures to the end of the year. Due to the unexpected overspend on the Tenancy at Will for the car park (which will come out of the contingency reserve) it was proposed to allocate the cost of the ANPR crime prevention project to the reserve funds for Village Projects. Proposed by Cllr. Collins, seconded by Cllr. Gilbert. Agreed.

25/09/9.6 Invoices & Payments for approval for payment by bank transfer. All approved.

i	DCC County Fund (car park tenancy at will) *	£118.36
ii	Unity Trust Bank (service charge)	£6.00
iii	Gary Widdowson (2 x cuts in July)	£80.00
iv	Tracy Whitley (Clerk salary & expenses)	£480.53
v	DCC County Fund (car park tenancy at will) **	£600.00
vi	Gary Widdowson (2 x cuts in Aug)	£80.00
vii	Tracy Whitley (Clerk salary & expenses)	£611.76
viii	DCC County Fund (car park tenancy at will)	£600.00
ix	Unity Trust Bank (service charge)	£6.00

* Pre-approved at meeting in July – see minute item 25/07/7.1

** Approved at extraordinary meeting in September – see minute item 25/09/03/5.1

(x) The Clerk also asked for approval to go ahead with ordering materials for the public footpath repairs being done in conjunction with PDNPA ranger Nick Baker. The total amounts are £147.01 for boards, pegs and screws from Eyres, and £321.12 for 40mm gritstone from Marchington Stone. The approvals were proposed by Cllr. Gilbert, seconded by Cllr. Collins. Approved.

25/09/10 Items for Information

25/09/10.1 Highways & Footpaths

- (i) PRoW Minor Maintenance Grant 2025/2026. Work to commence on repairs to footpath 7 towards Upper Booth, when the materials have been delivered (see above), dependent on the weather.
- (ii) Updates on Outstanding Highways & Footpath Issues. The Clerk is to seek clarification on when the proposed survey of the Mam Nick road is taking place. **ACTION: Clerk.**
- (iii) New Highways & Footpath Issues. There is a big hedge sticking out into the road and impeding the view of road users. It is on the right-hand side going up Mam Nick road on National Trust land. The Clerk will ask NT to cut it back. **ACTION: Clerk.**

25/09/10.2 Village Hall Committee report. None.

25/09/10.3 DALC

- (i) August Newsletter. Cllr. Collins will try to attend DALC Day 8th October in Derby.
- (ii) September Newsletter. Noted.

25/09/10.4 Police Reports. None.

25/09/10.5 Village Events

- (i) Ultra X England - 13th & 14th September 2025. Noted
- (ii) Navigational Fell Race - Sunday 21st September. Noted.

25/09/10.6 Parish & Town Council Liaison Forum

- (i) Information from meeting 29th July. Noted.
- (ii) Next meeting Monday 15th September. Noted.

25/09/10.7 HPBC Cluster meetings. Noted.

25/09/10.8 Save the date – Saturday 11th October – Parishes Day. Cllr. Collins will attend.

25/09/11 Correspondence (circulated). All noted and no further action required unless stated below.

25/09/11.1 DCC Community Newsletters (also posted on Edalelist)

- (i) Community News – 7th July
- (ii) Community News – 14th July
- (iii) Community News – 28th July
- (iv) Community News – 4th August
- (v) Community News – 11th August
- (vi) Community News – 18th August
- (vii) Community News – 26th August

25/09/11.2 Hope Valley Climate Action – August Newsletter

25/09/11.3 DCC - Know your numbers week and blood pressure check ups

25/09/11.4 Baslow Renewable Energy Day

25/09/11.5 Agenda item for the Peak Partnership Summit - what next? Proposal to set up a new forum of Hope Valley parish councils. Edale PC are supportive of this. The Clerk will relay this back to the organiser.

ACTION: Clerk.

25/09/11.6 ANPR Update

25/09/11.7 High Peak wildfire pack

25/09/12 Date of next meeting

Regular meeting of the Parish Council. **Wednesday 8th October. 8pm in the Village Hall**

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