

BEELEY PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES

For the meeting on Monday 19th January 2026 at the Cavendish Village Hall, Beeley

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

PART 1 – NON-CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

*Report /
Action Required*

1. There were apologies for absence received from PCSO Anthony Boswell, PC Shaun Jakins and Cllr Kath Potter.
2. There were no Declaration of Members Interest.
3. Public speaking –
 - Resident raised via WhatsApp a query about what was going to happen to Beeley Old Pottery. The Clerk has spoken to Chatsworth and they have been exploring a reuse as residential accommodation and are currently in discussion with PDNPA about what this might look like. When an application is finalised the Parish Council will be notified.
 - Cllr Susan Hobson:
 - Attended a number of events at the Church on run up to Christmas which were lovely
 - Is in communication with the Clerk regarding various issues outstanding in the village around the roads and drains.
 - Received a grit provision request but this needs to come from the Parish Council. Cllr Hornsby raised concern about the state of the Beeley Hilltop road when the weather is bad and is made worse by the off roaders that come through 'enjoying the conditions'. He wondered if some grit could be provided to help keep the road clear for his tankers. Clerk will email DCC.
 - Chatsworth Christmas Market traffic issues will be discussed at the wash up meeting when it is set. Please report any issues to the Clerk.
4. No items from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.
5. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 17th November 2025 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 – Actioned as agreed.
7. Planning Applications
New – None
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
 - Church Car Park – car park box reset on a new post. Thanks to Richard Elliott for completing the work.
 - Playing field:
 - Inspections – nothing of concern Cllr Mills
 - New swing seats - £175 plus VAT each. Agreed to buy 2 seats. Clerk
9. Finance and Audit
 - Accounts to 2nd January 2026 were noted.
 - Clerk pay increase request to SCP17 from SCP15 (£16.08 from £15.58) was agreed. Clerk
 - Ground maintenance tender – 3 tenders received £1750, £13850 and £1968.50. It was agreed to remain with the existing contractor at £1968.50. Clerk
 - Budget 2026-2027 and precept setting was approved at £4543 Clerk
 - S137 requests – None
 - New expenditure approved: Clerk
 - Cheque 22387 – Clerk pay and meeting refreshments - £316.36
 - Expenditure noted:
 - Cheque 22386 – Christmas Tree – Chatsworth - £300 (£50 VAT)
 - New income noted:

- Christmas Tree donation - Chatsworth - £250
- Interest - £3.33 and £3.22 (November and December)
- Car parking - £18.72 in November and £14.59 in December

10. Correspondence and general update:

- .gov.uk domain – beeleyparishcouncil@gov.uk . Clerk met the website developer and some tweaks agreed before the site goes live. When it is live, the Clerk will circulate it to Councillors to look at and comment, before sending out to the village. Clerk
- Chesterfield Road Landslip timescale emailed to the village was noted.
- Mayor's Transport Plan Consultation – Cllr Webster updated the meeting on the Peak Park Summit and the plans to have smaller buses on rural roads and improvements to the roads to allow the public transport to run. It was agreed to respond saying "The ideas in the Transport Plan are great if the road network can support it due to the poor surfacing".
- Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service Consultation on Community Risk Management Plan and Budget. No comments.
- District Wide Housing Needs Analysis was noted. Most of the issues seem to be in the towns.
- Nature Futures Event: Co-Creating a Vision for Nature in the Peak District Dales (24 January 2026) – Cllr Webster to attend
- Peak District National Park Local Plan Review. No comments.
- DDDC and DCC Local Government Review – No update.
- Upcoming Changes to Bus Operations & Collaboration on Bus Shelters moving to the Mayor's office.

11. Feedback from Meetings and Training

- East Midlands: Peak Partnership Summit – 19th November – Discussed under Mayor's Transport Plan.
- DALC November forum – 26th November – Cllr Gravit found it very informative. There was information about village halls, use of precepts, etc. Cllr Gravit felt reassured we were doing everything correctly.
- Parish & Town Council Liaison Forum – 8th December – No one attended.
- Wild beaver reintroduction consultation – 12th January – The Clerk attended this and shared the leaflets she picked up. An interesting project looking at the potential of releasing Beavers on the tributaries to the Derwent. This is very much in the investigation stage and Derbyshire Wildlife Trust would like to hear everyone's views and are holding a number of events including at the DALC January Forum. Chatsworth are running an event with them on 20th January for Tenant farmers.
- Peak Cluster Phase 1 Consultation – 13th January – Cllr Mills listened to it online. Not going to affect Beeley Parish but an interesting project. To remove the Carbon Dioxide emissions. A pipeline with structures to compress the gas as it moves along and lead it to the coast. It will be possible for others to join the pipeline in the future.

12. For information noted:

- White lines by the pub have been allocated for repainting
- Road issues and drainage is being chased
- Pink Ribbon Walk 2026 - Sunday 17th May 2026

13. DALC (all circulated by email):

- December Newsletter
- Dalc Forum – 21st January 2026 – Cllr Gravit is attending

14. Reading (circulated by email):

- Santander Statement (paper)
- Parish & Town Council Liaison Forum presentations
- Your Severn Trent Councillor Newsletter - Winter 2025 Edition
- Parish Council Planning Bulletin and News
- 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 2024-2025 Impact Report
- 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

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| • 16th March 2026 | • 20th July 2026 |
| • 18th May 2026 | • 21st September 2026 |
| | • 16th November 2026 |