



Dalwood Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 5 January 2026 at 19:30 hrs Dalwood Village Hall (Ref: 25/26.6)

Councillors: Kathy Laing (Chair), Tim Hodges, Tony Bengler, Graham Perry, Ben Trott, Christine Wyatt

In attendance: Ian Walker (Clerk & RFO)

Members of the public: No members of the public were present.

	Item	Action
1	Public Forum Members of the public raised the following issues: a. None	
2	Apologies for absence Cllr Peter Lawrence	
3	Declarations of interest in agenda items a. None	
4	Minutes of last meeting The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3 November 2025 were approved and signed by the Chair as a true record.	
5	Matters arising a. Cllr Tony Bengler requested that, whenever possible, any proposal for action in an area where there is specific councillor responsibility, should only be considered in a council meeting when the appropriate councillor(s) is/are present. b. It was noted that the CPR/defibrillator training session from South Western Ambulance Service was being held in the Village Hall at 3:00pm on 19 January 2026. c. The Clerk was requested to ascertain whether the use of the loaned thermal imaging camera by TCVCLT went ahead as planned in December and, if it did, to ascertain the results, and to ascertain whether or not insurance cover was still required for the proposed loan later in January 2026.	Clerk

6	<p>Finance and administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The attached schedule of 18 payments totalling £1977.89 and made since the last meeting (either being pre-authorised as regular payments or authorised by way of the WhatsApp group) was noted and approved (26.4). b. The attached summary of receipts and payments to 17 December 2025 showing a balance in hand in the Lloyds Bank community account at that date of £1,255.77 and at Redwood Bank deposit account of £14,710.33 was noted and approved (26.5). c. It was noted that £1,000 had recently been transferred from the Redwood Bank deposit account and that a VAT refund of £249.76 had also been received. d. The attached Lloyds Bank statement and reconciliation and the Redwood Bank statement, both as at 17 December 2025 were noted and approved (26.6/7). e. The proposed budget was discussed and amended and approval was given to a budget showing total income of £8,450 and total expenditure of £8,315 (26.8). f. Unanimous approval was given to the setting of a precept for 2026/27 of £7,950 being an increase of 3.2% on the current year. g. The setting up of a new <i>gov.uk</i> web site was still being reviewed and it was agreed that further advice should be sought from HugoFox about the setting up of a new compliant web site. h. No further advice had been received from Devon CC concerning the proposed Village Green and it was agreed that this would be followed up. i. It was noted that an application had been made to EDDC for the listing of the Tuckers Arms as a Community Interest Property. It was agreed that the Clerk should be reimbursed for £50.36 being the cost of the associated Land Registry search. 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
7	<p>Maintenance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Register of Council Owned Trees – Cllr Benger agreed to update the register with historical acquisition data. b. Bus shelter project – no further correspondence had been received from Taylor Wilkinson. It was agreed that the matter should still be pursued. 	<p>TB</p> <p>Clerk</p>
8	<p>Planning matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. None 	
9	<p>Highway matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. No further communication had been received from EDDC concerning various long-standing issues around the removal of hedges and trees. It agreed that the Clerk should attempt to get an update from EDDC. b. Thanks were given to Cllr Perry for sourcing and obtaining two replacement finger board signs and approval was given for the payment of £132.00 to Bluebird Graphics for their supply. Further requirements were noted and approval given for their replacement also. c. It was agreed that a report should be made to the Highways Department concerning an apparent degradation of the road surface at the junction at the bottom of Dalwood Lane/Danes Hill. 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>GP</p> <p>Clerk</p>
10	<p>Parish Paths Partnership (P3)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. It was noted that the significant damage to footpath 16 adjacent to the river had been reported to EDDC and that repairs were in hand. b. It was noted that the repairs to the footpath gate at Baggeton Farm were still outstanding but that repairs had been undertaken on footpath 13 to a very high standard. c. It was also noted that repairs to the village footpath system in general appear to have fallen behind in recent months. It was agreed that possible solutions would be discussed in due course. 	<p>OM</p> <p>All</p>

11	Water quality monitoring survey a. Carried forward	CW
12	Any other business a. It was agreed that further enquiries should be made of the Environment Agency concerning the timber flood defences that had been erected in the river adjacent to Hutchins Barton.	Clerk
13	Meetings for the year a. It was noted that Parish Council meetings for 2026/27 would be: i. 2 March 2026 ii. 6 May 2026 - <i>Annul Parish Council Meeting</i> iii. 3 June 2026 – Annual Parish Meeting iv. 6 July 2026 v. 7 September 2026 vi. 2 November 2026 vii. 4 January 2027 viii. 8 March 2027	
14	The meeting closed at 20.50 hrs.	

Approved

K G Laung
Chair

Date: 2-3-26

Ref	Date	Payee	Description	£	VAT (Memo)
26/35	14-Oct-25	S Freeth	Grass cut	82.15	
26/36	17-Oct-25	Ian Walker	Salary	249.85	
26/37	17-Oct-25	HMRC	Tax on above	62.20	
26/38	21-Oct-25	Lloyds Bank	Bank charges	4.25	
26/39	26-Oct-25	G Trott Tree Consultant	Tree survey	102.00	17.00
26/40	30-Oct-25	R Herbert	Plants & compost	83.95	
26/41	04-Nov-25	I Walker	Memorial wreath	29.94	
26/42	04-Nov-25	GJ & PC Perry	River clearance	120.00	20.00
26/43	14-Nov-25	DM Payroll Service	Payroll management	72.00	12.00
26/44	14-Nov-25	S Freeth	PPP & general grass cutting	302.15	
26/46	21-Nov-25	Ian Walker	Salary	192.85	
26/47	21-Nov-25	HMRC	Tax on above	119.40	
26/45	24-Nov-25	Lloyds Bank	Bank charges	4.25	
26/48	16-Dec-25	Dalwood Village Hall	Meeting room hire	14.00	
26/49	17-Dec-25	Ian Walker	WFH allowance & stationery	222.40	
26/50	22-Dec-25	Lloyds Bank	Bank charges	4.25	
26/51	24-Dec-25	Ian Walker	Salary	192.85	
26/52	24-Dec-25	HMRC	Tax on above	119.40	
				1,977.89	

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Dalwood Parish Council

As at 17 December 2025

Year ended 31 March 2026

Actual 24/25 £		Budget 25/26 £	Actual to date 25/26 £	Forecast £	Anticipated out turn 25/26 £	Budget 26/27 £	
RECEIPTS							
7,476	Precept	7,700	7,700.00		7,700.00	7,900	2.60%
1,050	Parish Paths				0.00		
362	Interest received	250	348.85	176.00	524.85	500	
457	VAT refunds			249.76	249.76		
9,345		7,950	8,048.85	425.76	8,474.61	8,400	
PAYMENTS							
3,638	Staff costs	3,747	2,810.25	936.75	3,747.00	3,860	4.00%
200	WFH allowance	200	200.00		200.00	200	
110	Clerk SLCC membership	140		140.00	140.00	140	
228	Subscriptions	230	163.00		163.00	165	
120	Payroll service	125	120.00		120.00	120	
0	Clerk training				0.00	0	
0	Training (delegates expenses)	100			0.00	0	
215	Admin & stationery	200	177.29	30.00	207.29	210	
623	Equipment				0.00	0	
91	Hall hire	98	91.00	28.00	119.00	100	
264	Insurance	280	304.85		304.85	320	
0	Audit & election fees	50	50.00		50.00	50	100
600	Parish Paths (agency services)	1,000	640.00	360.00	1,000.00	1,000	
2,773	Routine maintenance	1,500	1,190.47	400.00	1,590.47	1,500	+
650	Donations	150	342.43		342.43	500	
4	Bank charges		38.25	13.00	51.25	50	
15	Sundries	100		50.00	50.00	50	
0	Replacement bus shelter				0.00		
416	VAT paid in year		204.02		204.02		
9,947		7,920	6,331.56	1,957.75	8,289.31	8,265	
(602)	NET RECEIPTS/(PAYMENTS) IN YEAR	30	1,717.29	(1,531.99)	185.30	135	
	Transfers to deposit account		(3,348.85)	(176.00)	(3,524.85)		
	Transfers from deposit account		2,000.00	2,000.00	4,000.00		
14,851	Opening balance		887.33		887.33		
14,249	CLOSING BALANCE AT LLOYDS BANK		1,255.77	292.01	1,547.78		
	REDWOOD BANK DEPOSIT ACCOUNT		14,710.33	(1,824.00)	12,886.33		
	TOTAL FUNDS HELD		15,966.10	(1,531.99)	14,434.11		
Allocation of funds:							
11,010	General fund				12,290.26		
560	Election fund (designated)				560.00		
278	Defibrillator fund (designated)				182.85		
2,401	Parish Paths fund (restricted)				1,401.00		
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M. I. Walker

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£ 1,255.77 Current balance

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DATE	DESCRIPTION	TYPE ?	IN (£)	OUT (£)	BALANCE (£)
24 Dec 25	HMRC - ACCOUNTS OF 500000001688121959 120PL03053136 083210 10 24DEC25 09:50	FPO		119.40	1,255.77
24 Dec 25	IAN WALKER 200000001684141761 DALWOOD PC 404780 10 24DEC25 09:48	FPO		192.85	1,375.17
22 Dec 25	SERVICE CHARGES REF : 471341960	PAY		4.25	1,568.02
22 Dec 25	REDWOOD BANK LIMIT 60838380176370 52041141377281000N 608383 10 20DEC25 04:11	FPI	1,000.00		1,572.27
17 Dec 25	IAN WALKER	FPO		222.40	572.27

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Account Details

Manage your account

- 35 Day Notice Account (Issue 11)-Monthly Interest
- 80176370 35 Day Notice Account (Issue 11)-Monthly Interest
- Dalwood Parish Council, Mr Ian Walker, Mrs Katherine Laing, Dr Timothy Hodges, Mr Benjamin Trott
- Tax status: Gross
- Nominated account: 309037 00044857
- [Edit account details](#)
- **Balance: £14,710.33** ⓘ
- Available: £14,710.33 ⓘ
- Accrued interest (not paid): £37.89 ⓘ
- Interest rate: 3.45%
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Date	Description	In (£)	Out (£)	Balance (£)
20/12/2025	Withdrawal by Bank Transfer		1,000.00	14,710.33
30/11/2025	Gross Interest	44.36		15,710.33
31/10/2025	Gross Interest	45.70		15,665.97
30/09/2025	Gross Interest	42.23		15,620.27
15/09/2025	Receipt by Bank Transfer	3,000.00		15,578.04
08/09/2025	Withdrawal by Bank Transfer		1,000.00	12,578.04
31/08/2025	Gross Interest	42.39		13,578.04

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