

**Minutes of the Meeting of Darley Dale Town Council held in
the Terrace Cafe at The Whitworth on Wednesday 16th October
2024**

**In attendance were Town Cllrs Atkin, Bishop, Farmer, Mordue and Wheeler.
Town Clerk Ian Adkin and CEO Sarah Rivett.**

- FC1024/1** **Apologies for absence** – Apologies were received from Cllrs Chapman, Curtis, Godber, Paterson and Wilson, District Cllrs Shelley, Burton and Franks, PSCO Thompson, County Councillor Hobson and Northwood and Tinkersley Cllr Verdicchio. Cllr Walker and Mellor have resigned from their Councillor positions.
- FC1024/2** **Consider any variations to the order of business** – None.
- FC1024/3** **Declaration of member’s interests** – Cllr Farmer announced he had resigned as a Whitworth Trustee.
- FC1024/4** **To consider exclusion of press and public for any part of the meeting** – None.
- FC1024/5** **Previous minutes** – It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes from the Town Council Meeting held on 18th September 2024.
- FC1024/6** **Public participation** – Safe Farley Moor group, two local residents discussed the reasons the group are against Farley Moor development – felling of 1300 trees, increasing flood risk, biodiversity, privatisation of public land, threat to local businesses, strain on local infrastructure and loss of place to walk. The group are hosting a public meeting to be held on 22nd October at The Whitworth.
- FC1024/7** **Update from District Councillors, County Councillor and Police** – None.
- FC1024/8** **Update from Northwood & Tinkersley** –
Cllr Mordue provided an update on Northwood/Carr woods which are up for sale for approx. £150k. Darley Hillside Residents are on the case looking into this to help fundraise along with other groups.
- FC1024/9** **Planning** – Decisions from the October Planning meeting:
- **21/00691/AMD** 16 Thorncliffe Avenue Darley Dale Derbyshire DE4 2HU
Non-material amendment - Reduction to glazing – **NO OBJECTION**
 - **T/24/00203/TPO** 1 Porteous Close Two Dales Derbyshire DE4 2EN
Reduce and thin crown by 2 meters – **NO OBJECTION**

- **24/00854/LBALT** Darley Hall Park Lane Two Dales Derbyshire DE4 2FB
Conversion of store to office, replacement of windows and replacement of rainwater and drainage goods – **NO OBJECTION**
- **24/00868/FUL** Fairlie House 10 Greenaway Lane Hackney Derbyshire DE4 2QB
Erection of first floor extension, detached double garage and rear workshop with associated landscaping – **NO OBJECTION**
- **24/00877/VCOND** North Park Farm Whitworth Road Darley Dale Derbyshire DE4 2HJ -
Variation of conditions 2, 4, 6 and 8 of application no. 22/00529/FUL – **NO OBJECTION**

FC1024/10 Finance –

- i. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the October bank reconciliation.

BANK RECONCILIATION	
Balance from 2023-24	£158,921
Plus receipts	£201,376
Less payments excl. VAT	£138,383
Less VAT paid	£3,298
Balance to date	£218,615
Bank balances	
Current	£101,788
Deposit	£116,828
Total	£218,615

- ii. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the proposed payments.

16 October 2024	Hellison Trophies	Allotment Plaques	-£31.00		
16 October 2024	Wish Computer	IT Support	-£240.00	-£200.00	-£40.00
16 October 2024	Opera	Website support	-£30.00	-£25.00	-£5.00
16 October 2024	LM Creative	Community Voice	-£1,840.00		
16 October 2024	Peak Advertiser	Eco Day advert	-£252.00	-£210.00	-£42.00
16 October 2024	Shelter Maintenance	Bus Shelter Cleaning	-£87.72	-£73.10	-£14.62
16 October 2024	Whitworth Trading	Leaflet delivery Gig in the Park	-£117.00	-£97.50	-£19.50
16 October 2024	National World	Eco Day advert	-£90.00	-£75.00	-£15.00
16 October 2024	Clarity Copiers	Printing services	-£15.92	-£13.27	-£2.65
16 October 2024	PKF Littlejohn	External Audit	-£630.00	-£126.00	-£756.00
16 October 2024	Amazon Business	Laminator pouches	-£20.07	-£4.02	-£24.09
16 October 2024	Amazon Business	Stationary	-£39.34	-£32.78	-£6.56
16 October 2024	DALC	DALC Annual Day - tickets x3	-£180.00		
16 October 2024	Staff Salaries	Wages	-£4,752.02		
16 October 2024	HMRC	Tax and NI	-£1,447.97		
16 October 2024	Derbyshire Pension Fund	Staff Pensions	-£1,156.49		

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the following additional payments:

- £1,061 for office room hire.
- St Joseph's Lane de-fib pads and battery to be maintained by the Town Council. Cost is £600-£700. Battery due to last 5 years but ran out after 2 years, the Town Clerk will look into the issue with the battery life to see if a reduced cost can be given for a new battery.

iii. Consideration of any grant requests – None.

FC1024/11 Update on The Whitworth Trust and Trading –

Barry Mellor, Chair of The Whitworth Trust sent an update before the meeting. Cllr Farmer provided a summary of this update.

FC1024/12 Committee, Working Group and Lead Councillor Review –

The Town Council needs another Councillor(s) to join the Finance Committee. Defer rest of appointments to November's meeting.

FC1024/13 Whitworth Trust Membership – Cllr Wheeler noted he was interested in joining the Whitworth Trust, the Town Clerk to contact Barry Mellor to inform him.

FC1024/14 Community Initiatives –

- Fireworks – CEO to speak to Tristan from Fantazia to discuss final arrangements of the event.
- Pantomime – won't be going ahead for 2024. The Whitworth to look into this for 2025.
- Youth Provision – Defer to November meeting.

FC1024/15 Darley Bridge Picnic Site –

New signage needs to be put in place. Darley Dale Town Council logo with the words 'Car Park. Supporting partners South Darley Parish Council and Derby Railway Angling Club.' CEO to organise proof of sign.

Town Clerk to determine final decision on the terms of the agreement with the Angling Club.

FC1024/16 Councillor Updates –

Cllr Mordue provided an update on environmental matters:

- Put together 3 leaflets – insulation, air source heat pumps and solar. Will also have a regular piece in Community Voice each quarter.
- Potentially organise for a surveyor to run a workshop here at The Whitworth, there maybe a cost involved which will come out of the environmental budget.
- Octopus and OVO currently pushing their heat pump packages.
- Visited Chris Ragg's butterfly friendly garden. Mark Gwynne Jones is interested in doing a poetry workshop around butterflies with schools. Something the environmental budget could potentially pick up.

FC1024/17 **Clerk's Updates/Correspondence** –

- DALC Day is on 17th October. Councillor of the Year – Cllr Wilson and Environment Project – Cllr Mordue have been put forward for awards.
- Cllr Farmer highlighted that there are two Councillor vacancies.
- Thank you to Rob Barrington for gifting The Whitworth tables and chairs for the Terrace Café.

FC1024/18 **Date of next meeting** – Cllrs **RESOLVED** to hold the next Full Council meeting on Wednesday 20th November at 7pm.

Meeting ended at 8:34pm.