**DRAKELOW PARISH COUNCIL**

**South Derbyshire District in the County of Derbyshire**

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| To: Chairman and Members of Drakelow Parish CouncilWard Members - South Derbyshire District Council and Derbyshire County Council  | Email: clerk@drakelowparish.gov.uk[www.drakelowparish.gov.uk](http://www.drakelowparish.gov.uk)1st Oct 2025 |

Dear Councillor

The next meeting of Drakelow Parish Council, to which you are summoned to attend, will be held

In the Immanuel Church, Stapenhill, 7pm, on Wednesday 8th October 2025.

The Public and Press are welcome to attend.

Yours faithfully

**Paula Nankervis**

Clerk and RFO

The public and press may view the agenda on the councils’ website at [www.drakelowparish.gov.uk](http://www.drakelowparish.gov.uk)

**AGENDA**

**1 Apologies**

To note or accept any apologies for absence.

 Cllr Rogers

 Cllr Wheelton

**2 Declaration of Members Interests**

To enable members to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interest they have in subsequent agenda items in accordance with the Parish Council code of conduct. Interests that become apparent at a later stage in the proceedings may be declared at that time.

**3** **County Council**

To consider any matters to be put before the County Council and receive any

 reports from the Councillor

**4 District Council**

 To consider any matters to be put before the District Council and receive any

 reports from the Councillor

**5 Public Speaking**

A period of not more than 10 minutes will be made available for members of the public to comment on any matter. Comments should be directed to the Chair. It is not possible to debate matters in this session. The Council may respond to your comment on email (within 2 weeks of the meeting)

**6 Police**

To consider any matters to be reported to the police and note the crime figures and any other matters from the Safer Neighbourhood Team.

September:- 4 Assault, 1 Burglary, 1 Domestic Incident, 1 RTC, 5 Harassment, 1 Fraud and 1 Criminal Damage.

**7 Minutes**

To approve as a correct record, the minutes of the Councils meeting held on 10th September 2025.

**8 To determine which items, if any, on the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.** If the Council decides to exclude the public it will be necessary to pass a resolution in the following terms:- “That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, to consider a resolution to exclude the Press and Public from the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, s1, in order to discuss the item.

**9** **Chairmans announcements**

**10 Clerks repor****t**

To receive the clerks report

**11** **Finance**

1. To authorise payments as set out below. Any additional payments received since the agenda was issued will be reported at the meeting

**PAYMENTS**

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| **Cheque No.** | **Payee** | **Detail** | **Net Amount****£** | **VAT****£** | **Total****£** |
| BACS | Payroll | Clerk & Clerk Mentor Wages – September (PAID) | £1,146.92 | NIL | £1,146.92 |
| BACS | HMRC | Clerk & Mentor – September (PAID) | £46.80 | NIL | £46.80 |
| BACS | Mobile Phone | Monthly line rental | £7.00 | NIL | £7.00 |
| BACS |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | **TOTAL**  | **£1,200.72** | **NIL** | **£1,200.72** |

**INCOME**

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| **Date** | **Received from** | **In respect of** | **Amount** |
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b) Internal audit report completed and sent to external auditors for exemption as signed by chairman at 9th July meeting. Submitted 16th July and chased 3rd September. Received response from PKF to say information accepted.

c) review first quarter bank reconciliation and budget review

**12** **Planning**

**DMOT/2025/1191 -** Approval of details required by condition 8 (CEMP Biodiversity) of permission ref. DMPA/2024/1655 variation of conditions application for residential development to amend house types approved within phase 3 of the development at Land at SK2420 2230 Drakelow Park, Walton Road, Drakelow, Swadlincote. Sent to cllrs 29th September.

**DMOT/2025/1209 -** Approval of details required by conditions 2 (playing pitch drainage and design), 3 (external materials),5 (all weather pitch and playing field) and 8 (travel plan) of permission ref. DMPA/2024/0077 relating to Approval of reserved matters (access, layout, scale, appearance and landscaping) pursuant to outline permission ref: DMPA/2020/1460 for a two form entry primary school at Land at Drakelow Park, Walton Road, Drakelow, Swadlincote. Sent to cllrs 29th September.

**13 Outside meetings, training and councillor updates**

 To receive reports from any members who have attended meetings/training or have

 items to share with the council since the last Parish Council meeting;

 Cllr Cummings

 Cllr John

 Cllr Bidder

 Cllr Kenney

 Cllr Treacy

 Cllr Rogers

**14 Items for Discussion/ Decision**

 **a Clerks probation period over mid-August**

 **b 2025 Winter Giving Campaign CVS**

**c Newsletter**

 **d Working groups of volunteers**

Currently have 2 residents assisting with matters relating to dust levels, trees and boundary signage.

 **e Unity amendments**

Paperwork uploaded to make initial amendments of clerks’ authorisation, remove CM and add TB. **RESOLVED 29/9.** Commenced same process to be followed to remove MJ

 **f Boundary Signage**

Chairman was discussing with volunteer, who is investigating

**g Trees and verges in between Dracan and Drakelow Park and Coneygreave Drive**

Following our question at the MP Forum on Wednesday SDDC Planning have agreed a consultation on the "Conifers". No more detail at present, as per chairman 29/9

**h** **Post boxes**

 **i Battery storage plants & Solar farms**

 **j Roundabouts at Dracan width query**

Email sent to Richard Hanbury 10th July. No response rec’d. Chased 27th August and a response was received stated the matter had been forwarded to two colleagues to answer. Nothing received therefore chased again 25th September.

 **k Rising number of social housing on Dracan**

 **l Recruitment of new councillors**

Vacancy notices published on website and noticeboard by clerk 25th September,

 **m Parish Council New Vice Chairman**

 **n Questions to raise with Steffan Saunders**

Cllr Treacy attended meeting to address

 **o An increase in precept to cover grounds maintenance**

A suggestion from September’s meeting by Cllr Cobley, in line with some other parish councils.

**p Councillor Johns resignation**

**q Renewal of Insurance with Zurich. £112 inc employers liability.**

**r Lack of gutter and pavement weeding drain clearance, litter picking and hedge cutting along with streetlights, raised by CM email 23/9**

**s Ongoing dust issues with John Mills.**

 **t Items for next agenda:**

**15 Items for information only**

 The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Wednesday 8th October,**

 **2025, 7pm**, at the Immanuel Church