

DAGLINGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

MINUTES

Held on 2nd February 2026 at 7.30 pm

In the Village Hall

1.	Welcome and Introductions by the Chair.
2.	Attendance: Councillors Graham White, Paul Lane, Ross Sharpe, 2 members of public. District Councillor Julia Judd, County Councillor Mark Harris.
3.	Apologies from Cllr Bullock and Cllr Pritchard.
4.	There were no Declarations of Interest for matters on the agenda.
5.	Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 24th November 2025 were approved.
6.	Report from District Cllr Julia Judd: See Cllr Judd's Parish Report for February: in particular Retrofit Roadshows and Crowdfunding. Chair will forward to Chair Village Hall Committee. Refuse collection running fine in Daglingworth. Take care not to use Parish UK website as this is unofficial. Success in prosecuting fly tippers. Report from County Councilor Mark Harris: Various workstreams have been established to advise the Councils on Local Government re-organisation. Ministerial decision on proposals expected August 2026 with elections May 2027. Some further consultation expected. GCC Council Tax rise 4.99% in line with other parts of the country: increased spending on highways and flooding, Care Help and Youth Clubs. Cllr Harris reconfirmed his interest in a site visit to talk about surface water run-offs. Parish Cllr Pritchard will arrange in due course. Chair thanked both Councilors for their attendance and they left the meeting.
7.	Townsend's Orchard: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Purchase complete.2. Stream clearance delayed because of high water level. Village resident is hoping to remove some old planks from bridge when water subsides.3. Agreed new rate for Nic's Mowing 2% increase. Cheque for £1375 raised for half year.4. Wedding reminder for 28th August 2026.

8.	<p>Highway drainage: Cllr Pritchard putting together a sub group to provide a paper on surface water from highways including Dowers Hill, School Lane and Overley Hill grip for submission to GCC/CDC.</p> <p>Lorries: Cllr Sharpe had been in discussions with Bathurst Estate Manager regarding logging lorries. They have been told to avoid the village and it is hoped these instructions will be followed.</p> <p>Parking in Church Lane: a member of public raised the matter of parking causing residents problems. A solution could be for the village hall to allow use of 3 parking spaces for the cottages in Main St. Chair will progress a request to Chair Village Hall Committee.</p> <p>There was a vote of thanks to our retiring Village Warden.</p>
9.	<p>Mortuary building coping stones:</p> <p>Cllr Sharpe, Architect, has inspected and confirmed work will be required to repair the roof. Also the window needs some attention. Cllr Sharpe will seek informal opinion on cost from one of his contacts</p> <p>Archives: GCC Archivist to inspect on 18th March</p>
10.	<p>Current Account balance: £13,440.49.</p> <p>VAT reclaim has been submitted</p> <p>3% rise in Parish precept submitted.</p>
11.	<p>Village Hall Constitution: at the public meeting recently it was accepted that the hall is for the benefit of Daglingworth residents not the wider area and the Objectives should make this clear.</p>
12.	<p>Meeting at Daglingworth Quarry to be arranged.</p>
13.	<p>Date of next meeting: 13th April 2026 @ 7.30 pm.</p>