

DAMERHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Extraordinary Meeting held
on Monday 16th February 2026 in Damerham Village Hall

Councillors present: Chairman P Tandy, Vice Chairman D Crane, Cllrs G Ruth, R Major, P Stephen
Members of the public present: 2 Others present: Parish Clerk: Lindsey Malcom

Public participation: None

25.7.1 APOLOGIES AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM: Cllrs Anderson, Bellows, Doherty, Pardoe sent their apologies. Quorem was declared.

25.7.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY ANY COUNCILLOR ON ANY AGENDA ITEM: None

25.7.3 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS

3.1 To receive and comment on applications received

25/11081 SPRINGFIELD, MILL END, DAMERHAM SP6 3HU

Single-storey detached outbuilding comprising garage, workshop and home office
The applicants were present at the meeting and discussed how they had addressed previous objections, including those from neighbours and Dark Skies concerns. Cllr Crane proposed and Cllr Stephens seconded PAR3 approval. All voted in favour and it was RESOLVED to recommend PAR3 approval as neighbours were happier with new application and previous concerns have been addressed. The design was considered much better than in the original application.

25/10830 COWSLIP COTTAGE, LOWER DAGGONS LANE, SOUTH END, DAMERHAM SP6 3HW

Insert one velux window in the south facing side of the roof in the main bedroom.
Cllr Ruth proposed, Cllr Crane seconded PAR3 approval. All voted in favour and it was RESOLVED to recommend PAR3 approval as it was considered a sensible alteration and balances existing windows. It also does not overlook neighbouring properties.

3.2 To review decisions received from the NFDC Planning Authority: None

3.3 Other planning matters: Grant of Premises Licence (S17) Ref: LICPR/26/00504 - Open Arms Festival, South Allenford Farm - The councillors noted the decision.

25.7.4. PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

4.1 To review quotes for bus stop roof: The Clerk circulated two quotes to councillors, which will be submitted for grant application by 28th February. The Clerk advised that she had contacted another two companies and was awaiting quotes. The Chairman confirmed that planning permission is not required if slate or corrugated sheets used. If grant not received, there is possibility of using council funds to replace roof.

25.7.5. AOB

5.1 Report from Cllr Crane on NFDC Local Plan presentation: Cllr Crane went to NFDC presentation of the Local Plan on Friday 13th February which was well attended. The Local Plan contains proposals for 3 sites around Fordingbridge to build new houses - to the south 600 houses up to 2043. This is a flood risk area and close to conservation areas. To the east of Fordingbridge an additional 300 houses up to 2043 is proposed. This is close to the boundary with the National Park and also a flood risk area. North/northwest of Fordingbridge another 600 houses proposed up to 2043. Councillors were concerned with flood risk, as flooding already a problem in all areas. There was no mention of additional facilities for the extra population. Cllr Crane wanted to encourage people to make individual objections. The Chairman thanked Cllr Crane for attending.

5.2 To consider and vote on Sandleheath sign position and road markings: The councillors discussed Sandleheath's request to have Sandleheath village gates just inside Damerham parish boundary as required by Hampshire County Council for safety reasons. Cllr Crane pointed out that area often floods, so painting on the road may not last. The gate on the north side of road is subject to flooding and under trees so will need more maintenance. The councillors have no objection to the positioning of the gates but require a written agreement with Sandleheath that they will maintain and take full liability for the gates.

- Cllr Crane reported that he has put a piece in the Parish Pump about Cllr Adams-King report on the state of the roads in Hampshire and the financial constraints.
- Cllr Stephens advised the council that replacement of the rotten posts on the pavilion will be the subject of the sports field's s137 application to the parish council this year.

Meeting ended at 20.30

Date of next meeting: Parish Council Ordinary Meeting Monday 16th March 2026 Damerham Village Hall

These are draft minutes until approved at the next meeting
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