

**Minutes of the Sixteenth Annual General Meeting of
The Dove Valley Community Project
(Registered Charity Number 1193032)
held at Tutbury Club, on
Thursday, 15th August, 2024,
commencing at 1905 hours**

**I accept and sign the above Minutes as a true and accurate record of
the proceedings:**

Signed:

**Anthony Ball
Chairman**

Signed:

**Barry Saul
Treasurer**

Dated:

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Minutes of the Sixteenth Annual General Meeting of the Association, held at Tutbury Club, on Thursday, 15th August, 2024, commencing at 1905 hours.

Present:

Anthony Ball	Jenny Hinks
Janet Ball	Hannah McLaughlin
Joan Baxter	Kevin Mould
Peter Baxter	Rachel Mould
Richard Beard	Jessica Piper
Rose Bentley	Stephen Piper
Hayden Betteridge	Denis Robinson
Janet Ebberley	Barry Saul
Owen Jones	Lynne Saul
Stephanie Jones	

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the fifteenth meeting of the Association.

		Action
1.0	Apologies None	
2.0	Adoption of the Minutes of the Fourteenth Annual General Meeting of the Association The minutes of the meeting held on 14 th August, 2023, were officially accepted by all present as a true and accurate account of the meeting. The Chairman, Anthony Ball, and Treasurer, Barry Saul, both signed the document in the Official Minute Book of the Association, as a true record of events.	
3.0	Matters Arising from Minutes of 14th August, 2023	
3.1	Item 6.1 – Community Activity Event with NatWest Stephanie is still pursuing the possibility that her team from NatWest will carry out this event as part of their community involvement but, although there have been constraints by the company, she is still hoping this may go ahead in September.	SO Trustees
3.2	Item 6.2 – New Memorial Post The old post has been removed, and the new memorial post is in situ housed in a galvanised steel base (provided by Austin Cox of AGC Fabrications). A dedication service was held for Keith Sowter, and there will be one for Steve Bannister and their memorial plaques, along with existing plaques, were mounted on the post. Further plaques can be attached should people wish to have a memorial placed on the Meadow.	Trustees
3.3	Item 6.3 – Fundraising Events Following the success of last year's Duck Race Hatton Village Carnival held a Duck Race on 6 th May to raise funds for the Hatton Village Carnival in July. They also held a Dog Show on 14 th April to raise funds for same. They gave DVCP a donation of £200. Nestlé, as part of their Annual Charity Fundraising initiative will be holding a Country Fayre and Duck race on the afternoon of 31 st August in aid of Andy's	

Man Club (a men's mental health charity). They will continue with a hog roast and music until early evening.

3.4 Item 6.6 – Mowing of the Meadow/Removal of Grass

Smith's of Scropton will be coming to mow the Meadow in time for the Nestlé charity event. Discussion took place on the possibility of the overgrown riverbank also being cut back. Smiths and others will be asked if this is possible.

4.0 Trustees of the Association, Members of the Management Committee

The existing Trustees are prepared to remain in Office. The full list of Trustees is confirmed as:

- Anthony Ball
- Peter Baxter
- Richard Beard
- Hayden Betteridge
- Hannah McLaughlin
- Rachel Mould
- Kevin Mould
- Denis Robinson
- Jessica Piper
- Steven Piper
- Barry Saul
- Lynne Saul

It is confirmed that the Trustees and Officers of the Management Committee of the DVCP are:

Chairman: Anthony Ball

Treasurer: Barry Saul

Secretary: Lynne Saul

It is also confirmed that Trustees and Members of the Management Committee of DVCP are:

Ordinary Members:

Peter Baxter

Richard Beard

Hayden Betteridge

Hannah McLaughlin

Rachel Mould

Kevin Mould

Jessica Piper

Steven Piper

Denis Jeremy Robinson

5.0 Report by the Chairman – Anthony Ball

Anthony welcomed everyone to the AGM and thanked Tutbury Club for allowing us to use their premises and thanked all the Trustees for their continued support. He also thanked David Jones for undertaking the verification of DVCP accounts and Lynne for continuing to run the bonus ball draw which has made a huge difference to DVCP's finances.

The last year on the Meadow has been quite trouble free except for the damaged caused by construction vehicles in the picnic area – this will be

	discussed fully in item 7.1.	
	The Hatton Village Carnival Committee have used the Meadow for two events this year with the dog show being a huge success. There was a problem with parking down the cul-de-sac but, should the event go ahead next year, this problem will be resolved. However, the Duck Race was marshalled better. The Committee donated to DVCP £200. Unfortunately, we have seen the passing of one of our members – Rob Fleming who will be missed for his friendly chats.	
6.0	Report by the Treasurer – Barry Saul We had another successful year with our funds standing at £15,637.21 – an increase of £551.64 on the previous year. The bonus ball provided a large part of our income with a profit of £1,129 which helped cover most of our expenses. We did have to pay out £370 to have the mower serviced but, as we had been granted monies from the Big Lottery fund, we were able to purchase a new, improved mower which will not require servicing this year. Due to interest rate rises we received £245 more in bank interest and, as we didn't have to mow the Meadow as often, saved £80 in petrol costs. So, if we continue to run the bonus ball and still receive donations for hosting events on the Meadow, we should be able to keep a healthy balance in the DVCP's bank accounts for the times when we are not able to obtain monies from these sources.	
7.0	Any Other Business:	
7.1	Restranging of Electricity Cables/Restoration Work to Land – National Grid: This massive undertaking began in November 23 when contractors came to the Meadow to take samples of the existing concrete bases to ascertain that the concrete was still viable – the bases to our pylon were found to be faulty and remedial work is to be carried out in September. During their works on site, which took place after the Meadow had been in flood, they completely rutted and tore up the picnic area. As we look after this area for Hatton Parish Council, DVCP and HPC have been in touch with National Grid and we have been assured that the ground will be made good. As numerous visits to site will be required to carry out the restranging and the remedial work to the bases, a meeting was arranged on site with members of National Grid, Groundline, Woods, HPC and DVCP Trustees on 23rd July and it was agreed the reparation work to the land will be carried out in the Autumn. National Grid have Wayleave Rights to carry out any works necessary to their equipment on landowners land but we receive a Wayleave Payment of £3.45.	DVCP/ HPC
7.2	Forthcoming Events on Thistley Place Meadow: Rachel Mould, who works for Truma, has been approached by their management team about the possibility of holding their works/community event next summer on the Meadow. She is awaiting the confirmation letter from Truma regarding the event but it will possibly be in the afternoon for Truma families and friends together with members of the community with the usual attractions you would find at a country fair plus rides for the children. The event would continue into evening with music. She said that, if it was successful, then it could become an annual event. She had told the directors	Trustees

	that they would be required to make a donation to DVCP for hosting the event and they have initially agreed a sum of £300. Discussion on this took place and everyone agreed that this would be a good event to host for the whole community but that the evening session should end at around 10.00 p.m. so as not to disturb the residents around the Meadow.	
7.3	Grants Received: Big Lottery Community Fund: We were granted £6,899 from BLCF in March and we were able to purchase the new sit on mower from Tutbury Garden Machinery. This replaced the existing mower which was 8 years old and was developing numerous problems which would have been prohibitively expensive to address. The new mower, a Club Cadet XZ6-S127 with a 50-inch cut, not only has a wider cut but is much faster and efficient. DCC Members' Community Leadership Grant: Julie Patten granted us £230 from this fund in June to purchase new picnic tables for fundraising events.	
7.4	Clearance of Unwanted Items from large Container: The storage container houses all the marquees, tables and chairs and other items required for the project/events. However, there are numerous items in there that are no longer required or left over from car boot sales, etc., and need disposing of, and help will be required to clear it out and dispose of these items either by recycling or donating to charity shops. We have already disposed of two old petrol generators (which were originally given to us). If anyone could give a hand with this task it would be much appreciated.	ALL
7.5	Cutting Back/Reshaping Shrubberies: Some of the shrubberies are now very overgrown, cover the pathways and make mowing difficult. There are also some trees in the shrubberies (which were originally transplanted there by the Environment Agency when they constructed the flood banks but not returned to their original planting places). It was decided to investigate getting quotes to undertake this work. Rachel suggested Rob Bates and she has since contacted him for a quote. When received the Trustees will consider if it is viable for us to have this work done.	Trustees
8.0	Date of 2025 Annual General Meeting: The date of the 2025 AGM will be decided at the First Trustees Meeting in January 2025.	

The meeting closed at 2000 hours.

Lynne Saul
 Trustee & Secretary to the Association
 16th August, 2024

DOVE VALLEY COMMUNITY PROJECT
(Registered Charity Number 1193032)
Verified Accounts for Financial Year 1st April, 2023 – 31st March, 2024

Description	In (£)	Out (£)	Sub Totals (£)	Balance b/f (£)
General Fund:				15,085.57
Income:				
Donations	193.00		193.00	
Bonus Ball Income – 2023/24	2,689.00	1,590.00	1,099.00	
Advance Bonus Ball payments for 2024/25	24.00		24.00	
HMRC Charities Payment (Gift Aid Refund)	146.62		146.52	
DCC Members' Community Leadership Grant towards New Signage	244.00		244.00	
Hatton Village Carnival Committee donation used in part towards New Signage	300.00		300.00	
Electricity credits towards usage from 2021/23 for Xmas Lights	16.81		16.81	
Wayleave Payment from NPower	3.45		3.45	
Bank Account Interest	389.88		389.88	
Amazon Smile Charity Fund	20.12		20.12	
Sub Total:				2,436.88
				17,522.45
Expenses:				
Public Liability/Personal Accident & Equipment Insurance		467.97	467.97	
Electricity Charges 2023 (Xmas Lights)		16.81	16.81	
Mower Service		370.07	370.07	
Replacement Christmas Tree Lights		26.66	26.66	
Petrol Costs		178.65	178.65	
SDDC – Renewal of Lotteries Licence		20.00	20.00	
Items for Project		68.68	68.68	
Donations to charity on death of DVCP members		25.00	25.00	
TCV Renewal (Granted free again)		Nil		
Unity Bank- Service Charges		72.00	72.00	
New Signage for Meadow		443.16	443.16	
Web Hosting Renewal		118.74	118.74	
Thank you payment to Bill Douthwaite via National Garden Voucher		52.50	52.50	
Hatton Parish Council – Peppercorn Rent paid by DVCP to maintain Hatton Picnic Area		5.00	5.00	
Payment to Farmer for Cutting Thistley Place Meadow		20.00	20.00	
Sub Total:				1,885.24
Total Funds held by DVCP March 2024				15,637.21

**Account verification donated by
Hatton Parish Council continue to pay for dog bin emptying**

I confirm that I have reviewed the Community's books and bank records and can confirm that the above report is prepared in accordance with those records.

David Jones

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Dated:

10/06/2024

Barry Saul

Barry Saul (Treasurer to DVCP)

Dated:

10/06/2024

DOVE VALLEY COMMUNITY PROJECT
(The 'Association')
(Registered Charity Number 1193032)

Notes to the Financial Verification Report to 31st March, 2024

Assets held by the Dove Valley Community Project as at 31st March, 2024

- Thistley Place Meadow and Nature Reserve Gates to same
- Trailer + Various Tools
- Cub Cadet Sit on Mower
- Wooden Punt
- 82 Stackable metal chairs
- 16 collapsible tables – various sizes
- 10ft Security Shed
- 20 ft Security Shed
- 2 x Wheelchair Accessible Picnic Benches
- 1 x Ordinary Picnic Bench
- 4 x Benches without backs
- 3 x Benches with backs
- Derbyshire Flags and Flagpole
- 2 Heavy Duty Shredders
- 3 x Marquees + 3 x Steel Gazebos + 2 Pop up Gazebos and feet
- Calor Gas BBQ & Tea Urn
- Set of Children's Goal Posts

Cash held in the Association's Bank Account and Petty Cash – **£15,637.21**

Thanks to Everyone

This project would not be achievable without the assistance of our supporters. During the Year Ended 31st March, 2024, the Association would particularly like to thank the following people/organisations:

- Everyone, both inside and outside of DVCP, who have paid into our Bonus Ball Weekly Draw
- Austin Cox, of AG Fabrications, for again donating items for the project
- Councillor Jullie Patten for again supporting us through the DCC Members' Community Leadership Fund
- Nestlé for donating the Christmas tree
- David Jones for donating the verification of DVCP Annual Accounts
- Unmetered Electricity Supply – Npower – overcharged since £2021 (£20.59) – consumption 2023 (£16.81) credited against these accounts. Further £7.06 will be credited against 2024 usage.
- All stationery is donated
- To each and every one of you who has volunteered both their time and efforts by working on the project and helping out at fundraising events – thank you so much for your hard work and dedication.