

Unconfirmed Minutes of Dalton Holme Annual Parish Meeting  
& Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 6th May 2026

Annual Parish Meeting

APM01/26 – Apologies from Parish Councillors: Jane Pearson-Moore, Mark Colley, Neil Donkin, and Caroline Marshall.

Dalton Holme Parish Council members present: Lord Hotham, Simon Fairbank and Graham Bulmer.

Ward Councillor Jeremy Wilcock could not attend.

Visitors: No Parishioners were present at the meeting.  
Mr Gareth Rees, the Clerk, was also present.

APM02/26. The Minutes of the 2023/24 APM & APCM

This section is to review last year's minutes and serve as a reminder; the minutes have already been approved.

(The minutes of the above meeting had been circulated to all Parish Councillors for review and subsequent approval. The Parish Councillors present at the meeting agreed that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the meeting. The Chairman then signed the minutes as a true and proper record on behalf of the Parish Council).

## APM03/26. Dalton Holme Parish Council (DHPC) Chairperson's Report Annual Report

The Chairman, Parish Councillor Lord Hotham, presented the Annual Chairperson's report.

### **Dalton Holme Parish Council Highlights – Chairman's Report 2025/26**

- **General** - All the Parish Council's business has been carried out effectively.
- **Finances** – The Parish Council's finances have been well managed and are in good shape. See the Annual Governance & Accountability Return for full details (available on the website and notice boards).
- **Planning** – All planning applications have been dealt with sympathetically.
- **Defibrillator** –Parish Councillor Mark Colley monitors the defibrillator. The Chairman thanked PC Colley for his work.
- **Thanks** – The Chairman thanked all Parish Councillors for their input and work. As all the work and time given is voluntary, a word of thanks for all their endeavours and commitment is appropriate; the same applies to our hard-working and efficient Parish Clerk and, of course, to residents who submitted views and contributed to the discussions on various issues.

The above report was well received and duly noted.

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APCM01/26 – Apologies – as APM 01/26 above.

APCM 02/26 Election of Chairperson for Dalton Holme Parish Council 2026/27.

Parish Councillor Graham Bulmer proposed that Parish Councillor Lord Hotham be elected as Chairman of the Parish Council.

Parish Councillor Simon Fairbank seconded this proposal.

A vote was taken, and the resolution was carried unanimously.

### APCM 03/26 Declaration of Acceptance

Declaration of Acceptance forms had previously been witnessed by the Clerk, Mr Gareth Rees.

### APCM 04/26 Election of Vice Chairperson for Dalton Holme Parish Council 2026/27.

Parish Councillor Simon Fairbank proposed that Parish Councillor Graham Bulmer be elected as Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council.

Parish Councillor Lord Hotham seconded this proposal.

A vote was taken, and the resolution was carried unanimously.

APCM 05/26 – as APM 02/26 above.

### APCM 06/26 Register of Interest

The Clerk reported that all RoI's are up to date.

### APCM 07/26 Accounts

7.1 The Clerk gave a detailed review of the Parish Council Accounts, which included;

- a) Certificate of Exemption.
- b) Annual Internal Audit Report.
- c) Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement.
- d) Section 2 – Accounting Statements.
- e) Analysis of variances.
- f) Bank reconciliation.
- g) Budget approval 2025/2026.

Parish Councillor Lord Hotham proposed the following:

- The Parish Council accept the Certificate of Exemption.
- The Parish Council have reviewed and accepted the Internal Audit feedback.
- AGAR Sections 1&2, Bank reconciliation, Analysis of variances, be accepted as an accurate record of the PC accounts.
- Budget for 26/27 confirmed.

Seconder: The above proposal was seconded by Parish Councillor Graham Bulmer. A vote was taken, and the resolution was carried unanimously.

Resolved: All accounts and budgets listed above were accepted and adopted by the Parish Council.

All information is available on the Parish Council website.

7.2 Selection of the Internal Auditor for the Financial Year 26/27. To be confirmed.

APCM8/26. Discuss and review the following adopted procedures to ensure they remain fit for purpose.

- a) Standing Orders (SO).
- b) Code of Conduct (CoC).
- c) Financial Regulations (FR) & Financial Risk Assessment (FRA).

After some discussion, no amendments were deemed necessary.

APCM9/26. Parishioner Question Time.

There were no Parishioners present at the meeting.

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