

Dunham-on-Trent with Ragnall, Darlton and Fledborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 31 January 2012
at 7.00 pm in Dunham & District Millennium Centre

Present: Cllr. M. Mathews (Chair), Cllr. P. Marsh, Rona Mackenzie-Batterbury,
Cllr. L. Sharpe, DCllr. S. Isard, Cllr. K. Watkinson.

In attendance: M Annable (Clerk), PC. B. Bailey.

- 1 Apologies for Absence:** DCllr. K. Isard, Cllr R. Grimes, Cllr. R. James,
Cllr P. Batterbury, Cllr. M. Barden (attended Normanton Meeting).
- 2 Declarations of Interest:** None
- 3 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 20 December 2011**
The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true record.
- 4 Matters Arising from the above Minutes and any urgent business**
 - a) Parking Issues – Ragnall
PC Bill Bailey explained his findings about the parking issues at Ragnall. Referring back to his report last month the situation remains the same. He stated that residents of Roberts Close do have their own drives but still park on the slip road to Roberts Close. The Chairman said how this causes difficulty with manoeuvring at Roberts Close because of the parked cars. No further action will be taken.
 - b) J G Pears (Newark) Ltd.
Environment and the Planning Departments officers from BDC had held a meeting at Normanton to voice public opinion about the proposed planning application to extend the plant. The plans propose to build a heat and power plant, install auxiliary boilers and silos, build new office premises, additional trailer/car parking facilities and other associated works. A second application proposes to build higher chimneys and install a lid for the existing peat beds. PCllr M. Barden attended the meeting and reported back to the Parish Council stating that the meeting was well attended and raised people's concerns about the increase in traffic, the smell, quality of life, standard of living and the conduct of lorry drivers, much of which affects many other villages away from Low Marnham. The Clerk had requested a copy of the planning application in order for the Parish Council to convene and discuss the implications for Dunham and District parishes.
 - c) Village signage
The primary school children had submitted their designs for an emblem for the village signs. The pictures were displayed at the meeting and the Parish Councillors chose one for each village. It was decided that the efforts made by the children should be awarded and 4 gift tokens which will be presented at the school. It is now hoped that the application for signs is successful.
- 5 To Report on:**
 - a) Accidents: A collision occurred on a bend in Ragnall over the Christmas period demolishing a wall. No further details available.
 - b) Criminal Acts: 24.01.12 Attempted theft at Ragnall, items stolen were found discarded around the village.

- c) Highways A57: The Highways Department had issued a revised bulletin for major road works on the A57 - now to commence 27 February 2012. Notices on display in each Parish.
- d) Highways Parish: Nothing to report.
- e) Footpaths & Parish Lanes: It was reported that farmers had clearly marked public footpaths across their land following the demise of the P3 scheme.

6 Public Discussion – No members of the public were present.

7 Village Maintenance – Nothing to report.

8 Planning Matters

Location: The White Swan, Main Street, Dunham on Trent

Proposal: Two Storey Extension forming Toilet Block with Bedroom Over
Permission Granted.

Location: 2 & 7 Cartwright Close and 1 – 6 Leach Close, Dunham on Trent

Proposal: Installation of Air Source Heat Pumps
Application Withdrawn

9 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council

Local Improvement Scheme Event to be held 15 May 2012

Minerals Local Plan Consultation – 27.01.12 to 30.03.12

Bassetlaw District Council

Liaison Group Agenda 25 January 2012

Spring Clean – 08.04.12 to 22.04.12

General

NHS Positive January 2012

Nottinghamshire Police Authority – Have your say on Budget Proposals

Trent Vale Newsletter

N.A.L.C

Clerks & Councils Direct

Planning explained from NALC

10 Financial Matters

a) Accounts for Payment

- Council approved payment of £297.26 to M. Annable for January 2012. Clerks salary (£221.28) + expenses (£75.98). Cheque 300636
- Council approved payment of £70.00 to Mr. C. Gaisford for litter picking/street cleaning for January 2012 + £20.16 for Mileage Allowance. Total payment of £90.16. Cheque 300637
- Council approved payment of £62.40 to County Supplies for Office requisites. Cheque 300638
- Council approved payment of £876 to Dunham PCC for the maintenance of the churchyards being the Annual Grant. Cheque 300639
- Council approved payment of £605 to Fledgelings Pre-School Playgroup being the Annual Grant. Cheque 300640
- Council approved payment of £605 to Dunham on Trent Senior Citizens Club being the Annual Grant. Cheque 300641
- Council approved payment of £165 to the Trentsiders being the Annual Grant. Cheque 300642

b) Income
£8.51 National Savings Account (annual interest).

c) <u>Balance of Accounts</u>	£
Current Account:	6484.15
Deposit Account	<u>4264.52</u>
	<u>10,748.67</u>

d) Transfer of Funds
None

Date and Time of Next Meeting - The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Tuesday 28 February 2012 at 7.00 pm** there being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.00 p.m.

Signed  (Chairman)

Date 28-02-12

Dunham-on-Trent with Ragnall, Darlton and Fledborough Parish Council

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at 7.00 pm in Dunham & District Millennium Centre

Present: Cllr. M. Mathews (Chair), Cllr. P. Marsh, Rona Mackenzie-Batterbury,
Cllr. L. Sharpe, DCllr. S. Isard, Cllr. K. Watkinson, Cllr R. Grimes.

In attendance: M Annable (Clerk).

1 Apologies for Absence: DCllr. K. Isard, Cllr P. Batterbury.

2 Declarations of Interest: None

3 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 31 January 2012
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4 Matters Arising from the above Minutes and any urgent business

a) J G Pears (Newark) Ltd.

The Planning Application for extensive works at J. G. Pears had been received from Bassetlaw District Council and discussed by the Parish Council at a special meeting held on 15 February to discuss the implications and the impact these proposals would have on all four Dunham and District parishes.

As a result it was deemed necessary to hold a public meeting to air the views of the public, this was arranged for 20 February 2012.

The plans proposing to build a heat and power plant, install auxiliary boilers and silos, build new office premises, additional trailer/car parking facilities, build higher chimneys and install a lid for the existing peat beds and other associated works were displayed at the meeting.

The meeting was well attended and raised people's concerns about the increase in traffic, the obnoxious smell both from the plant and from passing vehicles, the inability for a rural setting to cope with such a dramatic change which would affect their quality of life and standard of living.

The Clerk provided the Parish Council with a comprehensive report from the public meeting which covered all the points of objection. This was approved by the Parish Council and a copy of the report will be sent to the Planning Department. **Action: M. Annable**

b) Village signage

The application for village signs was successful and they are currently in the process of being manufactured. They will display the designs created by the Dunham on Trent Primary School children. A draft picture sent to the Clerk by e.mail from the L.I.S. co-ordinator and was viewed at the meeting. Minor changes were discussed and agreed and the Clerk should contact the co-ordinator, note the changes and give the go ahead for the signs to be produced. **Action: M. Annable**

c) Dunham on Trent Church

It was reported that jackdaws and crows were nesting in the defunct church tower and causing nuisance to residents living nearby. The Clerk was asked to notify the Rev. Julia Jesson. **Action: M. Annable**

d) Police

An e.mail received from beat officer Bill Bailey was read out to the meeting informing the Parish Council of changes to their role of duty. There will no longer be a police presence at Parish Council meetings and the Beat Officers will try and structure parish 'walkabouts' to occur in the hour or so before the meetings start. No crime figures will be sent by e.mail. This is because the crime figures are now available to all at www.police.uk. The Parish Council objected to these changes and the Clerk was asked to convey this view back to Bill Bailey. **Action: M. Annable**

5 To Report on:

- a) Accidents: A Road Traffic Accident had occurred 22.02.12 between Ragnall and Fledborough. The Police were informed.
- b) Criminal Acts: Nothing to report.
- c) Highways A57: It was noted that the 2nd phase of the major road works between the crossroad and Darlton will rectify the surface erosion on that stretch of road.
- d) Highways Parish: It was reported that No. 2 Lamp on Laneham Road is out. The poor road surface between Ragnall and Fledborough needs attention these matters will be reported to the Highways Department. It was reported that HGV's from Cottam Power Station are cutting through Ragnall to access the A1. The Clerk was asked to write to the Power Station. **Action: M. Annable**
- e) Footpaths & Parish Lanes: The footpath between Upper Row and Laneham Road is overgrown with bambles and needs to be cut back. Laneham Road footpaths were reported as being strewn with mud from farming vehicle. The Clerk was asked to write to the farmer concerned. **Action: M. Annable**

6 Public Discussion – No members of the public were present.

7 Village Maintenance – Nothing to report.

8 Planning Matters

Location: Darlton Hall Farm, Darlton, Newark

Proposal: Conversion of Barns to form Dwelling (Amendment to P/A 13/11/00002)

No objections.

9 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council

Consultation on Change to Governance Arrangements.

Bassetlaw District Council

Localism Act Update – Abolition of the Standards Board regime

General

NHS Positive March 2012

Nottinghamshire Police Changes

N.A.L.C

Clerks & Councils Direct

10 Financial Matters

a) Accounts for Payment

- Council approved payment of £83.29 to BT. Cheque 300643
- Council approved payment of £165.00 to Dunham & District Village Hall for Room Hire charges 2011. Cheque 300644
- Council approved payment of £111.88 to N.A.L.C. for subscription charge. Cheque 300645
- Council approved payment of £70.00 to Mr. C. Gaisford for litter picking/street cleaning for February 2012 + £20.16 for Mileage Allowance. Total payment of £90.16. Cheque 300646
- Council approved payment of £267.49 to M. Annable for February 2012. Clerks salary (£221.28) + expenses (£46.21). Cheque 300647
- Council approved payment of £88.08 to M. Annable for administrative costs. Cheque 300648

b) Income
None

c) Balance of Accounts

	£
Current Account:	4993.33
Deposit Account	<u>4264.52</u>
	<u>9,257.85</u>

d) Transfer of Funds
None

Date and Time of Next Meeting - The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Tuesday 27 March 2012 at 7.00 pm** there being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.00 p.m.

Signed  (Chairman)

Date 27.03.12

Dunham-on-Trent with Ragnall, Darlton and Fledborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 27 March 2012
at 7.00 pm in Dunham & District Millennium Centre

Present: Cllr. M. Mathews (Chair), CCllr. J. Hemsall, DCllr. S. Isard, Cllr. R. James
Cllr. K. Watkinson, Cllr. M. Barden.

Cllr. P. Marsh, Cllr. L. Sharpe. (arrived at 7.10.)

In attendance: M Annable (Clerk).

Guest speaker: Karen Tarburton (Rural Community Action)

1 Apologies for Absence: DCllr. K. Isard, Cllr. Rona Mackenzie-Batterbury,
Cllr. R.Grimes.

2 Declarations of Interest: None

3 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 28 February 2012
The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4 Matters Arising from the above Minutes and any urgent business

a) J G Pears (Newark) Ltd.

No further progress to report on this Planning Application. According to David Rowen the Planning Officer the proposal is still under investigation with other matters of consideration involved including flooding issues due to the situ of the plant. A site visit will take place prior to the final decision.

b) Village signage

A presentation by the Parish Council took place at the Dunham on Trent Primary School on March 09, awarding £5 gift vouchers to the four children who were selected for their designs for the village signs and treats for the other children who took part.

c) Dunham on Trent Village Hall Grant

The Chairman thanked DCllr. S. Isard for a donation of £250 made to the Friendship Club.

d) Police

Beat officer Bill Bailey will attend Parish Council meetings whenever possible or alternatively forward crime figures via e.mail.

e) Rural Community Action

Karen Tarburton will support and guide the Parish Council with grant applications for further funding for the second phase of the play area at Dunham on Trent. She spoke positively of past achievements and connections she has made to enable her to find various bodies for funding.

f) Rural Officer Funding

A letter had been received from Bassetlaw District Council which regarded salvaging a post threatened with loss due to budget cuts for a Rural Officer. The letter was read out to the meeting. The objective to financially support this post through donations from Parish Councils caused a mixed reaction from Parish Councillors. One view was to equate the donation in terms of an investment should the Rural Officer secure funding for the Parish by way of obtaining substantial grant amounts. In opposition it was stated that the Parish Council should not be asked to fund employment in this way and the question was raised as to whether or not this request is a legal proposition. No decision was reached.

5 To Report on:

- a) Accidents: A Road Traffic Accident had occurred between Ragnall and Fleborough during the first week in March, it was assumed greasy road surface may have been the cause.
16.03.12 – RTA on Main Street, Dunham on Trent.
- b) Criminal Acts: Oil theft at Ragnall Hall occurred during the first week in March. 03.03.12 at Dunham on Trent mobile phone theft from public house. 17.03.12 at Darlton burglary from farm building.
- c) Highways A57: It was reported that a drain cover on the corner near the church has dropped and needs attention and that the road surface through the village of Dunham on Trent is crumbling. **Action: M. Annable**
- d) Highways Parish: The Chairman referred to the change in street lighting confirming that lights will be turned off from midnight to 5.30 am in residential areas, lights may be dimmed on through routes when there is less traffic and a small number of lights in rural areas are being switched off. The response from Councillors varied – some felt that the changes could lead to an increase in crime others felt that the darkness could be a deterrent to crime. The erosion of the road sidings between Ragnall and Fleborough has been investigated by Nottinghamshire County Council and found to be in acceptable order at this present time, however, the road will be monitored for further wear and tear. A letter received from Cottam Power Station highlighted the approved routes for HGV's and disputed whether or not drivers were taking short cuts through Ragnall and in order to address the complaint in detail further information about individual vehicles would be required. Notwithstanding this, reminders of the designated routes will be sent to each company from Cottam Power Station.
- e) Footpaths & Parish Lanes: The footpath between Upper Row and Laneham Road is to be cleared initially by Nottinghamshire County Council Highways, the Clerk will also notify the farmer and request the clearance of hedging debris when the hedge is being cut. Darlton footpath No.'s 5 -14 and Ragnall footpath No.6 Modification Order 2012

6 **Public Discussion** - No members of the public were present.

7 **Village Maintenance** - Problems relating to birds nesting in the church tower were reported in writing to the Rev. Julia Jesson, no reply received at the date of the meeting.

8 Planning Matters

Location: Darlton Hall Farm, Darlton, Newark

Proposal: Conversion of Barns to form Dwelling (Amendment to P/A 13/11/00003L)

Permission Granted.

9 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council

Foster Care Recruitment Campaign Information.

Bassetlaw District Council

Funding request for Rural Officer

General

NHS Positive March 2012

Trent Vale Newsletter
Nottinghamshire Fire & Rescue Response
Newark & Sherwood LDF Plan Document
Came & Co. Insurance charges for events (The Queen's Diamond Jubilee)

N.A.L.C

None

10 Financial Matters

a) Accounts for Payment

- Council approved payment of £70.00 to Mr. C. Gaisford for litter picking/street cleaning for March 2012 + £20.16 for Mileage Allowance. Total payment of £90.16. Cheque 300649
- Council approved payment of £282.56 to M. Annable for March 2012. Clerks salary (£221.28) + expenses (£61.28). Cheque 300650
- Council approved payment of £64.65 to M. Annable for administrative costs. Cheque 300651
- Council approved payment of £452.55 to Dunham and District Village Hall for the Annual Grant. Cheque 300652

b) Income

£1,318.85 Tax refund

c) Balance of Accounts

	£
Current Account:	4296.28
Deposit Account	<u>4264.52</u>
	8560.80

d) Transfer of Funds

None

Date and Time of Next Meeting - The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Tuesday 24 April 2012 at 7.00 pm** there being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.15 p.m.

Signed  (Chairman)

Date 24.04.12

Dunham-on-Trent with Ragnall, Darlton and Fledborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 24 April 2012
at 7.00 pm in Dunham & District Millennium Centre

Present: Cllr. M. Mathews (Chair), DCllr. S. Isard, Cllr. R. James, Cllr. M. Barden.
Cllr. P. Marsh, Cllr. L. Sharpe, Cllr. Rona Mackenzie-Batterbury.

In attendance: M Annable (Clerk).

1 Apologies for Absence: CCllr. J. Hempsall, DCllr. K. Isard, Cllr. R. Grimes,
Cllr. K. Watkinson.

2 Declarations of Interest: None

3 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 27 March 2012
The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4 Matters Arising from the above Minutes and any urgent business

a) J G Pears (Newark) Ltd.

No further progress to report on this Planning Application. The Clerk was asked to gather past written complaints sent to J. G. Pears to strengthen the case history of nuisance made by this company to residents of the district.

b) Post Office Update

A letter from the Post Offices informed the Parish Council that the vacancy for an establishment to facilitate a Post Office outlet has not been filled. The Post Office is still advertising the vacancy on their website and are keen to reintroduce the service once a venue has been found.

c) Oil Theft - Dunham on Trent Village Hall

The Chairman informed the meeting about two separate thefts of oil taken from the Village Hall and the subsequent extensive works and expense that had been caused as a result. He spoke of the difficulty in trying to prevent this type of crime and is hopeful that the measures now in place will deter this happening again. The Police are aware and are pleased to see that security cameras are in place and they are keeping a close watch on the Hall and the surrounding area.

d) Roaming livestock

It was reported that large game birds are crossing the road on Main Street, Ragnall. Motorists have had to swerve to avoid the birds and this could potentially cause an accident. The Clerk was asked to write a courtesy letter to the owners of the birds at Ragnall House in the hope that the birds can be kept enclosed in the grounds of the property. **Action: M. Annable**

e) Communication discrepancy from NCC Highways Department

The Clerk informed the meeting about a misunderstanding with regard to the proposed road works recently carried out on the A57. A Bulletin Notice which was displayed in each Parish notice board had stated distances of 600 metres in a westerly direction and 870 metres in an easterly direction. The Clerk was of the understanding that this was to be the length of road to be resurfaced, however, after several phone calls it was established that the distances quoted referred to the Traffic Management, i.e. cones and lights, to be set in place to resurface the crossroad area only. This had caused a delay in the reporting of the poor condition of the road between the cross-roads and Darlton. This defect has now been reported.

5 To Report on:

- a) Accidents: 21.04.12 - RTA at Ragnall crossroads
- b) Criminal Acts: 30.03.12 & 16.04.12 two separate thefts of oil at Village Hall. 16.04.12 at Darlton burglary from a farm building.
- c) Highways A57: It was reported that the poor road surface between the crossroads on the A57 with Ragnall and Laneham Road has been reported to the Highways Department. **Action: M. Annable**
- d) Highways Parish: Nothing to report
- e) Footpaths & Parish Lanes: No.4 Long Row Cottages, Fledborough – it was reported that the garden of this property is intermittently flooded because the drain on that section of road needs to be repositioned on the opposite side, away from the properties. The Clerk was asked to make enquiries. **Action: M. Annable**

6 Public Discussion - No members of the public were present.

7 Village Maintenance – Nothing to report

8 Planning Matters

Location: Lower Barn, Upper Row, Dunham on Trent

Proposal: Install Additional Velux Window to North Facing Elevation

The Parish Council did not object to this proposal but did ask that the height and all other specifications on the proposal were strictly adhered to.

9 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council

Craft Fair Information.

Parish Council's Liaison Group Agenda 25 April 2012

Pride in Bassetlaw Questionnaire

Invitation to Civic Service – 24.06.12

Bassetlaw District Council

Letter confirming Annual Precept from BDC

General

NHS Positive April 2012

Thank you letter from Fledglings (Annual Grant)

Update of Post office service

Changes to National Savings Bank service

N.A.L.C

None

10 Financial Matters

a) Accounts for Payment

- Council approved payment of £2,160 to County Oil Tanks for maintenance work carried out at the Village Hall. Cheque No. 300653
- Council approved payment of £70.00 to Mr. C. Gaisford for litter picking/street cleaning for April 2012 + £20.16 for Mileage Allowance. Total payment of £90.16. Cheque 300654
- Council approved payment of £106.46 to Holmes Groundcare Maintenance for grasscutting services in April 2012. Cheque No. 300655

- Council approved payment of £285.07 to M. Annable for April 2012. Clerks salary (£221.28) + expenses (£63.79). Cheque 300656
- Council approved payment of £684.00 to M. Whate & Son for maintenance work carried out at the Village Hall. Cheque 300657

b) Income
£42.00 Reptile Garden Annual Rent

c) <u>Balance of Accounts</u>		£
	Current Account:	3406.36
	Deposit Account	<u>4264.52</u>
		<u>7670.88</u>

d) Transfer of Funds
None

Date and Time of Next Meeting - Tuesday 29 May 2012 at 7.00 pm
The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.15 p.m.

Signed  (Chairman)

Date 29.05.12

Dunham-on-Trent with Ragnall, Darlton and Fledborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Thursday 21 May 2012
at 6.00 pm in Dunham & District Millennium Centre

Present: Cllr M. Matthews (Chair), Cllr R. James, Cllr. K. Watkinson, Cllr. M. Barden

In attendance: M Annable (Clerk). 2 members of the public attended the meeting.

Apologies: None

Chairman's Comments

The Chairman welcomed all present to the meeting.

Referring to Matters Raised in the previous minutes:-

- 'disagreement with low rent for Reptile Gardens'. Following discussion it was agreed that the rent should increase from £42.00 pa to £45.00 to take effect in the next financial year
- 'continual problem of dog fouling'. The Chairman reported that the Parish Council had notified Bassetlaw District Council during the year and signs had been erected where possible. He added that dog owners should take on the responsibility of effectively clearing the mess made by their dogs.
- 'highway maintenance to carriageway between Whimpton Moor and Darlton' the Clerk reported that the poor state of road surface had been reported to the Highways Department. In light of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the torch journey planned on this route, temporary works will be done in the short term. Further works will follow.

Matters Raised

The following matters were reported:-

- it was reported that further grant funding is being sought via a website to add more play equipment to the play area at Dunham on Trent.
- The Parish Council were thanked by the people in Ragnall for their work in the efforts made to stop the proposed planning application going ahead for J. G. Pears
- the pavement which stops close to the White Swan in Dunham on Trent was reported to be uneven
- it was reported that the dangerous road conditions when attempting to walk along Cocketts Hill need to be addressed. It was suggested that funding should be sought to make the road safe.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting. The meeting closed at 7.00 pm.

SIGNED -----
(Chairman)

DATE-----

Dunham-on-Trent with Ragnall, Darlton and Fledborough Parish Council

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Present: Cllr. M. Mathews (Chair), CCllr. J. Hemsall, Cllr. R. James,
Cllr. M. Barden, Cllr. R. Grimes, Cllr. K. Watkinson, Cllr. L. Sharpe

In attendance: M Annable (Clerk), Sandra Morton, Ian Fielding, (NCC. LIS Scheme).

Nottinghamshire County Council L.I.S.

Village Signs

Before the meeting began, a discussion took place with Sandra Morton and Ian Fielding from the L.I.S. regarding the design for the village signs. An agreement was reached between the Parish Councillors who had drawn up some ideas, and with Ian Fielding (involved in the manufacturing process), which would reflect the efforts of the Dunham Primary School children, look interesting and well balanced on the signs and be feasible within manufacturing restrictions.

Cocketts Hill

Prior to the visit, the Clerk had briefed Sandra Morton of the problems the Parish Council had had whilst engaging in past attempts to improve the virtually impassable stretch of road down Cocketts Hill. Seen by the Parish Council as dangerous to all road users, motorists and pedestrians alike, the issue was raised again at the Annual meeting where suggestion was made to approach the L.I.S. for funding. Sandra Morton and Ian Fielding walked up to the base of the hill and took several photographs. They recognised and agreed with the problems.

1 Apologies for Absence: Cllr. P. Marsh, Cllr. Rona Mackenzie-Batterbury,
Cllr. P. Batterbury.

2 Declarations of Interest: None

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4 Matters Arising from the above Minutes and any urgent business

a) J G Pears (Newark) Ltd.

An update from Bassetlaw District Council revealed that permission has been granted to install bio filter covers. The proposed Biomass Combined Heat & Power Planning Application still has several issues to sort out and will take several weeks to resolve before any decision is reached.

b) New Build Property, Main Street, Dunham on Trent

The Building Control Department at Bassetlaw District Council reported that they cannot do anything in their power to rectify the problem with this property. They have contacted the Environmental Health Department who will visit and assess the site and report back to the Parish Council.

c) Demolition of Cooling Towers

A letter was received from E-on stating that the preparation work for the demolition of the cooling towers at High Marnham began on 3rd May. The demolition of the towers will take place over a three month period. They do not envisage any disruption to local traffic and the work should take place during normal working hours.

d) Community Governance Review

The Parish Council had received a letter from Bassetlaw District Council regarding the review of the number of seats on its' council and stated that there may be other parishes who wish to examine their boundaries, possible merges etc. BDC had been approached by another Parish Council to request the review but as yet BDC have not decided whether they will proceed with this request. The Chairman stated that the considerations set within the process will not affect our parish.

e) Pilot Lengthsman Scheme

The Localism Policy approved in January 2012 gives local communities the opportunity to make decisions at local level. An 'Expression of Interest' to take part in a Pilot Lengthsman Scheme was discussed at the meeting. The basic criteria requires between 4 & 10 parishes to form a cluster. The aim is to employ a Lengthsman to carry out basic but worthy tasks within each parish of the cluster. Funding will be available for a nine month period initially between June 2012 and March 2013. The Clerk was asked to submit an 'Expression of Interest' form. **Action: M. Annable**

f) Play Area Funding

Cllr. K. Watkinson gave a report on the progress of a website consultation site she had set up. Ten people had responded to date and given their views. The Clerk reminded District Councillor J. Hemsall of a letter sent to him in April 2011 requesting help with the funding, he agreed to give £2,000 towards the cost of the new play equipment. **Action: M. Annable**

5 **To Report on:**

a) Accidents: Nothing to report.

b) Criminal Acts: It was reported that there has been an increase of thefts of catalytic converters from motor vehicles.

c) Highways A57: The poor state of road between the crossroads and Darlton on The A57 will be temporarily repaired prior to the torch run for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee – more permanent repairs will follow.

d) Highways Parish: Following an earlier discussion with Sandra Morton (Nottinghamshire County Council) it was decided that the Parish Council should apply for L.I.S. funding to improve the hazardous stretch of road along Cocketts Hill. Additionally, it was agreed that NCC Highways Department should be informed of this problem. **Action: M. Annable**

e) Footpaths & Parish Lanes: Nothing to report.

6 **Public Discussion** - No members of the public were present.

7 **Village Maintenance** – Nothing to report

8 **Planning Matters**

Location: Lower Barn, Upper Row, Dunham on Trent

Proposal: Install Additional Velux Window to North Facing Elevation

Permission Granted

Location: White Swan, Main Street, Dunham on Trent

Proposal: Two Storey Extension forming Toilet Block with Bedroom Over

Permission Granted

Location: Darlton Hall Farm, Darlton, Newark
Proposal: Conversion of barns to Form Dwelling (Amendment to P/A 13/11/00002)
 Permission Granted
 Location: 20 Main Street, Ragnall, Newark
Proposal: Single Storey Rear Extension
 The Parish Council have No Objections against this proposal.

9 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council

Pilot Lengthsman Scheme

Bassetlaw District Council

Community Governance Review

'App' – approach to contacting your local council

General

NHS Positive May 2012

N.A.L.C

None

10 Financial Matters

a) Accounts for Payment

- Council approved payment of £100.30 to BT. Cheque No. 300658
- Council approved payment of £466.00 to M. Whate & Son for maintenance work carried out at the Village Hall. Cheque 300659
- Council approved payment of £413.10 to J. W. Oxby & Son Ltd. for Village Hall machinery. Cheque 300660
- Council approved payment of £70.00 to Mr. C. Gaisford for litter picking/street cleaning for May 2012 + £20.16 for Mileage Allowance. Total payment of £90.16. Cheque 300661
- Council approved payment of £313.72 to M. Annable for May 2012. Clerks salary (£221.28) + expenses (£92.44). Cheque 300662
- Council approved payment of £114.67 to M. Annable for additional Administrative Costs. Cheque 300663

b) Income

£5,142.50 (BDC ½ year precept)

c) Balance of Accounts

	£
Current Account:	5265.17
Deposit Account	<u>4264.52</u>
	<u>9529.69</u>

d) Transfer of Funds

None

e) Annual Audit

The Clerk informed the meeting that the Internal Audit had taken place on 25.05.12. A Statement of Accounts and Assets Register were displayed to the Parish Council for approval. The Clerk informed the meeting of the current balance on the accounts. The Parish Council approved the accounts for the Annual External Audit. The Annual Return was signed by the Chairman and the Clerk.

Date and Time of Next Meeting - Tuesday 26 June 2012 at 7.00 pm
The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40 p.m.

Signed -----(Chairman)

Date 26.06.12-----

Dunham-on-Trent with Ragnall, Darlton and Fledborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 26 June 2012
at 7.00 pm in Dunham & District Millennium Centre

Present: Cllr. M. Mathews (Chair), Cllr. M. Barden, Cllr P. Marsh, Cllr. R. Grimes,
Cllr. K. Watkinson

In attendance: M Annable (Clerk)

Apologies for Absence: Cllr. R. Mackenzie-Batterbury, Cllr. P. Batterbury,
DCllr. K. Isard, DCllr. S. Isard, Cllr. L. Sharpe.

2 Declarations of Interest: None

3 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 29 May 2012

The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4 Matters Arising from the above Minutes and any urgent business

a) J G Pears (Newark) Ltd.

It was reported that officials had visited the site and spoken to local residents about the effects of the planning application, no further action to report.

b) New Build Property, Main Street, Dunham on Trent

Clerk was asked to contact the Environment Department and chase up.

c) High Marnham

A letter received from the National Grid informed the Parish Council of substation replacement and associated works at High Marnham. A Planning Application will be submitted to Bassetlaw District Council during the Summer ahead of which will be a public exhibition to present the plans and invite comment. An event will be held on 27 June 2012 at Low Marnham Village Hall, alternatively this Parish Council can request to have a consultation at a future Parish Council meeting.

d) Pilot Lengthsman Scheme

The Clerk had sent an 'Expression of Interest' form to Nottinghamshire County Council. Discussion to consider what will be expected from this scheme and how it will take place led to the Parish Council being reluctant to enter into a contract whereby the Parish would have to pay for the services of a Lengthsman. A meeting will take place on Thursday 28 June 2012 with NCC in order to move forward if appropriate for this Parish Council. **Action: M. Annable**

e) Play Area Funding

Cllr. K. Watkinson gave a report on a questionnaire she had set up for the school children to give a preference on the type of new play equipment.

f) Village Signs

The Clerk reported that the new signs are currently being redesigned and will be available for the Parish Council to view in a couple of weeks.

5 To Report on:

a) Accidents: Nothing to report.

b) Criminal Acts: 01.06.12 - Woodcoates Lane, Darlton, theft from shop 22.06.12 - Woodcoates Lane, Darlton, Burglary at farm

c) Highways A57: It was reported that the gulleys need clearing on the A57

d) Highways Parish: It was reported that there is a pothole close to a drain on The Green, Dunham

e) Footpaths & Parish Lanes: The application for funding for improvements to Cocketts Hill requires further information and consultation.

6 **Public Discussion** - No members of the public were present.

7 **Village Maintenance** – Nothing to report

8 **Planning Matters**

Location: Trees at Woodlands, Laneham Road, Dunham on Trent

Proposal: Carry out work to trees.

No Objections.

Location: The Vicarage, Laneham Road, Dunham on Trent

Proposal: Street Naming & Numbering

New Address: Woodlands, Laneham Road, Dunham on Trent

9 **Correspondence**

Nottinghamshire County Council - None

Bassetlaw District Council - None

General

NHS Positive June 2012

Notification of newly appointed auditors (Grant Thornton UK LLP)

N.A.L.C

Training Event for Localism Act 2011

10 **Financial Matters**

a) Accounts for Payment

- Council approved payment of £212.92 to Holmes Groundcare Maintenance for grass cutting services during May & June 2012. Cheque 300664
- Council approved payment of £70.00 to Mr. C. Gaisford for litter picking/street cleaning for June 2012 + £20.16 for Mileage Allowance. Total payment of £90.16. Cheque 300665
- Council approved payment of £34.56 to Notts County Supplies for Office Requisites. Cheque 300666
- Council approved payment of £260.09 to M. Annable for June 2012. Clerks salary (£221.28) + expenses (£38.81). Cheque 300667
- Council approved payment of £479.89 to Broker Network Ltd., on behalf of Parish Councils' Annual Insurance with Came & Co. Cheque 300668

b) Income

£3,102.58 Village Hall payment for maintenance

c) Balance of Accounts

	£
Current Account:	6869.80
Deposit Account	<u>4264.52</u>
	<u>11,134.32</u>

d) Transfer of Funds

None

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.15 pm.

Date and Time of Next Meeting - Tuesday 31 July 2012 at 7.00 pm

Signed



(Chairman)

Date 31.07.12

Dunham-on-Trent with Ragnall, Darlton and Fledborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 31 July 2012
at 7.00 pm in Dunham & District Millennium Centre

Present: Cllr. M. Mathews (Chair), CCllr. J. Hemsall, Cllr. R. Grimes,
Cllr. L. Sharpe, Cllr. K. Watkinson.

In attendance: M Annable (Clerk), 3 Members of the Public.

Apologies for Absence: Cllr. M. Barden, Cllr. R. Mackenzie-Batterbury,
Cllr. P. Batterbury, DCllr. K. Isard, DCllr. S. Isard, Cllr P. Marsh.

2 Declarations of Interest: None

3 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 26 June 2012

The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4 Matters Arising from the above Minutes and any urgent business

a) J G Pears (Newark) Ltd.

The Clerk had spoken to Mr. D. Rowan at Bassetlaw District Council regarding the progress of this Planning Application to find that they are waiting for a response from J G Pears for information they have requested from them.

b) New Build Property, Main Street, Dunham on Trent

The Clerk had made contact with the Environment Department who had agreed to visit the property. As a result of their visit they will now contact the Building Control Department and the Land Registry Department to establish ownership. Nothing can be done whilst the property remains empty unless vermin is present.

c) High Marnham

The Clerk and Cllr. M. Barden attended the meeting held on 27 June 2012 at Low Marnham Village Hall. The current sub station dates back to the 1960's and suffers acute deterioration, the parts for maintenance are obsolete. The new sub station will maximise efficiency and improve reliability. A traffic movement profile has been agreed with Nottinghamshire County Council, Highways Department. Cllr. Barden asked that the agreed designated route should be reconsidered in order to minimise traffic movement through Ragnall and Fledborough. The officials present agreed to discuss this matter further with the Highways Agency.

d) Pilot Lengthsman Scheme

The Clerk and Cllr. M. Barden met with Nottinghamshire County Council on 28 June 2012 to discuss the scheme. The Parish Council consequently held a meeting on 05.07.12 and from the information brought forward it was decided that an initial contract, for the pilot period up until March 2013, should be sought. This will bear no cost to the Parish Council. If the employment of a Lengthsman proves to be successful, consideration to a secure and long term placement of the scheme will be decided later in the year. It was arranged prior to the meeting tonight that Mr. Colin Gaisford will take on the role of Lengthsman.

e) Play Area Funding

Cllr. K. Watkinson had received a cheque from County Councillor John Hemsall for £2,000 towards the cost of new play equipment. Meetings with Karen Tarbutton continue to raise other means of funding and appeals have been put forward to local businesses to make donations. The Clerk had requested a bin from Bassetlaw District Council for the play area and an application had been submitted to the Local Initiative Scheme for a public seat. The Parish Council thanked CCllr. Hemsall for his generous donation.

f) Village Signs

The new redesigned signs were viewed and agreed upon during the meeting held on 05.07.12. Nottinghamshire County Council have been informed and the signs are now being manufactured. It was noted that there is only four signs available within this budget year and it was requested by NCC that only two villages should have the four signs i.e. one at each end of their village, however, after discussion the Parish Council felt that it was only fair to the children who designed the signs to install one sign for each village. A further application will be submitted for four further signs next year.

5 **To Report on:**

- a) Accidents: Nothing to report.
- b) Criminal Acts: 28.06.12 – theft of cable from disused farm building in Darlton
- c) Highways A57: In response to the reporting of poor road surface along the A57 between The White Swan and the Toll Bridge in Dunham on Trent Nottinghamshire County Council Highways department stated that a resurfacing scheme is due to take place along Main Street in November which will also include new lining. The verges between the Toll Bridge and the Bridge Inn car park were reported and a cut was scheduled for 24 July.
- d) Highways Parish: It was reported that Bassetlaw District Council had been instructed to sweep the paths in Dunham on Trent. A blocked gully along the path on Laneham Road will be reported.
- e) Footpaths & Parish Lanes: The application for funding for improvements to Cocketts Hill has been submitted to the Local Improvement Scheme and the Highways Agency at Nottinghamshire County Council have been informed with a view to support this project.

6 **Public Discussion** - Members of the public present expressed their views on the planning application in Fledborough (12/01042/FUL). A report (set out below) will be submitted along with the response from the Parish Council – this was read by all present at the meeting.

7 **Village Maintenance** – Nothing to report

8 **Planning Matters**

Location: Trees at Woodlands, Laneham Road, Dunham on Trent

Proposal: Carry out work to trees.

Permission Granted.

Location: 20 Main Street, Ragnall

Proposal: Single Storey Rear Extension

Permission Granted

Location: Old Vicarage & Old Rectory, Fledborough

Proposal: Change of Use for 2 Dwellings from Class C3 (Dwelling Houses) to Class C2 (Residential Institutions)

The Parish Council Object to this proposal (See below).

Planning Application in Fledborough (12/01042/FUL)

A Public Meeting was held on 19.07.12 regarding the above. The Parish Council had been approached by members of the public showing concern about the intentions of this planning application and the potential impact this could have on the local

community. Initially the meeting was arranged for the Parish Council to consider the effects of the application and familiarise themselves with the details. However, the response from the public was intense and rumours were circulating without foundation and on the strength of this situation getting out of hand the public were invited at the eleventh hour. The applicant, John Gifford and his colleague, Damien Napier had contacted the Chairman during the day and had also been invited to attend. 15 members of the public were present.

The purpose of this planning application is for Change of Use and not for alterations to the buildings

The applicant, John Gifford and Damien Napier informed all present about the Caldecott Foundation and the reasoning for wishing to move to this area. Now in its' centenary year the foundation owns 4 homes nationally and houses children from abused backgrounds and places them in a safe environment. The objective is to educate and guide the children to lead a normal life and become an accepted part of society. It was agreed that the children do have challenging behaviour which was one of the major concerns expressed by the public. Also discussed was the fact that the children are not secured and there is a probability that they could escape the grounds of the home and cause disruption in the area, vandalism to properties and fear to local residents. This matter was strongly defended by the applicants who stated that these children are tended to by highly trained staff around the clock, and although there is always the possibility of escapism, it is unlikely to happen, and if it did, the location and grounds around the home would enable the recapture of the child to be much easier. There are risk assessment programmes in place to monitor these situations.

The maximum number of children resident at the home at any given time is ten but is very often less. Referrals would be received from Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire County Councils for placements and the children are then assessed over 3 and 6 month periods.

The outcome of the meeting was not conclusive, but the presence of Mr. Gifford and Mr. Napier was appreciated and they had given the public a better understanding of the situation.

The main objection to the application was that the road leading to the property is not suitable and that the increase in traffic flow would cause difficulties.

The Parish Council will object to this application on the grounds that:-

- The road leading to the home is not suitable for any increase in traffic movement. There are no passing points and there are ditches on either side.
- The area is unsuitable for the setting of a children's home because of dangers posed to them, i.e. pump station, the river Trent, and electricity pylons are close by.
- The neighbouring properties and the residents in the area feel vulnerable.

Several letters that had been sent to Bassetlaw District Council to oppose this application were handed to the Parish Council for their records.

9 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council

TITAN – a project set up to consult with the public about bus and other transport services. To find out more visit:-

www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/passengertransport or visit the local library.

Bassetlaw District Council

Liaison Group Agenda – 11 July 2012

General

NHS Positive July 2012

Fire & Rescue Response

N.A.L.C

Clerks & Councils Direct

10 Financial Matters

a) Accounts for Payment

- Council approved payment of £106.46 to Holmes Groundcare Maintenance for grass cutting services during July 2012. Cheque 300669
- Council approved payment of £70.00 to Mr. C. Gaisford for litter picking/street cleaning for July 2012 + £20.16 for Mileage Allowance. Total payment of £90.16. Cheque 300670
- Council approved payment of £45.00 to Sarah James for Internal Audit. Cheque 300671
- Council approved payment of £295.04 to M. Annable for July 2012. Clerks salary. Cheque 300672
- Council approved payment of £129.23 to M. Annable for Administration Costs incurred in July 2012. Cheque 300673

b) Income

None

c) Balance of Accounts

	£
Current Account:	5792.18
Deposit Account	<u>4264.52</u>
	<u>10,056.70</u>

d) Transfer of Funds

None

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45 pm.

Date and Time of Next Meeting - Tuesday 25 September 2012 at 7.00 pm

Signed  (Chairman)

Date 25.09.12

Dunham-on-Trent with Ragnall, Darlton and Fledborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 25 September 2012
at 7.00 pm in Dunham & District Millennium Centre

Present: Cllr. M. Mathews (Chair), CCllr. J. Hemsall, DCllr. S. Isard, Cllr. L. Sharpe, Cllr. M. Barden, Cllr. K. Watkinson, Cllr. R. Mackenzie-Batterbury - (acting Clerk).

Apologies for Absence: DCllr. K. Isard, Cllr. P. Marsh, Cllr. P. Batterbury, Cllr R. James, M. Annable (Clerk).

2 Declarations of Interest: None

3 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 31 July 2012

The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4 Matters Arising from the above Minutes and any urgent business

- a) Village Signs: the Clerk had passed Cllr. Watkinson's contact details onto Sandra Morton from Nottinghamshire County Council. Cllr. Watkinson made contact with her on 25.09.12 and she had no further updates on the signs. She is looking into when the signs will arrive and will then contact Cllr. K. Watkinson.
- b) Play Area: the application has been delayed until the November deadline so that there is longer to raise money. This will ensure the application can be fully addressed and the playground can include the full range of equipment for the children and be ready for Spring 2013. The group has raised over £2,000 and are awaiting further funds guaranteed by local businesses. The group still requires further funding. Other funding sources were discussed.
Action: Cllr. K. Watkinson will write to those sources to seek further funding.
- c) Planning Application in Fledborough: the Chairman has been advised that planning permission has been granted.
- d) J G Pears: discussions were held over the new planning application by JG Pears. Concerns include: the inability to access documentation on the website; inability to see differences between initial and new application; little time to respond; too much information on the website that appears irrelevant and poorly signposted; photographs are inaccurate and do not adequately represent the true impact of the proposed site; the strength of feeling in the community, leading to 312 letters of objection and a petition with over 600 signatures which is still growing.
Action: Cllr R. Mackenzie-Batterbury (temporary Clerk) will respond to the planning application by email and in writing.
- e) Lengthsman Scheme: this programme appears to be progressing well. We have had positive feedback, in particular from one parishioner. We have received a letter from the scheme inviting our Lengthsman and a member of the Parish Council to attend an evaluation event on Tuesday 13th November 2012 to discuss how the scheme is progressing and for Lengthsmen to meet one another. Dunham Parish Council has been asked to speak about their scheme.
Action: Cllr. M. Barden will respond and the Parish Council will confirm the speaker once the Clerk returns.
- f) New Build Property, Main Street, Dunham: the Parish Council still remains concerned about the state of this property and is awaiting further information from the local council.
- g) Proposed wind turbines: two separate companies have asked Bassetlaw District Council for screening opinions, prior to applying for planning permission to build wind turbines in Ragnall and Darlton. The Parish Council discussed concerns including the height of the wind turbines, their proposed location and proximity to

houses and the visual impact. **Action:** The Clerk will write on behalf of the parishes to oppose this planning application.

- h) Proposed Steam Railway: it has been reported that trees are being taken down and the ground re-laid to install a steam train to run from Fledborough to Saxilby as part of a heritage project. The Parish Council were not aware of this. **Action:** The Clerk will write to Bassetlaw District Council to ask for further information.

5 To Report on:

- a) Accidents: Nothing to report.
- b) Criminal Acts: 28.06.12 – theft of oil from Cartwright in Dunham on Trent in August. This was reported to the police and we believe that they caught the perpetrator. A vicious attack on a horse took place in Darlton a week last Friday – a brood mare was allegedly drugged and seriously injured in an horrific attack. There is great concern that this has happened previously in the local area and the parishioners should be very vigilant
- c) Highways A57: Nothing to report
- d) Highways Parish: the Clerk will write to the Highways Department and report the following issues: in Fledborough, the lane towards the church is in disrepair and the Highways have not responded to previous correspondence, the road from Gauntleys through to Laneham needs the guttering clearing on the roadside: in Ragnall, light No.19 needs a new top: at the end of Ragnall Hall wall through to the end of Far Hill Lane, the hedge needs to be cut: on Far Hill Lane, the reflective posts need replacing. **Action:** the Clerk will write to the Highways Department.
- e) Footpaths & Parish Lanes: Nothing to report

6 Public Discussion – No members of the public were present.

7 Village Maintenance – Nothing to report

8 Planning Matters

Location: Wilmot House, Dunham on Trent

Proposal: Ground floor Extension for bathroom

Permission Granted.

9 Correspondence

We have received confirmation of the appointment of external auditor – Grant Thornton UK LLP.

10 Financial Matters

Accounts for Payment

- Council approved payment of £106.46 to Holmes Groundcare Maintenance for grass cutting services during July 2012. Cheque 300674
- Council approved payment of £250.00 to M. Annable for initial Lengthsman administration costs. Cheque 300675
- Council approved payment of £258.04 to M. Annable for August 2012. Clerks salary £221.28 + expenses £36.76. Cheque 300676.
- Council approved payment of £140.00 to Mr. C Gaisford for Litter Picking/street cleaning + £40.32 for mileage allowance for August & September 2012. Total payment of £180.32. Cheque 300677.
- Council approved payment of £81.58 to BT. Cheque 300678

- Council approved payment of £410.10 to Mr. C. Gaisford for Lengthsman duties during July & August 2012. Cheque 300679.
- Council approved payment of £90.16 to Mr C. Gaisford for litter picking/street cleaning October 2012. Cheque 300680.

b) Income
None

c) <u>Balance of Accounts</u>		£
	Current Account:	6511.79
	Deposit Account	<u>4264.52</u>
		<u>10,776.31</u>

d) Transfer of Funds
None

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.10 pm.

Date and Time of Next Meeting - Tuesday 30 October 2012 at 7.00 pm

Signed  (Chairman)

Date 30.10.12

Dunham-on-Trent with Ragnall, Darlton & Fledborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 30 October 2012
at 7.00 pm in Dunham & District Millennium Centre

Present: Cllr. M. Mathews (Chair), Cllr P. Marsh, Cllr. R. Mackenzie-Batterbury, Cllr. L. Sharpe, Cllr. K. Watkinson, Cllr. M. Barden.

In attendance: M Annable (Clerk)

Apologies for Absence: Cllr. R. Grimes, DCllr. K. Isard, DCllr. S. Isard.

2 Declarations of Interest: None

3 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 25 September 2012

The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4 Matters Arising from the above Minutes and any urgent business

a) J G Pears (Newark) Ltd.

The Clerk had spoken to Mr. D. Rowan at Bassetlaw District Council regarding the progress of this Planning Application to find that they are several months away from making a decision. Cllr. Barden reported that there were 850 objections recorded to date covering the initial application and the submission. The Environment Agency feel it is primarily an issue for them to deal with not Bassetlaw District Council. The number of lorries to be used in transporting waste material remains controversial.

b) High Marnham

A letter received from the National Grid informed the Parish Council that the sub station at High Marnham will not be replaced for the foreseeable future.

c) Pilot Lengthsman Scheme

The Parish Council discussed the progress of the scheme and viewed a number of before and after photographs supplied by Mr. Gaisford. The improvements to the local area are significant. The Clerk reported that a survey regarding the scheme is due to take place later this week, whereby officials from the scheme will visit the area and randomly ask members of the public for their views. An event is also planned for 13 November for the Clerk and the Lengthsman to attend and give a presentation of the work carried out to date. The continuation of the scheme and the financial implications will be considered in the next budget for 2013.

d) Play Area Funding

Cllr. K. Watkinson reported that the Bridge Company at Dunham on Trent had donated £1,000 and the current total is £3,340. A substantial grant of £26,000 has been submitted to Wren. Confirmation of the Parish Council signatures for the account (should this be successful) are noted as the Chairman, Maurice Mathews, Vice Chairperson, Lynne Sharpe and Parish Councillor Madeline Barden.

e) Village Signs

The new signs were viewed and are now being manufactured.

f) Proposed Steam Railway

A reply was received to an enquiry regarding the above was received from Bassetlaw District Council – the District Planning Authority is not aware of any proposals for this to be operated on a disused railway line. It is quite likely to be the case that this project would not require planning permission.

5 To Report on:

- a) Accidents: 07.10.12 - RTA at Darlton, collision of 2 cars.
- b) Criminal Acts: 07.09.12 - theft at farm building Main Street, Darlton
15.09.12 - theft at outbuilding Main Street, Ragnall
04.10.12 - theft at a farm building Main Street, Fledborough
16.10.12 - theft from a shed, Main Street, Fledborough
19.10.12 - theft from a domestic garage, Main Street, Ragnall
24.10.12 - theft from work vehicle, Dunham on Trent
- theft from vehicle Bridge Inn car park
- attempted car theft at The Green, Dunham on Trent
09.10.12 – theft of oil from Cartwright Close.
- c) Highways A57: The verges between the Toll Bridge and the Bridge Inn car park need cutting back. The direction sign on A57/Low Street junction requires new posts. The gullies between the White Swan and the toll bridge need clearing.
- d) Highways Parish: The junction by the church on the lane at Fledborough is flooding and requires attention and a ditch on the side of the lane needs to be dug out. The “giveaway” sign at the top of Cocketts Hill is faulty. Gullies at Ragnall need clearing. Bramble weeds need to be cleared from the bus turning area and Low Street culvert in Dunham on Trent.
- e) Footpaths & Parish Lanes: The footpath West of Low Street junction needs resurfacing. The road kerbs at Green and Low Street, Dunham on Trent require maintenance work.

6 Public Discussion – No members of the public were present during the meeting.

7 Village Maintenance –A request was made for the salt bins to be filled. Cllr. Barden reported that several street lights were out in Ragnall.

8 Planning Matters

Location: Darlton Gliding Club, Tuxford Road, Darlton

Proposal: Removal of Condition 5 of Planning Application 13/05/2 to allow launching of gliders by aerotow.

No objections.

9 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council

Waste Core Strategy – Schedule of Proposed

Now's the time – posters and leaflets for Budget Consultation 2013.

Winter Service Assistance

Bassetlaw District Council

Changes to the Ambulance Service in Bassetlaw Survey.

Bassetlaw Rural Conference information

General

NHS Positive Consultation Document

Fire & Rescue Response

Newark & Sherwood District Council – Planning Policy document.

Post Office Update.

N.A.L.C

Clerks & Councils Direct

10 Financial Matters

a) Accounts for Payment

- Council approved payment of £198.00 to Clement Keys for external audit 2012. Cheque No. 300681
- Council approved payment of £212.92 to Holmes Groundcare Maintenance for grass cutting services during September & October 2012. Cheque 300682
- Council approved payment of £469.12 to M. Annable for September & October 2012. Clerks salary £442.56 + expenses £26.56. Cheque 300683
- Council approved payment of £392.85 to Mr. C. Gaisford for Lengthsman duties. Salary £356.85 + expenses £36.00. Cheque 300684
- Council approved payment of £50.00 to R. Mackenzie-Batterbury for administration costs. Cheque 300685.

b) Income

£5,142.50 BDC ½ yearly precept.

c) Balance of Accounts

	£
Current Account:	11,392.39
Deposit Account	<u>4,264.52</u>
	<u>15,656.91</u>

d) Transfer of Funds

None

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.10 pm.

Date and Time of Next Meeting - Tuesday 20 November 2012 at 7.00 pm

Signed _____ (Chairman)

Date 20.11.12

Dunham-on-Trent with Ragnall, Darlton & Fledborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 20 November 2012
at 7.00 pm in Dunham & District Millennium Centre

Present: Cllr. M. Mathews (Chair), Cllr P. Marsh, Cllr. L. Sharpe, Cllr. K. Watkinson, Cllr. M. Barden, Cllr. R. Grimes, (arrived 7.30 pm.).

In attendance: M Annable (Clerk)

Apologies for Absence: Cllr. R. Mackenzie-Batterbury, DCllr. K. Isard, DCllr. S. Isard.

2 Declarations of Interest: None

3 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 30 October 2012

The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4 Matters Arising from the above Minutes and any urgent business

a) J G Pears (Newark) Ltd.

Cllr. Barden reported that a weight limit of 7 and a half tons applies to the Ragnall and Fledborough route and therefore the traffic flow from JG Pears would need to be redirected from and to the A57 via Tuxford.

The Environment Agency will be informed about local residents attempting to report the foul smells from passing vehicles. The telephone number previously given to report the smells as they occur does not appear fully operational – enquiries will be made to Bassetlaw District Council.

b) Pilot Lengthsman Scheme

The Clerk and Colin Gaisford attended an evaluation event at Rufford Mill and gave a presentation of the work carried out to date. The event was well attended by other Parish Councils wishing to enrol onto the scheme. Officials from Notts County Council were impressed by the work carried out by Mr. Gaisford in Dunham and district parishes. The continuation of the scheme and the financial implications to the Parish Council precept will be considered in the next budget for 2013.

c) Road Closure A57

The Parish Council had received preliminary notice from Nottinghamshire County Council, Highways Agency that the A57, from the junction at Low Street, up to the bus turning area at the base of the Toll bridge, Dunham on Trent, will be completely resurfaced early January 2013. Road closure will apply during the evenings of at least 2 weekends. Further details will be placed in village notice boards.

d) Village Signs

The new signs are now ready and will be installed shortly, a further 4 signs have been approved for funding.

e) Concurrent Grant Petition

Signed petition forms were collected from Parish Councillors and will be passed onto District Councillor John Ogle. The petition is to retain the concurrent grant or to be given a fair alternative from Bassetlaw District Council.

f) Grit Bin for Darlton

The Clerk had requested a grit bin for the grassed area at Byron Close, Darlton. Nottinghamshire County Council, Highways Agency, had refused to supply a bin stating that the request had failed to meet the current criteria. (scoring only one out of a possible eleven points). The Clerk will request further information regarding the criteria from the Highways Agency.

g) New Build Property, Main Street, Dunham on Trent

The Clerk made further enquiries to Hannah Bigden, BDC, about the dilapidated state of the abandoned property on Main Street. Further investigations will be carried out by Bassetlaw District Council. The Clerk will update DCllr. K. Isard.

h) Wind Turbines

The Clerk had contacted the Planning Department to find out about any progress with regard to the screening options for the 2 wind turbines proposed for Darlton and Ragnall. No further correspondence had been received by Bassetlaw District Council.

i) Access for Coarse Fishing

Approximately 1600 metres of single bank fishing upstream of the Toll bridge on the River Trent is to be let by tender, closing date 03.12.12.

5 To Report on:

a) Accidents: Nothing to report.

b) Criminal Acts:

26.10.12 - dwelling burglary, Main Street, Ragnall.

03.11.12 - cultivation of cannabis, Main Street, Ragnall

08.11.12 - damage to land and fencing, Chequers Lane, Dunham on Trent

c) Highways A57: Road Closure early January 2013 as reported.

d) Highways Parish: The pedestrian area on Robert's Close situated close to a wooden post requires attention. It was reported that the road surface is crumbling at the top of Cocketts Hill, junction with Laneham Road.

e) Footpaths & Parish Lanes: The road leading around the rear of the Bridge Inn is being misused by traffic, the signage needs to be made clear to prevent traffic having to reverse onto the A57 at this location.

6 Public Discussion – No members of the public were present.

7 Village Maintenance –

8 Planning Matters - None received.

9 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council

None

Bassetlaw District Council

None

General

None

N.A.L.C

None

10 Financial Matters

a) Accounts for Payment

- Council approved payment of £67.15 to NCC Supplies for office requisites. Cheque No. 300686
- Council approved payment of £330.20 to M. Annable for November 2012. Clerks salary £221.28 + expenses £108.92. Cheque 300687
- Council approved payment of £90.16 to Mr. C. Gaisford for Litter Picking

November 2012. Cheque 300688

- Council approved payment of £79.95 to BT. Cheque 300689

b) Income

£4,353.98 - NCC Lengthsman funding for Pilot Scheme.

£13.00 - cash payment for allotment rent.

£1,340.00 - collectively the amount of local donations for play area funds.

Total Income received: £5,706.98

c) Balance of Accounts

	£
Current Account:	15,719.07
Deposit Account	<u>4,264.52</u>
	<u>19,983.59</u>

d) Transfer of Funds

None

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.10 pm.

Date and Time of Next Meeting - Tuesday 18 December 2012 at 7.00 pm

Signed  (Chairman)

Date 18.12.12

Dunham-on-Trent with Ragnall, Darlton & Fledborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 18 December 2012
at 7.00 pm in Dunham & District Millennium Centre

Present: Cllr. M. Mathews (Chair), DCllr. S. Isard, Cllr P. Marsh, Cllr. L. Sharpe,
Cllr. K. Watkinson, Cllr. M. Barden, Cllr. R. Grimes, Cllr. R. Mackenzie-Batterbury.

In attendance: M Annable. (Clerk)

Apologies for Absence: DCllr. K. Isard.

2 Declarations of Interest: None

3 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 20 November 2012

The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4 Matters Arising from the above Minutes and any urgent business

a) J G Pears (Newark) Ltd.

Bruce Norton of Nottinghamshire County Council and County Councillor John Hemsall have requested a letter from the Parish Council to show their support regarding the weight restriction on the Ragnall/Fledborough Road.

b) Pilot Lengthsman Scheme

The Co-ordinator of the scheme, Paula McManus had informed the Parish Clerk that a meeting will be held by Nottinghamshire County Council in January 2013 to determine the need for continuation of the Pilot Scheme. The financial impact on the precept will be considered at a budget meeting to be held by the Parish Council 18 January 2013.

c) Road Closures A57 & Low Street – Dunham on Trent

Bulletin notices were received from Nottinghamshire County Council, Highways Department, regarding the above road closures. All information, including alternative routes, date of closures etc., are on the notices which will be displayed in each village notice board.

d) Village Signs

The Clerk was asked to notify Cllr. Watkinson when the new signs will be installed so that she can notify the school children who wish to be involve in the final process.

e) Concurrent Grant Petition

District Councillor John Ogle had sent an e.mail thanking all who took part in the petition to retain the concurrent grant from Bassetlaw District Council.

f) Grit Bin for Darlton

The Clerk had requested a breakdown of the criteria from Nottinghamshire County Council, Highways Agency, in order to apply for a grit bin for the grassed area at Byron Close, Darlton. No response received to date. The Clerk will look for other prices and alternative suppliers and report back. Additional salt bins have now been requested. See Item 5 – Parish Lanes.

g) New Build Property, Main Street, Dunham on Trent

Nothing to report.

h) Interim Finance Meeting

The Chairman informed the meeting that a finance meeting will be held on 18 January 2013, the outcome of which will be reported at the Parish Council meeting at the end of January.

i) Rooks in the Churchyard

The Clerk was asked to make enquiries about the culling of rooks and report back.

5 To Report on:

- a) Accidents: Nothing to report.
- b) Criminal Acts: 25.11.12 – Upper Row, Dunham on Trent - assault.
- c) Highways A57: Road warning signs for 'Deer' were requested between Darlton close to the willow trees and also close to the sign for East Drayton on Laneham Road. Road Closure early January 2013 as reported.
It was reported that further 'run off pipes' are required close to the junction of Woodcoates Lane, Darlton to drain away excess rain water. The grassed road edges at the junction of Laneham Road/A57 at the crossroads need to be strengthened by kerb stones to prevent further erosion.
- d) Highways Parish: It was reported that the road surface is crumbling at the top and along the length of Cocketts Hill, including the junction with Laneham Road. Street lights on The Green and Cocketts Hill are reported as faulty.
- e) Footpaths & Parish Lanes: It was reported that the street sign for Upper Row at the junction with the A57 is positioned wrongly and obscures the view of oncoming traffic, this will be reported and repositioned. Blue salt bins have been requested at Byron Close, Darlton; the junction of Laneham Road/Cocketts Hill; the junction of Upper Row/A57; the junction of Church Lane/Fledborough Road.

6 Public Discussion – No members of the public were present.

7 Village Maintenance – The Grant application from WREN has been supported by 102 signatures collected from the school. Cllr. K. Watkinson requested a letter of support from DCllrs K. & S. Isard along with a donation for the Play Area Project.

8 Planning Matters - Planning Application 12/01516/CONR (Darlton Gliding Club)

A letter concerning the above and referring to changes within the original Planning Application was received and read out to the meeting. The amendment was to lift the restriction of aero tow launching. Officers from Bassetlaw District Council Planning Department had attended a demonstration and assessed that the noise factor was no more than that of passing traffic and therefore approved the amendment. An informal Planning meeting addressing the complaint was held in which the Planning Officers were given the final say – this was a delegated decision to allow the use of aero tow launching.

In retrospect it was felt that individual consultation would have been appropriate in this matter. Consequently, the complainant has since received a letter of apology from Darlton Gliding Club and also been visited by DCllr. K. Isard. It was reiterated that Parish and District Councillors are elected and entrusted to make such decisions on behalf of the public whilst in office.

9 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council

Local Improvement Scheme Event Invitation 07 March 2013

Bassetlaw District Council

None

General

E.mail enquiry re: firework display (rules and regulations)

10 **Financial Matters**

a) **Accounts for Payment**

- Council approved payment of £34.00 to The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Cheque No. 300690
- Council approved payment of £299.83 to M. Annable for December 2012. Clerks salary £221.28 + expenses £78.55. Cheque 300691
- Council approved payment of £550.80 to Mr C. Gaisford for Lengthsman duties November and December 2012. Cheque 300692
- Council approved payment of £63.00 to Paul Marsh for Parish Council donation for Pensioners Christmas Party. Cheque 300693
- Council approved payment of £90.16 to Mr. C. Gaisford for Litter Picking December 2012. Cheque 300694

b) **Income**

None

c) **Balance of Accounts**

	£
Current Account:	14,798.92
Deposit Account	<u>4,264.52</u>
	<u>19,063.44</u>

d) **Transfer of Funds**

None

The Chairman thanked everyone present for their services to the Parish Council during 2012 and wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. The meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

Date and Time of Next Meeting - Tuesday 29 January 2013 at 7.00 pm

Signed  (Chairman)

Date 29.01.13