

DUNHAM ON TRENT WITH RAGNALL, DARLTON AND FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

(Dunham & District Parish Council)

MINUTES OF THE DUNHAM & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at 7:20pm on 9 APRIL 2019

at the Dunham Millennium Hall, Low Street, Dunham on Trent

Present: Councillors: Madeline Barden (Chair), Carole Booth, Pam McKechnie, Di Moss, Ian Oakden, Sue Oakden, Lyn Sharpe, Nina Thiedeman and Kathryn Watkinson

Clerk: Caron Ballantyne

In Attendance: 1 member of the public (part)

Action by:

04/19/01 Public Forum

The speed limit signs have been erected for the reduction in speed limit over Dunham bridge. The signs have been erected in the wrong location and not located at Green Lane as per the Traffic Regulation Order. The road markings have not been altered to tie in with the reduced speed limit.

Post Meeting Note: The TRO was amended but the Correspondence for the Parish Council was sent to a previous Clerk and so the Parish Council was unaware of the amendment.

There is a sign on The Green "Children" warning sign where there used to be a play area could this be moved to Low Street near the village hall?

Clerk to ask NCC Highways.

Clerk

04/19/02 To receive reports from Police, County and District Councillors

No reports have been received.

04/19/03 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies received from Councillors Richard Horsted, resolved unanimously to accept the reason for absence.

Apologies from Lucy Campion PCSO noted.

04/19/04 To receive declarations of interest

Cllrs Sharpe, Moss and Theideman declared an interest in Agenda Item 11 as members of the Village Hall committee.

Cllrs Barden and Watkinson declared an interest in Agenda Item 6c as their mileage expenses for meetings/training are listed.

04/19/05 To receive and approved the minutes: of the Parish Council meeting of 12 March 2019, previously circulated to members. These were resolved unanimously to be a true record and signed by the Chair.

04/19/06 Finance

a) To formally note items of receipt for the month **Value**

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Coopers of Dunham	Allotment, Reptile Gardens Rent	£45.00

b) To formally approve expenditure since last month

Direct Debits and staff salary including PAYE and Pension, all approved unanimously

c) Expenditure to be approved		VAT	Total	
Ken Goddard	Audit - 2019/01	£75.00	£0.00	£75.00
Pygott & Crone	Maintenance of Assets - Pro-Forma	£525.00	£105.00	£630.00
Kathryn Watkinson	Chairs/Councillors Expenses -	£23.40	£0.00	£23.40
Madeline Barden	Chairs/Councillors Expenses -	£9.00	£0.00	£9.00
Caron Ballantyne	Administration - 103	£88.16	£0.83	£88.99
Colin Gaisford	Lengthsman Scheme - 43	£81.00	Nil	£81.00

All expenditure approved unanimously.

Direct Debit to be set up for ICO registration, resolved unanimously.

d) Bank Reconciliation for the year to date to be approved

Reconciliation for March was approved. To be circulated to all members. **Clerk**

04/19/07 Planning

a) Applications for Consideration

None		
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b) Decisions

None		
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04/19/08 To receive reports

a) Clerk & Councillors

Agenda Item

- BDC planning have been contacted with regard to planning **10/18/13d** permission/permitted development at Oak Tree Cottage, Ragnall – awaiting a response
- Environment Agency contacted about replacement **10/18/20** benches – additional information requested
NCC have been contacted about benches/bins – photos and plans to be sent, along with request for quote for the installation of the items – awaiting a response
- Action plan updated to include setting up Youth Council. **12/18/12**
Information being sought from other Parishes who have done this and advice from NALC has been requested.
Meeting with Cllr Barden to be set up when appropriate
- Allotment ownership in Horne Lane, still being investigated, **01/19/08**
Area Housing Manager to be contacted
- Payback advised that the Parish Council would like to enter **01/19/09** into a new SLA
- Issue with bus stop on Laneham Road, notified to NCC, **01/19/11a** with photos of the location
- February approved bank reconciliation, circulated to all **02/19/06d** Councillors
- Budget changes made **02/19/06e**
- Lengthsman contract has been issued, awaiting return **02/19/09**

- New Councillor Training to be arranged as soon as either **02/19/10b** elections held or notification of uncontested election received
- Royal British Legion Lamp Post Poppies, ordered, received **02/19/10c** and invoice paid
- Donation of silhouettes accepted, awaiting receipt of them **02/19/10d**
- Mayflower Pilgrims Country – organisers notified of **02/19/10e** interest, at no cost
- Rural Conference, Cllrs Bardens attendance notified **02/19/10g**

Other items

- VAT 126 (rebate) has been submitted to HMRC for 2017/18 and 2018/19 – HMRC have advised this has been received.

Reports to NCC

FS109246723	Cocketts Hill	Overgrowing trees in the highway
FS109247843	A57 Dunham	Gullies - cyclic cleaning
FS113206114	Cartwright Close	Flooding of garden in rain

Reports to BDC

None		
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M Barden

10/18/18 – Signing of the Statutory Declaration for the land know as Reptile Gardens, is being progressed with the Solicitor.

01/19/07c – draft response being prepared on the Bassetlaw Draft Local Plan Consultation.

02/19/10g – Rural Conference attended. The Trent Valley is a big drainage responsibility, much of this work is undertaken by the power companies. The closure of the two power stations is going to have a big impact on this area.

Cottam power station meeting – they are trying to get rid of their existing coal supply and using this in September. The site will be returned to a brown field and the decommissioning will take about 12 months – demolition will take about 4 years so vehicles will continue to the site for this period. Power will continue to be generated using gas until 2039. The fishing lake has been donated to Rampton Fishing Club. Future use is still to be determined. The nature area will be maintained for 10 years. Projects in the area can benefit from the “Helping Hands” scheme offered by the power generating company. The contact details for this were passed to the Village Hall. Requested that the Informer be used to inform residents about what is happening at the site.

Suggestion that the Parish Informer may be interested in having a photographic competition to be judged by the public – another village have done this.

Suggestion that a sunflower competition, might be something that village hall and the school might wish to pursue together.

I Oakden

11/18/11 – The preparation of proposals for the Darlton Play Area Equipment is being progressed and will be brought to a future meeting as appropriate.

M Barden and I Oakden

01/19/10 – discussion about park inspection reports has taken place. Information regarding the original installation of the swing at Darlton has been found and the supplier will be contacted to try and find a resolution to the problem. Colin Gaisford to be asked to undertake future inspections, suitable training to be sourced.

K Watkinson

Everything at the school is really good and the SATS results are very high. The school roll is increasing and is now near its maximum. NALC training on employment was very good and informative, information passed to the clerk for future use.

P McKechnie

The dyke on Low Street no longer serves a useful purpose as the associated culvert under the road is bricked up. NCC have apologised for the distress caused by their original letter with regard this matter.

L Sharpe

Footpath from Low Street to the A57 is in a poor condition and needs to be resurfaced.

N Thiedeman

Need to be aware of consultation on the Health Provision. Transport services to be improved in Worksop - no mention of rural communities. Volunteers week is taking place in the near future, is this something which could be used to recruit more volunteers. Nina to follow this up.

D Moss

Poppies that were put up last year were sponsored by local villagers and they are upset that the Parish Council are asking for sponsorship of the ones recently purchased. This issue has been raised with a number of councillors and now seems to have been resolved. Village Hall scheme meeting at Epperstone last week was useful and the Village Hall will be pursuing this.

C Booth

17th April police meeting
July meeting with Paddy Tipping

I Oakden

Benches that was purchased last year – There have been some difficulties in obtaining the necessary highway approval for the benches in the originally proposed locations. It was therefore discussed and agreed that these should now be located on the top of the flood bank as the EA appear to be happy to approve the locations. The Bench for Fledborough will now be near Caldecott. The land owner has given permission for this. Trent Vale Trail have been successful with their funding application and will start construction of the Collingham to Besthorpe phase. They are now starting to investigate the next phase of the project.

Lengthsman

Sign Posts and Gas Marker at Woodcoates Lane, Fledborough re-erected.

- a) To consider the Internal Audit and recommendations, resolved unanimously that the recommendation about risk be considered and brought forward to a future meeting. **Clerk**
- b) To consider the Certificate of Exemption for the financial year 2018/19, resolved unanimously that this be signed. **Clerk**
- c) To approve the Annual Governance Statement. Resolved unanimously that all responses were clearly evidenced as positive. **Clerk**
- d) To approve the Accounting Statement. Resolved unanimously that this was an accurate record of the financial position at 31 March 2019. **Clerk**
- 04/19/10 Parish Council Surgeries**
To review the decision to cancel weekly Parish Council surgeries, resolved unanimously that the Post Office would be approached to see if they would be amenable to Councillors being in attendance once a month. **ClIr Moss**
- 04/19/11 Section 137 Grants**
To consider grant application from the Village Hall. Resolved unanimously that this application would not be supported at this time. The Village Hall would try alternative sources of funding. Councillors on the Village Hall committee to inform the treasurer. **ClIrs Moss, Sharpe & Thiedeman**
- 04/19/12 Policy**
To consider Social Media Policy, resolved unanimously to adopt the policy. **Clerk**
- 04/19/13 Litter Pick**
To consider the purchase of litter pick equipment for regular use, resolved unanimously that individual councillors would purchase litter pickers for personal use.
- 04/19/14 Local Council Award Scheme**
To consider an application for Foundation Level. The Parish Council have in place all the necessary requirements for this award, except a Training Policy and a Risk Management Scheme. Resolved unanimously that these should be prepared and brought forward for adoption and an application submitted. **Clerk**
- 04/19/15 Correspondence**
- a) ROSPA - Notification of play area inspections in May for Dunham-on-Trent with Ragnall, Darlton & Fledborough Parish Council, resolved no changes to the inspection instructions are required. Resolved that Colin Gaisford be requested to undertake these and undertake the training. **Clerk**
- b) CPRE's 'Best Kept Village' Competition 2019, resolved that this would not be entered for any of the villages.
- c) Mayflower Legacy Oaks Project, resolved unanimously that this would be more successful if there is a local connection. The Informer to ask if there is anyone with a connection.
- d) Miles in May, resolved unanimously that this could be put into the Parish Informer.
- e) Consultation on Audit Code of Practice, resolved unanimously that the Clerk would draft a response to this. **Clerk**
- f) NCC Public Paths on Arable Land, resolved unanimously that this information be passed to Colin – any issues identified to be passed to the Clerk for NCC. **Clerk**

- g) Fly the Red Ensign for Merchant Navy Day, resolved unanimously that the cost of a flag be investigated. **Cllr Moss**

04/19/16 To consider resolving that, under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and members of the press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 Schedule 12A of the Act
No public or press in attendance – Item not required.

04/19/17 To consider additional Payment to the Clerk for additional hours worked
Resolved additional hours worked to date to be paid in April salary. 2 additional hours per week to be added to the contract and reviewed in 3 months. **Clerk**

Meeting closed at 21:30pm