

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL & FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6 January 1997 in the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.15 pm.

Present: Councillors R Spink (Chairman), D East (Vice-Chairman), M Barden, G Hayward, G Ashton, I Atkinson, R Bennett, N Bett, C Gaisford, M Matthews and 1 member of the public.

1. Apologies: were received and accepted from Cllr G Harris.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 2 December 1996 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Atkinson and Seconded by Cllr Gaisford.

3. Matters Arising:

a) Accidents: Several incidents along Cockitts Hill due to icy road conditions. Highways to be asked to include this road in their gritting programme. Alternative measures discussed included the provision of road signs "Road Liable To Icing" and Highways providing funding for gritting to be done locally.

b) Criminal Acts: None reported.

c) Highways - Parish:

(i) Old NCC Depot, Ferry Lane - Epton & Co, Solicitors for Dunham Bridge Co, to be contacted about previous ownership of the Depot.

(ii) Cockitts Hill - Cllr Gaisford reported that potholes had been marked out for repair.

(iii) Sign Lighting - The lighting on the Give Way and Weight Restriction signs on Chequers Lane needs checking. NCC to be advised.

(iv) Ragnall/Fledborough Road - Several areas along the road require attention. NCC to be notified.

(v) The Green - Potholes require attention. NCC to be notified.

d) Highways - A57:

(i) Several areas along the A57 have been aggravated by the severe weather conditions causing potholes and breaking up of tarmac. Highways to be contacted.

e) Footpaths/Parish Lanes:

(i) P3 Scheme - Cllr Gaisford read out a letter from Joanne Smyth. The proposed work for 1997/98 has been identified and is concentrated in the Fledborough area. Landowners are to be contacted and then materials ordered. Clerk to enquire about costs incurred for administering the scheme ie. processing invoices, meeting local landowners

etc. Leaflets to promote the scheme were discussed.

4. Village Maintenance:

- a) Church Walk - The deep drainage cover requires attention. NCC to be contacted.
- b) Environment Agency - Clerk to contact again re the provision of a new lifebuoy and housing.

5. Planning Matters:

None raised

6. Correspondence:

BDC Goodwin Trust - List of recipients for 1997. Chairman to attend to updating.

Environment Agency - Flooding survey. Areas to be reported - fields and paddocks to the East of the Church, no dwellings threatened.

BDC - Notes re recent planning seminar.

Trax FM - Commercial Radio in Bassetlaw.

7. Financial Matters:

a) Balance of Accounts -

Current Account - £3,152.80

Deposit Account - £6,907.85

- b) Clerk's Expenses - George Spencer to be contacted again for his final account of expenses. Salary cheque of £249 to be forwarded in respect of three months salary outstanding.

c) Cheques - were issued as follows:

NALC	-	£ 15.00	(seminar fee)
G Spencer	-	£ 249.00	(Clerk's salary)
Village Hall	-	£2,500.00	(Grant)

8. Urgent Business:

- a) Retford Fire Station - The fire station is in danger of losing a pump and full crew to Mansfield. Letter to be sent expressing the Parish Council's concern at this prospect.

9. Emergency Procedures:

The matter was discussed at length and the following suggestions made: the Village Hall be used as an Emergency Centre; the plans for the new hall incorporate a generator to provide heating, lighting and cooking facilities in emergencies.

10. Date of Next Meeting - Monday 3 February 1997.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.25 pm.

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL & FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Finance Meeting held on Monday 6 January 1997 in the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 8.30 pm.

Present: Councillors R Spink (Chairman), D East (Vice-Chairman), M Barden, G Hayward, G Ashton, I Atkinson, R Bennett, N Bett, C Gaisford and M Matthews.

1. Apologies: were received and accepted from Cllr G Harris.

2. Expenditure 1996/97:

Councillors considered expenditure so far and anticipated expenditure remaining.

3. Proposed Expenditure 1997/98:

Cllr Atkinson gave an outline to the Contribution system operated by the District Council and advised that the system was to come under review. Because of financial restraints the amount of Contribution available for the Parish has been reduced by a third from £2,196 in 1996/97 to £1,428 for 1997/98. Councillors therefore opted to maintain a standstill budget which was set as follows:

Salaries and Allowances	£1,021
Clerical Expenses	£ 150
Insurance	£ 125
Room Hire	£ 150
Audit Fee	£ 175
Subscriptions	£ 85
Play Area Maintenance	£ 250

£1,956

Village Grants:	
Churchyard Maintenance	£ 330
Village Hall	£ 500
Playgroup	£ 400
Senior Citizens	£ 400
Poppy Appeal	£ 25
Other Grants	£ 417

£4,028

RESOLVED Contribution of £1,428 be applied for. Precept be set at £2,600. Street Cleaning Grant of £249.90 be requested. Proposed by Cllr Atkinson, Seconded by Cllr Matthews. All in favour.

4. Other Financial Matters:

- a) Village Hall - It was suggested that funds available in the Deposit Account should be reallocated to support the community. It was proposed by Cllr Barden and Seconded by Cllr Matthews that a grant of £2,500 be awarded from these funds to show our support for the Village Hall project. All in favour.
- b) Street Cleaning - Tenders are to be sought for the litter picking and street tidying for 1997/98. Clerk to liase with Chairman as to wording.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.43 pm.

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL & FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 3 February 1997 in the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.15 pm.

Present: Councillors R Spink (Chairman), M Barden, G Hayward, G Ashton, R Bennett, N Bett, C Gaisford, G Harris and 2 members of the public.

1. Apologies: were received and accepted from Cllrs S Claughton, I Atkinson and D East. **AND M MATTHEWS**

The Chairman welcomed Jane Zdanowski from the NRCC. Mrs Zdanowski has been conducting a survey of voluntary help within the communities of Dunham-on-Trent and Edwinstowe. A report of her findings is soon to be produced and will be sent to the Parish Council as well as District Council, County Council, TEC and County Councillor John Hemsall. It was suggested that an open meeting could be held, possibly on Thursday 24 April, when all local organisations could be represented to inform parishioners of their presence and possibly recruit potential helpers. The Parish Council to lend support to the activity.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meetings held on 6 January 1997 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Barden and Seconded by Cllr Bennett.

3. Matters Arising:

- a) Accidents: Two incidents reported on Cockitts Hill.
- b) Criminal Acts: None reported.
- c) Highways - Parish:
 - (i) Old NCC Depot, Ferry Lane - Reply received from Epton & Co, Solicitors for Dunham Bridge Co, advising that, according to an old plan in their possession, Mr A V Hirst may have been the owner of the land. NALC to be contacted about the possibility of claiming the land for the village.
 - (ii) Village Hall - Reply received from NRCC re implications of Parish Council acting as Trustees. Letter and notes to be copied and sent to all Councillors.
 - (iii) NCC Routine Highway Inspection - The inspection for the Parish is to be carried out in February by Mr D Lightfoot. Cllr Gaisford to accompany Mr Lightfoot if possible. Items to be reported: Cockitts Hill - slabs sticking out, Fledborough/Ragnall Road still unsatisfactory from recent Anglian Water works, the "Turn Right" sign for Upper Row is down.

d) Highways - A57:

No matters raised.

e) Footpaths/Parish Lanes:

- (i) P3 Scheme - The Chairman advised that he had made the first contact with landowners re the work proposed for 1997/98. Cllr Gaisford reported on the areas overspent in 1996/97 which included extra stiles, safety fencing, petrol can, stimmer twine and blade. The kissing gate for the boundary of the Village Hall is now ready to erect.

4. Village Maintenance:

- (i) Rural Action Grant - Landscaping the layby on the A57 was suggested as a potential project. Cllr Gaisford to liaise with Cllr Barden re number of man hours needed etc.
- (ii) Streetlight - Lamp number 7 on Cockitts Hill is out.
- (iii) Chequers Lane Signage - The lighting on the "Give Way" and "Weight Restriction" signs is still faulty.
- (iv) Road Drainage A57 - The drainage is still not up to standard.
- (v) Bus Shelter - The guttering needs attention.
- (vi) Noticeboard - Cllr Hayward advised that this would be completed shortly.

5. Planning Matters:

- (i) Mr K Turner - Church House, The Green, D-O-T - Erect dwelling on land at Church House, The Green.

Comments - Dwelling would be incongruous to the vicinity. Inadequate drainage and too close to buried high voltage cables. Approve 0, Object 7, Present 8.

- (ii) A Usher - Cottage 2, The Green, D-O-T - Form windows in front and rear elevations, carry out internal works and demolish rear extension.

A Usher - Cottage 3, The Green, D-O-T - Erect two storey rear extension and carry out internal alterations.

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Comments - The Parish Council welcome the proposals which are seen as an improvement. Approve 8, Present 8.

6. Correspondence:

G Hayward - Letter advising of resignation from Village Hall committee. Representative to be nominated at next meeting.

BDC Goodwin Trust - Details of recent meeting.

NCC - Reply concerning Retford Fire Station. Decision re cutbacks still awaited.

Rampton Hospital - Meeting on 22 April at 7.00 pm.

BDC - Highways Briefing.

Trax FM - Commercial Radio in Bassetlaw - Launch Buffet 13 February at 12.30 pm.

CPRE - Traffic Taming Survey update.

NALC - Seminar on Audit Regulations 1 March 9.00 am - 4.00 pm. Fee £35. It was agreed that the Clerk could attend if wished.

NCC - Budget Consultation 1997/98.

7. Financial Matters:

a) Balance of Accounts -

Current Account - £2,897.46

Deposit Account - £4,407.85

b) Fledgelings Playgroup - Letter of thanks received for recent grant.

c) Lifebuoys - The Environment Agency, British Waterways and County Council are not prepared to fund the purchase of two lifebuoys. Clerk to seek prices and clarify implications for Parish Council regarding liability should the lifebuoys not be maintained in good order.

8. Urgent Business:

a) Red Lines for Traffic Calming - Collingham Parish Council to be asked for details about their scheme and how they sought approval.

b) Buses - Letter of complaint to be sent to NCC about the poor service from Road Car. This includes the breaking down of buses and missing out scheduled services.

c) Litter Picking - Local businesses to be approached for sponsorship to meet the shortfall of £250 (currently costing £500, £249.90 grant to be received from BDC). Letter of thanks to be sent to Mr & Mrs Eyre for their sponsorship this year. BDC to be asked to provide a litter bin for outside the old Cafe.

10. Date of Next Meeting - Monday 3 March 1997 at 7.15 pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.15 pm.

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL & FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 3 March 1997
in the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.15 pm.

Present: Councillors R Spink (Chairman), M Barden (arrived 8.05pm), G Hayward, G Ashton, R Bennett, N Bett, D East, C Gaisford and M Matthews,

1. Apologies: were received and accepted from Cllr I Atkinson.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 3 February 1997 were amended to include apologies for absence received from Cllr Matthews, they were then approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Bennett and Seconded by Cllr Hayward.

3. Matters Arising:

a) Accidents: None reported.

b) Criminal Acts: Money stolen from telephone box and two break-ins at the Hawthorns.

c) Highways - Parish:

(i) Retford Fire Station - Reply from NCC advising that no budget reductions are to be made for 1997/98.

(ii) Bus Service - Reply from NCC outlining the irregularities reported and advising that a thorough review of the service is to take place.

(iii) Streetlighting, Laneham Road - NCC to be contacted for confirmation of when we may expect to see the lighting replaced.

(iv) Carriageway Sweeping - BDC to be advised that the area from the junction at The Green to the Bridge was missed out during the recent sweeping. BDC also to be advised that the road sweepings from the Bus Stop are being swept from one side of the road to the other and are not being taken away. This is impeding the flow of water.

d) Highways - A57:

(i) Potholes - NCC to be reminded about areas requiring attention especially on the approach to the village.

(ii) Speed Restriction Signs - NCC to be reminded about faulty lighting on signs.

(iii) CPRE Traffic Taming Survey - Cllr Gaisford advised that a survey had been sent to CPRE. The Chairman thanked Cllr Gaisford for his work on this.

e) Footpaths/Parish Lanes:

- (i) P3 Scheme - Jo Smyth, NCC, to be contacted to clarify position re current work programme.

- f) Parish Council Representative for Village Hall Committee - Cllr Matthews volunteered to represent the Parish Council on the committee. Cllr Hayward was thanked for all her hard work and services over the past years.

4. Village Maintenance:

- (i) Village Hall - Cllr Bennett advised members that the application for the 21st Century Village Hall had successfully progressed to the final stage.
- (ii) Rural Action Grant - Cllr Gaisford reported that a costing for landscaping the layby on the A57 had been passed to Cllr Barden.
- (iii) Litter Bin - Cllr Hayward reported that a new litter bin was now in place at the River Bank.
- (iv) Lifebuoys - It was agreed that we should approach both the Dunham Bridge Co and the Sheffield Anglers Association for help towards the financing of three lifebuoys.
- (v) Fledborough Noticeboard - It was decided that the new noticeboard should be erected at the crossroads, near the post box.

5. Planning Matters:

- (i) T & D Gourley - Approval of Agricultural Buildings & Works - Hill Top Farm, D-O-T. No further comments made.
- (ii) Mr & Mrs I Thomas - White Swan Inn - Develop land into Caravan Site with Leisure Fishing Lake and Erect Toilet/Shower Block and Pump House. Notice of Appeal hearing on 2 April received. BDC to be notified that the Chairman wishes to make representations on behalf of the Parish Council at the hearing.

6. Correspondence:

S Claughton - Letter of resignation received from Cllr Claughton. BDC to be advised accordingly.

NRCC - Transport Training information.

BDC - Grants for Village Design Statements. Details handed to Cllr Bennett.

Countywise, Parish File, Mobile Libraries - Leaflets were made available to members.

7. Financial Matters:

a) Balance of Accounts -

Current Account - £2,906.00
Deposit Account - £4,407.85

- b) Summary of Accounts - It was agreed that a summary should be produced every quarter.
- c) Cheques - were issued as follows: A Martin £641.60 (Salary and Expenses), Audit Commission £131.60 (Audit Fee).

8. Urgent Business:

- a) Litter Picking - A letter from Mr and Mrs Eyre was read to members. Local businesses to be approached for sponsorship include: Gauntleys Country Store, Any Part, Post Office, Antique Shop, Dunham Garden Services, Wilmot House, Ragnall House, Gun Shop, Bridge Inn, White Swan and John Hill.
- b) Grass Cutting of Play Area - Cllr Gaisford kindly volunteered to attend to this.
- c) Annual Safety Inspection of Play Area - BDC to be contacted to arrange necessary inspection.
- d) Plastic Collection - Cllr Hayward advised that plastic could be left at Heathfield House for collection.

10. Date of Next Meeting - Monday 7 April 1997 at 7.15 pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.20pm.

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL & FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7 April 1997
in the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.15 pm.

Present: Councillors R Spink (Chairman), M Barden, G Hayward,
G Ashton, I Atkinson (arrived at 8.20 pm), R Bennett, N Bett,
C Gaisford, G Harris, M Matthews and 3 members of the public.

1. Apologies: were received and accepted from Cllr D East.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 3 March 1997 were
approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
Proposed by Cllr Matthews and Seconded by Cllr Hayward.

3. Matters Arising:

a) Accidents: Incident at crossroads involving two cars.
Details of previous accidents to be sent to Mr Hood, NCC
Highways.

b) Criminal Acts: Attempted break-in at Field House. Theft
of garden ornaments from St Oswalds. Incident involving
children in the churchyard.

c) Highways - Parish:

(i) Bus Shelter - Reply from NCC advising that the
problem has been addressed.

(ii) Carriageway Sweeping - Reply from BDC advising
that the area to Dunham Bridge has now been added
to the four monthly programme.

d) Highways - A57:

(i) Traffic Calming - Following the success of the
"red lines" at Collingham, NCC Highways to be
requested to consider implementing a similar
scheme at Dunham.

(ii) Traffic Count - A count undertaken over the Easter
holiday showed 12,398 vehicles used the Bridge on
Good Friday, an average day being 8,500. 85% of
vehicles were within the speed limit.

(iii) Sign for Upper Row - Sign is still in dike. NCC
to be reminded.

(iv) West Approach to Dunham - The road is
deteriorating in this area. Pothole outside Field
Farm requires attention. NCC to be advised.

e) Footpaths/Parish Lanes:

(i) P3 Scheme - Jo Smyth, NCC, still to contact
Fledborough landowners. Other work to continue as
proposed.

- f) NCC Depot - The reply from NALC Legal Dept had been circulated prior to the meeting. It was resolved that the Parish Council take possession of the land, being the site of the old NCC Depot, in the interests of the inhabitants. Proposed by Cllr Gaisford, seconded by Cllr Ashton, all in favour. A search of the Index Map at H M Land Registry is to be made.
- g) Lifebuoys - The Legal Dept of NALC advise that the Parish Council has "no statutory power or duty" to fund the provision of lifebuoys. The Council may be liable if a lifebuoy was defective, unless caused by vandalism, and regular checks of the equipment would be advisable. Costs for checking to be looked into. Dunham Bridge Co to be advised that Dunham receive no parking fees. Cllr Gaisford to remove old lifebuoy casing.
- h) Sponsorship for Litter Picking - Reply from Dunham Garden Services. Cllr Hayward advised that Mr & Mrs Eyres were willing to continue with the administration of the scheme. Cheque to be sent when grant monies received from BDC together with any sponsorship money received.
- i) Casual Vacancy - Confirmation awaited from BDC that the Parish Council may co-opt. Clerk to advertise vacancy accordingly.
- j) Demolition of Old Village Hall - Cllr Bennett advised that no final decision had yet been made as to whether the old building would need to be demolished before the new hall could be erected. It was suggested that the "Foundation Stone" should, if possible, be incorporated into the new building and that the septic tank should be filled and capped. The Playschool building has been offered as an alternative meeting place if required.

4. Village Maintenance:

- a) Trees - A quote for supplying and planting replacement trees damaged by Anglian Water contractors received. This is to be forwarded to Anglian Water.
- b) Grass Cutting - NCC to be contacted for confirmation of expiry date of current contract.

5. Planning Matters:

a) Planning Decisions:

- (i) Usher - Cottage 2, The Green, D-O-T - Granted.
- (ii) Usher - Cottage 3, The Green, D-O-T - Refused.
- (iii) Turner - Erect dwelling at Church House, The Green - Refused.
- (iv) Planning Appeal, White Swan - The Chairman gave a report of the recent appeal hearing. Parish Council to be advised of decision in due course.

6. Correspondence:

NRCC - Rural Services Surveys.

J Hatfield - Re Litter Picking sponsorship.

BDC - Highways Briefing.

D-O-T Village Hall Comm - Thank you for recent grant.

7. Financial Matters:

a) Balance of Accounts -

Current Account - £2,142.16

Deposit Account - £4,407.85

b) Reptile Gardens - Cheque for £30 rent received. Tenants to be advised of an increase to £40 - agreed at Annual Parish meeting in 1996.

c) Cheques - were issued as follows: D-O-T Village Hall Comm £87.50 (Room Hire), Cash £180 (Goodwin Trust Easter Offerings).

8. Urgent Business:

No matters raised.

9. Date of Next Meetings:

Parish Council AGM - Tuesday 6 May 1997 at 7.15 pm

Dunham Annual Parish - Monday 19 May 1997 at 7 pm.

Ragnall Annual Parish - Monday 19 May 1997 at 7 pm.

Fledborough Annual Parish - Tuesday 13 May 1997 at 7 pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.33 pm.

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL & FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 6 May 1997 in the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.15 pm.

Present: Councillors R Spink (Chairman), D East, M Barden, G Hayward, G Ashton, N Bett and C Gaisford.

1. Apologies: were received and accepted from Cllrs I Atkinson, R Bennett and M Matthews.

2. Election of Chairman, Vice-Chairman & Representatives:

Chairman - R Spink
Proposed by M Barden.
Seconded by C Gaisford.

Vice-Chairman - D East
Proposed by C Gaisford.
Seconded by G Ashton.

Cllr Spink duly signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took his place as Chairman for the period 1997/98.

Representatives:

<u>NALC Northern Area</u>	-	Cllr D East.
<u>Tree Warden</u>	-	Cllr C Gaisford.
<u>School Governor</u>	-	Cllr G Harris (to be confirmed).
<u>Playgroup</u>	-	Cllr C Gaisford
<u>Village Hall Committee</u>	-	Cllrs G Ashton and M Matthews.
<u>Footpaths Officer</u>	-	Cllr C Gaisford.
<u>Conservation Sub-Committee</u>	-	Cllrs M Barden, R Bennett, D East, C Gaisford, G Hayward and M Matthews.

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 7 April 1997 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Hayward and Seconded by Cllr Bett.

4. Matters Arising:

a) Accidents:

- (i) Incident outside PMC Services involving 3 cars and a lorry.
- (ii) Incident in Dunham when lorry shed a cable drum from its load.

b) Criminal Acts:

- (i) Attempted break-in at St Oswalds Park.
- (ii) Break-in at Hill Top Farm.
- (iii) Break-in at Hill's chemical store.
- (iv) Fire on old football field.
- (v) Fence around Play Area damaged. Housing Association to be contacted.
- (v) Seat at The Green damaged. Cllr Gaisford to ask John Whate to repair. Insurance claim form to be requested from Cornhill.

c) Highways - Parish:

- (i) Ragnall - Sunken area opposite Roberts Close requires attention following works by Anglian Water.

d) Highways - A57:

- (i) West Approach to Dunham - The road is deteriorating badly in this area. NCC to be advised.

- (ii) By-Pass - NCC to be reminded about our wish for a by-pass. Copy to Fiona Jones MP.

e) Footpaths/Parish Lanes:

- (i) P3 Scheme - Cllr Gaisford had contacted Jo Smyth, NCC, about the work carried out by NCC contractors in the Fledborough area. This work had been proposed for the Parish Council to undertake under the P3 scheme. NCC to be contacted for clarification about our contractual agreement. Cllr Gaisford reported that the strimmer, on loan from NCC, had been collected for NCC training sessions during May.

- f) Casual Vacancy - No applications received to date.

5. Village Maintenance:

- a) Road Signs - The lighting on the "30 mph" sign on the A57 and the "Give Way" sign at the junction of Cockitt's Hill still require attention. Highways to be notified.
- b) Lay-bys - BDC to be contacted about the rubbish and tyres dumped in the lay-bys on Laneham Road and between Laneham and Stokeham.

6. Planning Matters:

a) Plans

T H & D I Gourley - Proposal for Agricultural building at Hill Top Farm, Dunham-on-Trent. Approved 7. Object 0.

- b) Planning Appeal, White Swan - A report of the recent appeal decision to be requested from BDC.

6. Correspondence:

Environment Agency - Requesting that dog owners using the Dunham Ponds area keep their dogs on a lead.

IMC Geophysics - Detailing proposed seismic survey.

East Midlands Electricity - Details of lighting scheme. Cllr Gaisford to pass on details to PCC.

NALC - Questionnaire re Countywise.

BDC - Highways Briefing.

Various publications were made available including Countywise, Parish File, Notts Policing Plan, NALC yearbook and Rampton Hospital Forum notes.

7. Financial Matters:

a) Balance of Accounts -

Current Account - £2,102.02

Deposit Account - £4,407.85

b) Cheques - were issued as follows:

NALC - £67.76 (subscription and publications),
Cornhill Insurance - £124.95.

8. Urgent Business:

i) Sponsorship for Litter Picking - Written confirmation to be obtained that Mr & Mrs Eyre are willing to continue to administer the scheme. No further monies received.

ii) Coaches - Complaints received that coaches are parking at the bus stop near The Green and making visibility difficult at the junction.

9. Date of Next Meeting - Monday 2 June 1997 at 7.15 pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.30 pm.

**DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL AND FLEDBOROUGH
PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 19th May
1997 in the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent, commencing at 7.00 p.m.**

Present:

Councillors R Spink (Chairman), G Hayward, G Ashton, R Bennett,
D East, C Gaisford and 1 member of the public.

Highways Matters:

Kerb on A57.

Dunham village signs should read Dunham-on-Trent.

Laneham Road – 40 mph speed restriction signs required.

Laneham Road – Bus standing required for school children.

Safety barrier at ditch in Laneham Road lay-by.

Grasscutting required at junctions.

Upper Row signpost needs re-erecting.

A57 drains need cleaning.

Hedges on Hawthorns A57 side need cutting.

Resurfacing of Church Walk still outstanding.

White lines on the Green required.

Playground sign still required.

Substations on Horne Lane, The Green and School overgrown.

St Oswalds replacement not planted.

Litter Busters required to tidy from Lucky Break to crossroads.

**DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL &
FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 2 June 1997 in the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.15 pm.

Present: Councillors R Spink (Chairman), G Hayward, G Ashton, I Atkinson, R Bennett, N Bett, C Gaisford, G Harris, M Matthews and 1 member of the public.

1. Apologies: were received and accepted from Cllrs M Barden and D East.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 6 May 1997 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Bett and Seconded by Cllr Ashton.

3. Matters Arising:

- a) Accidents: None reported.

- b) Criminal Acts: Attempted break-in at Manor Farm. Theft of logs from Bridge Inn.

c) Highways - Parish:

- (i) Anglian Water - Recent claim for compensation for damaged trees accepted.

d) Highways - A57:

- (i) Drain near Antiques Shop - Tarmac is breaking up around the new drain making the road dangerous, especially to cyclists.

- (ii) Grasscutting - Verges need cutting.

e) Footpaths/Parish Lanes:

Cllr Gaisford declared an interest.

- (i) P3 Scheme - Cllr Gaisford gave an update on recent work completed and also advised of problems encountered by Mrs Hall at Fledborough where walkers are not following the correct line of the footpath. It was noted that the annual maintenance had been omitted from the 1997/98 "work proposed form". It was proposed by Cllr Matthews and seconded by Cllr Bennett that the invoice for annual maintenance submitted by Dunham Garden Services be paid. All in favour. NCC to be advised accordingly.

Details of a proposed walk by Tuxford School along the parishes' footpaths to be confirmed by the Chairman, following which a general letter to landowners is to be sent where line of footpaths need reinstating.

f) Casual Vacancy - No replies. To be kept on agenda.

g) Parish Meetings - Reports were given as follows:

Dunham - Cllr Spink - see Minutes dated 19 May 1997.

Fledborough - Cllr Atkinson:

7 people in attendance. Thanks were given for the new noticeboard. Request to be made for "Horse Riding" signs. "No Through Road" and Double Bend" signs still missing. Rubbish behind noticeboard needs clearing.

Ragnall - Cllr Harris:

Ragnall village sign needs re-aligning. Pavement through the village is breaking up.

4. Village Maintenance:

No matters raised.

5. Planning Matters:

a) R Martin - Erection of Garage and Workshop at The Old School, Darlton Road, D-O-T. Approved 7. Object 2.

b) M Cottrell - Erect House and Double Garage at Upper Row, D-O-T. Approved 9. Object 0.

c) G Gaging - Single Storey Rear Extension for Utility and W/C at Orchard Cottage, The Green, D-O-T. Approved 9. Object 0.

d) W H Bett & Sons - Erect Grain Storage and Drying Building at Roberts Farm, Ragnall. Approved 8. Object 0.
(Cllr Bett declared an interest).

6. Correspondence:

NRCC - AGM 25 September 1997.

BDC - Highways Briefing.

NALC - Meeting 10 June 1997.

BDC - Millenium Greens presentation 27 June 1997.

BDC - Dog Ban Areas update.

Rampton Hospital - Journal.

7. Financial Matters:

a) Balance of Accounts -

Current Account - £4,259.34

Deposit Account - £4,407.85

b) Cheques - were issued as follows: Jim Butler £234.00 (Noticeboard), Dunham Garden Services 112.00 (P3 Work), NRCC £10.00 (Subscription).

8. Urgent Business:

- a) Dog Breeder's Licence - Members were informed about a recent newspaper report concerning the application for a licence by Mr Harrison at Field House Farm. BDC Environmental Health Dept to be contacted for further information.
- b) C J International Haulage - Members were advised about a pending application by the company (retrospective). Plans should be received for the next meeting.

9. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 7 July 1997 at 7.15 pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.40 pm.

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL & FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7 July 1997 in the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.15 pm.

Present: Councillors R Spink (Chairman), M Barden, G Hayward, I Atkinson, R Bennett, N Bett, D East, C Gaisford, M Matthews and Carola Jones NRCC Village Care Officer.

1. Apologies: were received and accepted from Cllrs Ashton and Harris.
2. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 2 June 1997 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Bennett and Seconded by Cllr Atkinson.
3. The Chairman welcomed Carola Jones who outlined her work as Village Care Officer at NRCC. It is proposed that a survey be undertaken to determine the needs of carers and provide information about benefits, respite care etc. It was suggested that the Senior Citizens group may be interested to invite Mrs Jones to one of their meetings. Clerk to write to the Secretary. Date for "Carers coffee evening" to be arranged at the next meeting.
4. Matters Arising:
 - a) Accidents: Lamp post knocked over at Ragnall.
 - b) Criminal Acts: Chain saws stolen from PMC Services. Diesel taken from West End Farm. (White transit van seen in the area - false registration plates!)
 - c) Highways - Parish:
 - (i) Potholes - Previously reported potholes at Fledborough and Ragnall still require attention.
 - (ii) Streetlights - Lamps 28 and 29 in Rangall reported as being on during the day.
 - (iii) Reflective Posts, Rangall - Further request to be made for additional posts and replacements for those knocked over during grasscutting.
 - (iv) Grasscutting - Councillors felt that the grasscutting this season had not been carried out satisfactorily. Areas had been missed out and signs knocked over. Stone slab broken on Cockitt's Hill. Ditch on corner of Low Road not cut.
 - (v) Upper Row - It was reported that gravel was collecting along the road near Field House making the road dangerous for cyclists.

d) Highways - A57:

- (i) Highways Agency - Letter from David Griffiths suggesting that he and a representative from NCC attend a meeting to discuss recent queries. Clerk to invite to the September meeting.
- (ii) Litter Busters - To be requested to clear the footway along A57. Clarification to be obtained regards the responsibility of emptying bins.

e) Footpaths/Parish Lanes:

Cllr Gaisford declared an interest.

- (i) P3 Scheme - Letter from Jo Smyth, NCC, read out. It was agreed that the Chairman and contractor arrange a meet with Mrs Smyth to discuss recent problems. Chairman to report back to the Council.
 - (ii) Tuxford Walk - It was reported that the walk had been a success and walkers had kept to the planned route. Roger May from the school had been in contact with Cllr Gaisford and will report any problems encountered along the footpaths.
- f) Casual Vacancy - No replies. To be kept on agenda.

5. Village Maintenance:

- (i) River Trent - Environment Agency to be contacted about bank slippage upstream of the Bridge and the car parking area which still requires stoning.
- (ii) Litter Sponsorship - Letter received from Mr & Mrs Eyre confirming that they are willing to continue with the administration of the litter picking scheme. Cheque received from Mr & Mrs East.
- (iii) Drains - NCC to be asked to jet out the drains on The Green.

6. Planning Matters:

a) Plans:

- i) Hyde - Erect detached garage on land adjacent to No. 2 The Green, D-O-T. **Approved 7. Abstentions 2. Present 9. Comments** - Visually unobtrusive. Access may be difficult.
- ii) Thompson - Retain works carried out to form two storey extension Bethcarr, Woodcoates Lane, Darlton. **Comments** - Whilst outside the Parish we consider this development, without permission, in open countryside to be against local planning policy.
- iii) Thompson - Retain alterations to form self-contained accommodation Bethcarr, Woodcoates Lane, Darlton. **Comments** - as above.

- iv) C J International - Continue use of land to Haulage Depot Bathcarr, Woodcoates Lane, Darlton. Approved 1. Object 8. Present 9. Comments - The Parish Council feel that this site is totally unsuitable for a Haulage Depot. The road is not suitable for lorries and access is unsafe at both ends of the road. Road safety will be affected in the area and the environment damaged when two lorries meet on the road.

b) Planning Decisions:

- i) Martin - Erect garage and workshop building The Old School, Laneham Road, D-O-T. Permission Granted.

7. Correspondence:

NALC - Working party report re subscriptions. Letter congratulating the work to be sent.
NCC - Details of Community Safety Challenge.
NRCC - Rural Voice.
NCC - Highways Briefing.
NCC - Road accidents report.
NALC - Countywise.

8. Financial Matters:

a) Balance of Accounts -

Current Account - £3,925.15
Deposit Account - £4,407.85

- b) Cheques - were issued as follows: Nottm Land Registry £5.00 (Search Fee), Mr & Mrs Eyre £280.00 (Litter Sponsorship).

- c) Audit - Cllr East proposed and Cllr Bennett seconded that the Balance Sheet and Supporting Notes relating to the accounts for 1996/97 be signed as required for the Audit.

9. Urgent Business:

Village Hall - Deed of Gift documents relating to the Village Hall were signed by councillors. "Sod Cutting" ceremony to take place on 9 August.

10. Date of Next Meeting: 1 September 1997 at 7.15 pm. Playgroup building to be booked for next 3 meetings.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.35pm.

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL & FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 1 September 1997 in the Playgroup Building, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.15pm.

Present: Councillors R Spink (Chairman), M Barden, G Ashton, I Atkinson, R Bennett, D East, C Gaisford, G Harris and 1 member of the public.

1. Apologies: were received and accepted from Cllrs G Hayward, N Bett and M Matthews.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 7 July 1997 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Bennett and Seconded by Cllr Barden.

3. Matters Arising:

- a) Accidents: 3 incidents reported, 2 along the A57 and 1 on the bridge.

- b) Criminal Acts: None reported.

- c) Highways - Parish:

- i) Old NCC Depot - The search of the Index Map at HM Land Registry has indicated that there is no registered owner. The next procedure is for the Council to enter and fence the land. Resolution - That the Parish Council enters the land, erects a fence around the area and tidies the site where possible. Proposed by Cllr Ashton, Seconded by Cllr Bennett. All in favour. Report to be placed in local newspaper when the fencing has been completed.

- ii) 40mph signs Laneham Road - Letter received from NCC advising that Laneham Road does not meet the criteria for a 40mph speed limit. Letter to be sent to County Cllr J Hemsall asking to support our claim that we need this speed restriction past the school.

- d) Highways - A57:

The Chairman welcomed three representatives from the NCC Highways Agency; David Griffiths (Route Manager), Kevin Jones (Network Manager Trent Bridge House) and Patrick Sewell (Trunk Roads). Councillors were given details about the recent transition of management and proposals for further changes in the future. Mr Griffiths advised that despite the feasibility study undertaken in 1995, which confirmed that claims for a bypass were justified, there was no scheme in the current programme for this. Mr Griffiths undertook to provide the Parish Council with findings from the study. Other items to be considered by the Agency were as follows: possibility of extending the 30 mph speed restriction away from the White Swan corner together with an extension of the braking

surfacing, provision of red tarmac with speed limits on road and inclusion of "keep in lane" arrows near crossroads.

The Parish Council were concerned that the recent and proposed changes would once again allow the problems of Dunham-on-Trent to be forgotten. Clerk to write to NCC confirming what action we are expecting from the Highways Agency (copy to Fiona Jones MP).

e) Footpaths/Parish Lanes:

Cllr Gaisford declared an interest.

- i) P3 Scheme - Update received from Jo Smyth, NCC. Clarification about the materials left by DLC and a specification for the replacement bridge to be obtained. Cllr Gaisford reported that a ditchboard had been reinstated on Fledborough 8 footpath (at no extra cost) and confirmed that the footpath from the Village Hall to Chequers Lane would soon be cut. Cllr Gaisford to investigate a report that sheep netting is obstructing a stile along Dunham footpath 3.
- ii) Footpath Walk - As part of the P3 publicity Cllr Gaisford had kindly prepared a circular walk from Dunham to Laneham. A walk of this route was arranged for Sunday 21 September and walkers should meet at the White Swan car park at 10 am. Clerk to place notices on village noticeboards.
- f) Casual Vacancy - No replies. Further notices to be displayed. Item to be kept on agenda.
- g) Date for "Carer's Evening" - To be arranged when new hall is up and running.

4. Village Maintenance:

- a) Laneham Layby - It was reported that more tyres had been dumped in the layby. BDC to be advised. It was suggested that the hedge could be professionally laid to help visibility. NCC to be contacted.
- b) Ragnall Lamp - The leaning lamp has still not been attended to. NCC to be contacted.
- c) Fledborough Potholes - Recently repaired potholes are dropping and require further attention. NCC to be advised.
- d) Footways - The grass and hedge along the A57 footway requires attention.

5. Planning Matters:

a) Plans:

- i) Usher - Erect single storey extension at No 3 The Green, D-O-T. Approved 8. Present 8.

ii) Cottrell - Erect detached house and double garage, construct access at Land on Upper Row, D-O-T. Approved 8. Present 8.

iii) Lowe - Install LPG tank at Land off Upper Row, D-O-T. Approved 8. Present 8.

b) Planning Decisions:

i) Hyde - Erect detached garage - Land adjacent No 2 The Green, D-O-T. Granted.

ii) Cottrell - Erect house and double garage and construct access - Land at Upper Row, D-O-T. Refused.

6. Correspondence:

NCC - A57 Darlton to Dunham major maintenance. Copy of letter to be sent to local businesses.

NCC - Notice of temporary 10 tonne restriction on Bridge No. 1509C Dunham Flood Arch.

NCC - Snow Warden Scheme.

NCC - Highways Briefing.

NCC - Highways Open Day 30 September.

BDC - Launch of Local Agenda 21 Strategy 7 October.

Village Lock-Up Association - Survey.

D-O-T Senior Citizens - Re talk by Carola Jones, NRCC.

Anglian Water - Cheque for £75 for maintenance of replacement trees.

BDC - Update re replacement trees at St Oswalds Park.

7. Financial Matters:

a) Balance of Accounts -
Current Account - £5,162.81
Deposit Account - £4,407.85

b) Audit - The necessity for an internal audit was discussed. Councillors decided against introducing this at the present time.

c) Village Hall Funding - Letter received from the Management Committee giving an update on the proposed new hall together with a request for further funding to meet a shortfall. Cllrs Ashton and Atkinson declared non-pecuniary interests and took no part in the voting. Resolution - To make a donation of £2,700 made up as follows: £1,000 from lighting reserves, £700 from sports reserves and £1,000 from contingency funds. Proposed by Cllr Harris, seconded by Cllr East.

d) Cheques - were issued as follows: J & RM Whate £19.39 (Seat repairs - letter of thanks to be sent), Dunham PCC £330 (Churchyard Maintenance) and Dunham Village Hall Committee £2,700 (Donation).

8. Urgent Business: None raised.

9. Date of Next Meeting: 6 October 1997 at 7.15 pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 10.10pm.

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL & FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6 October 1997 in the Playgroup Building, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.15pm.

Present: Councillors R Spink (Chairman), M Barden, G Hayward, G Ashton, I Atkinson, R Bennett, N Bett, D East, C Gaisford, G Harris, M Matthews and 1 member of the public.

1. Apologies: None received.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 1 September 1997 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Harris and Seconded by Cllr East.

3. Matters Arising:

a) Accidents: Incident near the White Swan involving two lorries, Redland Aggregates and Ernest Thorpe. Claim to be made for replacement concrete post and litter bin.

Cllrs Barden and Atkinson arrived at 7.20 pm.

b) Criminal Acts: None reported. Cllr East advised that he had been appointed as Head Co-ordinator for the Neighbourhood Watch scheme.

c) Highways - Parish:

i) White Lines - NCC to be reminded about previous requests for white lines at The Green and Cockitt's Hill.

ii) Routine Highway Inspection - The inspection for Dunham-on-Trent will be carried out during October. Clerk to arrange for NCC Engineer D Lightfoot to contact Cllr Gaisford about works in the area.

iii) Ragnall Crossroads - NCC to be advised about pothole adjacent to streetlight.

iv) Marsh Lane - "Dumping" sign needs re-erecting.

v) Increase in Lorry Traffic - The increasing problems of heavy traffic travelling through Ragnall was discussed at length. It was resolved that the Parish Council should work towards an agreed route for traffic consistent with that used by the Power Station. Convoys are to be avoided and a reduction in speed sought.

vi) Overgrown Hedge, Ragnall - Complaints received about the overgrown hedge near the converted barns at Ragnall making it difficult for pedestrians to use the pavement. NCC to be notified.

- vii) Upper Row - Discussion about the weight restriction along Upper Row following letter received from a resident. Clerk to reply advising that the restriction is in place subject to the right of access by owners of property in the area.

d) Highways - A57:

- i) Public meeting - Letter from Fiona Jones MP asking that a public meeting be arranged to assess public feeling. Dates suggested 7 or 14 November. Primary School as a venue. Clerk to contact Fiona Jones to confirm.
- ii) Maintenance Programme - Clarification to be requested following conflicting information received about the area to be included in the proposed works programme.

e) Footpaths/Parish Lanes:

Cllr Gaisford declared an interest.

- i) P3 Scheme - Cllr Gaisford advised that he was still awaiting clarification regards the bridge specifications.
- ii) Overgrown Hedge - Cllr Bett reported that the hedge owned by the Environment Agency near Dunham Ponds is in need of cutting.

- f) Casual Vacancy - No replies. Item to be kept on agenda.

4. Village Maintenance:

- a) War Memorial - Letter received from R Lidster Ltd of Worksop advising that in their opinion the replacement value of the War Memorial, for insurance purposes is between £14,700 to £16,000. Cllr Atkinson proposed and Cllr Matthews seconded that All Risks insurance be taken out for £15,000 for the War Memorial and £3,000 for the fencing. Cornhill Insurance to be contacted.
- b) Ragnall Pavements - NCC to be reminded about the unsatisfactory state of the pavements.
- c) Streetlights - Lamps at the crossroads and near Chestnut Cottage in Ragnall reported as not working.

5. Planning Matters:

a) Plans:

- i) Usher - Erect single storey extension at No 3 The Green, D-O-T (ammended plans). Approved 11. Present 11.

6. Correspondence:

NCC - Vehicle fire safety course 9 October.
NCC - Details of "Grass Roots" initiative.
NCC - Highways Briefing.
BDC - List of Goodwin Trust recipients for updating.
BDC - Update re replacement trees at St Oswalds Park.
NRCC - Volunteers meetings 9 and 14 October.
NRCC - Annual Report.
NRCC - Volunteer survey report.
NRCC - Rural Voice.
Rampton Hospital - Community Forum 14 October.
Rampton Hospital - Journal and Accounts.
NALC - AGM 15 October.
NALC - Countywise.
Parish Liason - Meeting 14 February 1998.
Notts Heritage - Newsletter.

7. Financial Matters:

a) Balance of Accounts:

Current Account - £2,129.84
Deposit Account - £4,407.85

8. Urgent Business:

Village Hall - Letters of congratulations to be sent to Mrs D Bennett and Mrs M Gallery after receiving the Neil Virgo award. Letter of thanks to be sent to the Sir Stuart Goodwin Trust for their grant of £500.

9. Date of Next Meeting: 3 November 1997 at 7.15 pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.40 pm.

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL & FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 3 November 1997 in the Playgroup Building, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.15pm.

Present: Councillors R Spink (Chairman), G Hayward, G Ashton, R Bennett, N Bett, C Gaisford and M Matthews.

1. Apologies: were received and accepted from Cllrs M Barden, I Atkinson and D East.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 6 October 1997 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Hayward and Seconded by Cllr Matthews.

3. Matters Arising:

- a) Accidents: None reported.

- b) Criminal Acts: Lawnmower stolen from a property at Ragnall. Incidents reported involving children vandalising noticeboards and being a nuisance around the village - police notified.

- c) Highways - Parish:

- i) Laneham Road Layby - Reply from NCC stating that, in their opinion, the hedge does not require layering. Request to be made that the hedge at least be cut back significantly to aid visibility.

- ii) 40 mph Limit Laneham Road - Lengthy reply received from NCC stating why they cannot introduce a limit near the school. Clerk to reiterate Councillors concern to NCC. Item to be kept on agenda.

- d) Highways - A57:

- i) Public meeting - Confirmation awaited from Fiona Jones about date of meeting. Suggested dates had been 14 or 21 November. Meeting to be adjourned to New Year if necessary.

- ii) Maintenance Programme - Clarification received about the proposed maintenance programme. The works will consist of resurfacing the carriageway and some partial depth reconstruction from the junction with the A6075 to the west of Darlton through to Dunham Bridge. The section through Dunham from The White Swan to Dunham Bridge will consist of removing the top 50mm of the carriageway and replacing with new wearing course.

e) Footpaths/Parish Lanes:

Cllr Gaisford declared an interest.

i) P3 Scheme - Cllr Gaisford reported that the strimmer had still not been returned from the training course.

f) Casual Vacancy - No replies. Notice to be posted at Cartwright Close. Item to be kept on agenda.

4. Village Maintenance:

a) Feasibility Study - Several ideas were discussed including grasscutting around the villages. Cllr Matthews agreed to prepare a study together with costings to enable the matter to be looked at in more detail.

b) Lighting - Streetlight number 7 on Cockitts Hill and the Give Way sign at the junction of the A57 are not working.

c) Sewage Pumper - BDC to be asked for their confirmation that the pumper is capable of handling the amount of sewage produced by the village. This follows a report in the Retford Times that problems had been experienced recently with Laneham being unable to deal with the amount of sewage released from the plant at Dunham.

5. Planning Matters:

a) Planning Decisions:

i) Usher - Erect single storey extension at Cottage 3, The Green, D-O-T. Permission Granted

ii) Cottrell - Erect detached house and double garage and construct access at Upper Row, D-O-T. Permission Granted.

iii) C J International - Continue use of land as haulage depot and retain works carried out and erect two storey extension at Bathcarr, Woodcoates Lane, Darlton. Permission Refused.

b) Supplementary Guidance - Draft planning guidance relating to householder development received. No comments to be submitted.

6. Correspondence:

NCC - Highways Briefings.

BDC - Rural (Crime Reduction) Working Party meeting 26 November.

NALC - Annual Report.

NALC - Countywise.

NCC - Small Area Travel Guides. Lucky Break and Post Office suggested as possible distributors.

BCVS - Sports Lottery Information Session 10 December.

7. Financial Matters:

- a) Balance of Accounts -
Current Account - £4,278.44
Deposit Account - £4,407.85
- b) Cheques - were issued as follows: Cornhill Insurance £88.11 (War Memorial), D-O-T Village Hall Comm £25.38 (Room Hire), Poppy Appeal £25 (Donation), D-O-T Senior Citizens £400 (Donation) and Playgroup £19.50 (Room Hire).

8. Urgent Business:

- a) School Bus - Concern was expressed that school children were being dropped off on Main Street rather than The Green making it necessary for them to cross the road. Clerk to contact Marshalls. It was also noted that buses sometimes stop at St Oswald's Park for passengers to alight thus causing confusion to other drivers who may think the bus is intending to turn left.

9. Date of Next Meeting: 1 December 1997 at 7.15 pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.15 pm.

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL & FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 1 December 1997 at the Playgroup Building, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.15 pm.

Present: Councillors R Spink, D East, G Ashton, I Atkinson, M Barden (arrived 7.22 pm), N Bett, C Gaisford, G Harris and G Hayward.

1. **Apologies:** were received and accepted from Cllr M Matthews.

One minutes silence was held in remembrance of Councillor R Bennett.

2. **Minutes of the Last Meeting:**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 3 November 1997 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed by Cllr Ashton seconded by Cllr Bett.

3. **Matters Arising:**

- a) **Accidents:** Dunham Bridge hit by a barge. Incident at the crossroads involving two cars. Incident involving a car opposite P M C Services.
- b) **Criminal Acts:** None reported. Cllr Atkinson advised that at a recent Rural Crime Reduction meeting information regarding bogus callers in the area had been received.
- c) **Highways - Parish:** No matters arising.
- d) **Highways - A57:**
 - i) **Public Meeting** - There had been a good attendance by members of the public. Fiona Jones MP and County Cllr John Hemsall were also in attendance. Clerk to ask Fiona Jones to get clarification from the Highways Authority about the proposed works programme. It was agreed that a sub-committee be formed to include three invited members of the public together with six members of the Parish Council. Mrs S Cloughton, Mrs L Rollings and Mr F Jagger to be asked to represent the community. Sub-committee to make recommendations to the Parish Council. A 15 minutes meeting to be held before each Council meeting from 6.45 - 7.00 pm to discuss issues relating to the A57. This will be followed by the usual 15 minutes open meeting to discuss other issues.

ii) **Petition** - This is to be finalised and delivered to Cllr Hempsall by 6 December.

iii) **Drains** - Highways Agency to be contacted for clarification about procedure for clearing our drains.

e) **Footpaths and Parish Lanes:**

Cllr Gaisford declared an interest.

i) **P3** - Cllr Gaisford agreed to move the recently replaced post at the gateway to the Church footpath a few inches to allow easier access through the gate.

f) **Casual Vacancy:**

It was proposed by Cllr Spink and seconded by Cllr Atkinson that David Cowie 7 Cartwright Close, Dunham-on-Trent be co-opted onto the Parish Council. Clerk to check procedure with BDC re future vacancies.

4. **Village Maintenance:**

a) **Trees and Hedgerows** - Cllr Gaisford reported on a recent Tree Warden seminar featuring the new Hedgerows Regulations.

b) **Lime Tree** - Letter received from Mr & Mrs Gouldthorpe re recent work to their Lime tree at The Hawthorns. Letter to be acknowledged.

c) **Highways** - It was reported that there are now no reflective posts remaining along the Ragnall to Fledborough Road and areas need reinstating in Ragnall following recent pipeworks. A manhole cover, situated on the grass verge at Roberts Close, needs attention. NCC to be contacted.

d) **BT Wires** - Following the relocation of electricity cables underground at Ragnall it was agreed that the Parish Council should approach British Telecom to ask if the same could be done with their remaining wires. Letter to be sent via Cllr Atkinson.

- e) **Hawthorns Signage** - Following the difficulties experienced by an emergency vehicle to locate the Hawthorns, it was suggested that the owner be asked if a more prominent sign could be erected.

The Chairman welcomed Mr John Marshall, Marshall's Coaches, to the meeting. Concern had been expressed at the previous meeting about secondary school children alighting the school bus on Main Street rather than The Green. Mr Marshall explained the difficulties experienced with cars parking on The Green creating insufficient room for the bus to pass safely. These problems had been discussed with NCC and a letter received from them was read out which confirmed the new arrangements. It was resolved that in the short-term the school bus should allow children to get off at the Village Hall and then again as the bus returned from Laughterton. In the long-term a termination at Dunham-on-Trent, thus allowing the use of the bus turnaround facility, would be preferable. NCC to be advised of the decision.

Cllr Atkinson left the meeting at 8.50 pm.

5. **Planning Matters:**

a) **Plans:**

Brumpton - Erect house and garage and construct access Plot 3, land adjacent to OS field 4462, D-O-T.
Approved 8, Object 0, Present 8.

6. **Correspondence:**

BDC - Draft Registers of Electors 1998/99.

Dunham/Ragnall/Fledborough PCC - Re grants for upkeep of respective Churchyards. This to be discussed at Budget meeting to be held in January. Also request for provision of wheely-bins.
BDC to be contacted.

Cllr G Hayward - Letter of resignation following re-location. To take affect from January/February 1998.

Chairman of Governors - Cllr Harris reported that he had recently been elected as Chairman to the Governors at Dunham-on-Trent Primary School.

7. **Financial Matters:**

a) **Balance of Accounts:**

Current account - £3,734.75

Deposit account - £4,407.85

b) **Cheques** - were issued as follows:

Dunham Garden Services £606.25 (P3 work).

8. **Urgent Business:**

Noticeboards - Maintenance of noticeboards to be put on Agenda for next meeting.

Finance Meeting - To follow the January meeting at 8.30 pm.

9. **Date of Next Meeting:** 5 January 1998 at 7.15 pm. This will be followed by the Finance meeting which will be closed to the public.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.55 pm.