

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

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 24 June 2014
at 7.00 pm in Dunham & District Millennium Centre

- 1 Present:** Cllr. M. Mathews (Chairman), DCllr. S. Isard, Cllr. L. Sharpe, Cllr. R. Grimes, Cllr. M. Barden, Cllr P. Marsh, Cllr. K. Watkinson.
In attendance: M. Annable (Clerk).
Apologies: DCllr. K. Isard.

Before the meeting could progress, the Chairman addressed the issue of co-opting Madeline Barden (Ragnall Parish) and Paul Marsh (Dunham Parish). He nominated both and Lynn Sharpe seconded both back onto the Parish Council. The Clerk was asked to inform the Electoral Office at Bassetlaw District Council.

- 2 Declarations of Interest:** None

3 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 27 May 2014

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.: CCllr. M. Barden reported that there has been a further Planning Application for a dozen additional units at double the size of the existing buildings. This is also likely to be contested against.

b) Darlton Play Area: The Clerk reported that she, Louise Rust (Darlton resident) & Cresswell Groundwork met on Thursday 29 May to contemplate plans for the play area project at Darlton. The Clerk had signed and returned the contract for the Tenancy Agreement to lease the land at Darlton for 10 years to Mr Strawson. Methods and means of applying for grants are underway but are likely to take considerable time and effort. In the meantime, the play area inspection which was delayed because of anticipated restoration will need to be carried out. The Clerk had contacted Rospa and was told that the cost will be in excess of £200, this was discussed by the Parish Council and it was agreed that the inspection must go ahead. A further donation had been received for £50 taking the total of funding to £2,040. Cllr. Grimes reported that a questionnaire had been posted to all residents at Darlton to be used as a survey to determine what local people would like to have in the play area. Cllr. Watkinson asked the Clerk to prepare a letter of request for funding for Dunham Bridge Co. for funding.

c) Lengthsman Scheme: The contract to continue the scheme had been received and signed by the Chairman. The scheme is now in operation with 50% payment from Nottinghamshire County Council. A letter was read out by Cllr. Barden from a resident at Ragnall, praising the work done by the Lengthsman, Colin Gaisford, and how the villages do benefit by this service, especially in that the drains are cleaned, reducing surface water on the roads. A copy of the letter will be forwarded to Mr. Gaisford and also to the Lengthsman administrators at Nottinghamshire County Council.

d) HGV's on rural roads: A request, via e.mail from Nottinghamshire County Council to determine locations (road names) and haulage companies which generate heavy usage of traffic was discussed. Identified companies included Hargreaves, Fernwood, Brocklehurst, Tomlinsons and Highfield. This information will be reported back to NCC by the Clerk.

e) **Laneham Road School Speed Restriction:** The school has been identified in the 2014 -2015 programme as being on a distributor road and as an improved measure of road safety, it is anticipated that the existing school zone signs will be replaced with signs that indicate 20 mph when lights flash. The Parish Council and the school will be consulted prior to the work being issued for installation.

5 To Report on:

- a) **Accidents:** 15.06.14 – A collision occurred at the junction with Laneham Road & Cocketts Hill.
- b) **Criminal Acts:** 28.05.14 – Ash Close, Dunham on Trent – Public disorder
13.06.14 – Darlton – theft of fencing unit from a field
- c) **Highways A57:** Nothing to report.
- d) **Highways Parish:** A complaint was received concerning residents who park their cars on the pavement along Laneham Road. This causes an obstruction for pedestrians with children or disabilities to walk safely along the pavement. The Clerk will write to the occupants of the two properties named and request them to park their vehicles appropriately.

e) **Footpaths & Parish Lanes:** Nothing to report

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

7 Planning Matters –

Proposal: Replace external windows, insert 2 roof lights & remove internal wall.

Location: West End Farm, Main Street, Dunham on Trent
The Parish Council did not object to this proposal.

8 Correspondence

Nottinghamshire County Council

Lengthsman Contract

General

Environment Agency – Flood Warden Workshop

Old Drill Hall Worksop – donation request

Bassetlaw Citizen Advice – donation request

9 Financial Matters

a) Accounts for Payment

- Council approved payment of £90.16 to C. Gaisford for Litter Picking for June 2014. Cheque 300796
- Council approved payment of £377.61 to M. Annable for June 2014. Clerks salary £247.50 + expenses £130.61. Cheque 300797
- Council approved payment of £45.00 to Sarah Judge for Internal Audit.(June2014) 300798
- Council approved payment of £271.05 to C. Gaisford for Lengthsman duties. (June 2014). Cheque 300799

b) Income
None

c) Balance of Accounts

	£
Current Account:	14,447.38
Deposit Account:	<u>4,319.63</u>
	18,767.01

d) Transfer of funds – None

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.40 pm.

Date and Time of Next Meeting – Tuesday 05 August 2014 at 7.00 pm

Signed ----- (Chairman)

Date -----