

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL, DARLTON AND FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 8th January 2001 at the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillors D East (Chairman), G Ashton, M Barden, N Bett, S Cobb, C Gaisford, P Lyon, M Matthews, L Sharpe, County Cllr J Hemsall and 3 members of the public.

1. **Apologies:** were received and accepted from Cllrs I Atkinson, D Copley, R Gourley, G Saville, B Grimes and District Cllr D Yates.
2. **Minutes of the Last Meeting:** The minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 4th December 2000 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Bett and Seconded by Cllr Cobb.
3. **Matters Arising:**
 - a) **Accidents:** Incident involving a lorry at Drayton Road end.
 - b) **Criminal Acts:** Attempted break-ins at the White Swan and Bridge Inn. Rubbish dumped near the bus turning area at D-O-T.
 - c) **Highways - Parish:** Reply from NCC. Items reported at last meeting to be investigated and work carried out as necessary. Reply from A Birt re the proposed footway along Low Street advising that a set amount of money has been allocated to the scheme and this may not be sufficient to cover the whole length of the footway. Cllr Hemsall agreed to take up the matter with Mr Birt.
 - d) **Footpaths and Parish Lanes:** Cllr Gaisford declared an interest. Letter from J Woods, NCC Rights of Way, advising that Footpaths Fledborough 8 and Ragnall 2 have been closed due to the delay in installing the new bridges. Survey questionnaires and notes for all four parishes, together with a definitive plan for annotating landowners and annual maintenance details, have also been received. These were passed to Cllr Gaisford for his attention and return to the Clerk, in due course. It was noted that a Notice of Tender for the P3 work needs to be prepared for the year beginning 1st April 2001. Cllr Gaisford advised that the bridleway on Ragnall 3 had not been reinstated to 3 metres as required.
 - e) **Public Meeting:** The meeting took place on Friday 5th January at the Village Hall commencing at 7.00 p.m. Representatives F Jones MP, David Abbott (Highways Agency), Stuart Robertson (NCC Transport) and Paul Sharpe (Traffic consultant OPUS/Amey) were in attendance together with 34 members of the public. It was agreed that the meeting had not been sufficiently well advertised. Points were put forward for discussion: A57 sub-committee to meet the Monday before each Parish Council meeting. Committee to consist of Cllrs East, Atkinson, Lyon, S Cloughton and F Jagger. Paul Sharpe should be contacted about the provision of flashing lights/mini roundabout/gateway system for Darlton as mentioned during the public meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7.40 p.m. for public discussion to take place. The meeting was reconvened at 8.10 p.m.

- f) **Highways - A57:** It was agreed that meetings of the A57 sub-committee should go ahead as suggested. The Chairman agreed to contact S Cloughton and F Jagger. Chairman to contact Paul Sharpe for a site meeting to discuss his ideas for improvements.
- g) **Casual Vacancy:** No applications received to date.

4. Village Maintenance:

- (i) War Memorial - It was proposed that Sharpe & Hoggard be asked to inscribe the date of death alongside T J Cooper's name, to avoid confusion.
- (ii) Reflective Posts at Ragnall and Darlton - Several posts still need re-erecting/replacing. NCC to be advised again.
- (iii) Streetlights - Ragnall lamp 34 needs a replacement inspection cover, lamp 39 moves about significantly in the wind.
- (iv) Litter - Bins at Ragnall have gone missing. BDC to be asked for two replacements. Litter dumped near the "Kingshaugh" lay-by. Fly tipping reported at Darlton Gaps.

5. Planning Matters:

Plans:

- (i) Gourley - Convert redundant farm building to dwelling at Hill Top Farm. **Support Proposal.**
- (ii) Gourley - Erect dwelling, garage and construct new access. **Support Proposal. The Parish Council welcomes residential development within the community.**

6. Correspondence:

NCC - Highways Briefings, Local Transport Plan for Rural Schemes (passed to Chairman for attention by the A57 sub-committee).

BDC - Letter of congratulations on Darlton's Best Kept Village certificate of merit. Liaison Group minutes and details of forthcoming meeting. Bulky Collection dates for 2001.

Notts Police Authority - Request for meeting dates and approval for member to attend a future meeting. Draft Policing Plan.

NALC - Countywide, Conference details. Local Council Review. List of Northern area meetings.

NRCC - Rural Voice

7. Financial Matters:

- a) Cheques were issued as follows:

Neighbourhood Watch	(300065) £150.00	(s.137 Grant)
Village Hall	(300066) £ 80.00	(Room Hire)
J Smith & Sons	(300067) £118.68	(Darlton Clock Maint.)
- b) Darlton Play Area - A grant of £2,500 has been offered by CAF. The Letter of Agreement was duly signed by the Clerk and Chairman.
- c) Fledglings Playgroup - Letter of thanks received for the recent grant.
- d) Dunham Millennium Players - The group is trying to raise money for a second-hand piano-keyboard. After some discussion it was proposed by Cllr Barden and seconded by Cllr Matthews that the Parish Council would grant a donation of 10% towards the cost of the equipment. It was suggested that the group contact Notts RCC for advice on other funding sources.

8. Urgent Business: No matters raised.

9. Date of next Meeting: Monday 5th March 2001 at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting was closed at 9.05 p.m.

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL, DARLTON AND FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council Budget Meeting held on Monday 8th January 2001
at the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 9.10 p.m.**

Present: Councillors D East (Chairman), G Ashton, M Barden, N Bett, S Cobb,
C Gaisford, P Lyon, M Matthews and L Sharpe.

1. **Apologies:** were received and accepted from Cllrs I Atkinson, D Copley, R Gourley, B Grimes, G Saville, District Cllr D Yates and County Cllr J Hemsall.
2. **Income and Expenditure 2000/2001:** Councillors considered the income and expenditure figures for the current year.
3. **Contribution and Precept 2001/2002:** The budget was set as follows:

Clerk's Salary	1,466
Clerical Expenses	300
Insurance	310
Room Hire	200
Audit Fees	250
Subscriptions	100
Play Area Inspections	60
	2,686
Village Grants:	
Churchyards	600
(Dunham £210, Ragnall £140, Darlton £140, Fledborough £110)	
Village Hall	660
Playgroup	525
Senior Citizens	525
Poppy Appeal	45
Other Grants	242
Darlton Clock	120
Darlton Grasscutting	250
	5,653

RESOLVED: Contribution of £1,953 is to be applied for.
Precept to be set at £3,700.
Street Cleaning Grant of £398.75 is to be requested.

Proposed by Cllr Matthews and Seconded by Cllr Barden. All in favour.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.40 p.m.

Signed
Chairman

Dated

MINUTES OF THE A57 ACTION GROUP
HELD AT 7.00 P.M. ON THURSDAY, 18 JANUARY, 2001

Present: Mr. I. Atkinson, Mr. M. Walters, Mrs. S. Claughton, Mr. F. Jagger
Mrs. H. Dixon, Mr. C. Dixon - Observer Mr. A. G. Claughton

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR, SECRETARY AND TREASURER

It was unanimously agreed the following:-

Mr. M. Walters	Chair
Mrs. S. Claughton	Secretary
Mr. F. Jagger	Treasurer

2. REMIT

A draft remit was submitted for consideration after discussion it was agreed to amend the remit.

Resolved: A re draft be submitted to the next meeting. Action SC
A copy sent to D.East Chair of P.Council.

3. STRATEGY PLAN

The Chair explained the need for a Strategy Plan to assist the Group in moving forward and the need to reduce apathy by keeping villagers informed within the village. The group will also need to keep up to date with current criteria and make sure they do all in their power to liaise with the appropriate Authorities when developing and fitting the criteria suggested by the County Council to seek the earliest possible resolution for a by-pass.

Further discussion took place and the with the following outcome was:-

Resolved:	Influence the MP	Action Gr
	Influence a reasoned argument	Action Gr
	Influence Regional Government	Action IA
	Influence of the Road as a strategic route West to East	
	Research the volume of traffic	Action Gr
	Look at case studies	Action Gr
	Contact should be made with the following:	ActionMW
	Terry Butler, Dept. Environment	
	Leeds University - re: further research	Action SC
	Fiona Jones, MP, for contact with Ministers	Action IA
	Seek legal advice from Transport 2000	Action SC
	Keep a visual record of accidents	Action SC
	Hold regular meetings with the Authorities	Action Gr
	Keep media informed	Action Gr
		Action

Lobby County Council and ascertain what and when the de-trunking was discussed and what criteria was used.

Action IA

The need for a Petition at a later date.

To keep in mind the Human Rights issues.

To look into the Health aspect.

To monitor the immisions tests being carried out in the village.

Action SC

To invite Chris Shaw/Alan Batty to a future meeting, Environment.

Action SC

4. SAFETY MEASURES (MEETING 05.01.01)

Discussion took place about various measures ie. Signs for bad bends in the road, condition of the road, safety barriers etc, but it was :

Resolved: That this item should be brought up at the meeting on 1 February, 2001.

5. DE-TRUNKING

General discussion took place and a question was asked - "Who raised the issue of De-trunking at NCC and who decided and at what meeting". Also why have no objections been raised so far.

Resolved: That a copy of these minutes also with a letter be sent to Fiona Jones and John Hemsall.

Action SC

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The following points were raised:

The proposed Gainsborough Bridge - Lincs. CC. - next meeting

Post and telephone expenses - resolved to approach Parish Council.

Hire of Village Hall - resolved to approach Parish Council.

That a copy of the Minutes of this Meeting be sent to the Parish Council and raised as an Agenda item for discussion with members of this Group.

Write to Bridge Co. informing them of the existence of this Group and ask for their support.

Action CD

Contact the Power Stations.

ActionMW

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place at 7.00 p.m. on Thursday, 1 February, 2001 at Little Styrrup, Main Street, Dunham on Trent.

Meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.

Signed(Chair)

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

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 5th February 2001 at the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillors D East (Chairman), G Ashton, I Atkinson, M Barden, N Bett, S Cobb, C Gaisford, R Gourley, B Grimes, P Lyon, M Matthews, G Saville, L Sharpe, and 3 members of the public.

1. **Apologies:** were received and accepted from Cllr D Copley and County Cllr J Hemsall.
2. **Minutes of the Last Meeting:** The minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 8th January 2001 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. **Proposed** by Cllr Matthews and **Seconded** by Cllr Ashton.
3. **Matters Arising:**
 - a) **Accidents:** (i) Car in dike near Darlton Gaps. (ii) Wine lorry involved in a police chase (iii) Incident at Cockett's Hill/C2 junction. (iv) Car off the road near PMC Services. (v) Incident at The Green/A57 junction involving an articulated lorry and pick-up truck.
 - b) **Criminal Acts:** (i) Car stolen from The Green. (ii) Car stolen from Anyparts.
 - c) **Highways - Parish:** Reply from NCC re-proposed repairs to streetlights in Ragnall.
 - d) **Highways - A57:** The Chairman had attended a site meeting with Paul Sharpe, Traffic Consultant OPLS/Amey. Improvement schemes including interactive signing and a mini-roundabout near The Green junction were discussed. The road surfacing and lighting along the A57 were also discussed. The A57 Action Group has been reformed. A meeting of the group was held on 18 January. A copy of the minutes and the group's remit were circulated. It was noted that the group is an independent group, supported by the Parish Council. Provision has been made in the budget to pay for the hire of the Village Hall for meetings when required.

Cllr M Barden arrived at 7.25 p.m.

- e) **Footpaths and Parish Lanes:** Cllr Gaisford declared an interest. Notices for the tender of the P3 work for the forthcoming year had been prepared. These will be posted on the parish noticeboards.
- f) **Casual Vacancy:** No applications received to date.

Cllrs P Lyon, L Sharpe and M Matthews left the meeting at 7.30 p.m.

- g) **Neighbourhood Watch** – The Clerk had spoken with Terry Reynolds who had advised that he would be willing to attend a future meeting to discuss the inclusion of Darlton, Ragnall and Fledborough in the Neighbourhood Watch scheme. Clerk to arrange a date in April/May for Mr Reynolds to attend the Annual Parish meetings.

As no members of the public were present the meeting was not closed for public discussion.

4. Village Maintenance:

- (i) Darlington Play Area - Letter received from G D Strawson Farming confirming that they have no objections to the plans for the play area.
- (ii) A57 - Dunham Drain west of bridge still blocked. Road drain near churchyard is sinking and road surface breaking up. Road surface at Bridge Inn breaking up. Kerb edge opposite The Green junction still not repaired. Standing water near Jubilee House and Dunham House. Road surface at Dunham House and at junction with Low Street/White Swan breaking up. Post and tube railings at junction damaged. Pavement between White Swan and Dunham House still not repaired. 30 mph sign need attention (previously reported). Darlington Standing water on north side of carriageway beyond Ragnall crossroads. Streetlights 5, 6 and 12 still need attention. Litterbusters to be asked to tidy Lay-by Ragnall Crossroads - Dikes need reinstating following recent works in this area
- (iii) Dunham - Neighbourhood Watch signs on Lancham Road have been knocked over by OPUS contractors. Road near Millhouse, Lancham Road not reinstated satisfactorily following Anglian Water works. Grass verge on the Green needs kerbing. Conifer tree fallen into sub-station on The Green still needs attention. Farm vehicle signs for Low Street/Chequers Lane still not erected. Slabs on Cockett's Hill need attention. Dog fouling in Churchyard reported.
- (iv) Ragnall - Several potholes through the village need attention.
- (v) Darlington - Standing water on Woodcoates Lane. Fly tipping reported last meeting still to be dealt with. Grass verge churned up opposite Byron Close.
- (vi) Old NCC Depot - NCC to be closed up about removing the asbestos from the building. Matter to be reported to Building Control at BDC.

5. Planning Matters:

Decisions:

- (i) Gourley - Convert redundant farm building to dwelling at Hill Top Farm.
Application Refused.
- (ii) Gourley - Erect dwelling, garage and construct new access.
Application Refused.

Cllr I Atkinson left the meeting at 8.10 p.m.

6. Correspondence:

NCC - Highways Briefings, Small Rural Primary Schools Policy Framework document.

BDC - Electoral Registers for 2001/2. Local Government Commission Recommendations following the Electoral Review of Bassettlaw.

NALC - Forthcoming training seminars.

BCVS - Newsletter.

7. Financial Matters:

a) Balance of Accounts:

Current Account - £3,957.37 Deposit Account - £5,347.48

b) Cheques were issued as follows:

Dunham Millennium Centre (300068) - £16.00 (Room Hire)

- b) **Darlington Parish Clock** – Invoice received from John Smith & Sons for £411.25 for call out repairs issued by R Sheldon on 20 November. The Parish Council had not been consulted on the works and the money has not been budgeted for. Clerk to contact Smiths and ask for a full break down of the invoice and advise them that only orders direct from the Parish Council should be accepted. PCC to be asked to consult with Parish Council before issuing any orders for works on our behalf. Royal Horological Society at Upton to be asked for a list of local clock repairers.

8. **Urgent Business**: No matters raised.

9. **Date of next Meeting**: Monday 5th March 2001 at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting was closed at 8.35 p.m.

Signed Dated
Chairman

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

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Present: Councillors D East (Chairman), G Ashton, M Barden, R Gourley, B Grimes,
P Lyon, M Matthews, L Sharpe and District Cllr D Yates.

1. **Apologies:** were received and accepted from Cllrs I Atkinson, N Bett, S Cobb, D Copley, C Gaisford, G Saville and County Cllr J Hemsall.
2. **Minutes of the Last Meeting:** The minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 5th February 2001 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. **Proposed** by Cllr Ashton and **Seconded** by Cllr Matthews.
3. **Matters Arising:**
 - a) **Accidents:** Two incidents on Laneham Road. Abandoned vehicle near Harrison's Farm.
 - b) **Criminal Acts:** Intruder reported at the Bridge Inn.
 - c) **Highways A57:** The Chairman advised members that a site meeting had been held with Ian Richardson, OPUS Highway Inspector, to discuss matters raised about the A57.
 - d) **Highways - Parish:** Members were advised that the footway along Low Street had now been completed and the entrance to the Village Hall had also been reinstated. Cllr Hemsall was thanked for his support in this project.
 - e) **Footpaths and Parish Lanes:** One tender has been received for the P3 maintenance work, from J Buttrick, Pelham House, Weston. Mr Buttrick already carries out work for P3 villages and has the necessary public liability insurance. It was proposed by Cllr Matthews and seconded by Cllr Ashton that Mr Buttrick be given the contract for the forthcoming year. Clerk to advise Mr Buttrick accordingly.
 - f) **Casual Vacancy:** No applications received to date.

As no members of the public were present the meeting was not adjourned for public discussion.

Cllr Barden arrived at 7.20 p.m.

4. **Village Maintenance:**

- (i) **Rubbish at Darlton Gaps** - Litterbusters to be contacted about the remaining rubbish along the verge.
- (ii) **Byron Close, Darlton** - A feasibility scheme is to be carried out shortly for the parking provision at Byron Close.
- (iii) **Laneham Road Lay-by** - Cllr Gaisford has requested that the hedge is laid/plashed and the trees attended to. This matter has been reported previously on several occasions and NCC have replied advising that they do not agree that the hedge needs attention. Some members agreed with this and it was decided that the situation should be monitored closely before requesting further action.
- (iv) **Speed Restriction, Laneham Road** - After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that a representative from NCC should be invited to a meeting to outline the reasoning for not allowing a reduction in the speed limit on Laneham Road. It was requested that the Clerk contact Orkol, Greenways, Tomlinsons and Highfields to ask if their respective lorry drivers could

exercise greater care when using Laneham Road and in particular past the school.

- (v) **Litter Picking** – Members were advised that due to work commitments Tony Claughton wishes to resign as litter picker. In his absence Cllr Gaisford had sent a message that he would be prepared to undertake the work. The Chairman agreed to liaise with both parties.
- (vi) **Old NCC Depot, Ferry Lane** – Cllr Yates advised that the issue relating to the asbestos roof had been reported to BDC Environmental Health. Clerk to pursue matter with NCC.

5. **Planning Matters:** None raised.

6. **Correspondence:**

G Tindall – Letter re safety issues on Laneham Road, faded Give Way sign and pothole on Cartwright Close. Clerk to advise NCC accordingly.

NCC – Highways Briefings.

DETR – Local Government Act 2000 – The New Ethical Framework: Commencement on Consultation on Standards Committees.

DETR – Consultation Paper – A Model Code of Conduct for Members.

Various leaflets and publications were tabled.

7. **Financial Matters:**

a) **Balance of Accounts**

Current Account - £3,887.07 Deposit Account - £5,347.48

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

B.T.	(300069)	£162.33	(Village Hall Phone)
Dunham Village Hall	(300070)	£ 30.00	(Room Hire)
Tony Claughton	(300071)	£111.00	(Litter Picking)
A Martin	(300072)	£895.00	(Salary 715, P3 77.52, Exp 102.48)
Dunham Village Hall	(300073)	£193.53	(Balance of Grant)

8. **Urgent Business:**

- (i) **Detrunking Notice** – Formal Notice of Intention to Detrunk the A57 (Markham Moor to Lincoln) has been received. Clerk to respond that the Parish Council is not confident that NCC will make adequate funding available for the A57.
- (ii) **Annual Parish Meetings** – Terry Reynolds (Neighbourhood Watch) is available to attend a meeting on Monday 9th April. It was agreed that all four parish meetings would be held on this date commencing at 7.30 p.m. Initially the meetings will be held jointly to allow Mr Reynolds to address all parishioners.

9. **Date of next Meeting:** Monday 2nd April 2001 at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting was closed at 8.15 p.m.

Signed Dated
Chairman

MINUTES OF THE A57 ACTION GROUP
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 14 MARCH, 2001

PRESENT: Mr. C. Dixon, Mrs. H. Dixon, Mr. M. Waters (Chair), Mr. F. Jagger
Mrs. S. Cloughton

APOLOGIES: Mr. D. East

1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

Mrs. Cloughton reported that no correspondence had been received from Councillor J. Hemsall, despite the fact he had telephoned during February and stated he would reply before this meeting.

Mr. Dixon reported he had written to the Power Station but had received no reply concerning any support for the Action Group. Still awaiting replies from Lincolnshire CC.

Mr. Waters reported he had written to both the Highways Agency and the County Council, still awaiting replies.

Mrs. Cloughton reported that Mr. East had informed her that objections to de-trunking needed to be sent by 22 March, 2001. Mrs. Cloughton stated she would write immediately.

Mrs. Dixon stated she was awaiting replies from Solicitors.

3. STRATEGY PLAN

Following much discussion concerning assistance from outside agencies Mr and Mrs. Dixon agreed to contact Sunderland and Loughborough Universities concerning assistance with monitoring projects.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

After further discussion Mrs. Cloughton was asked to contact Mr. I. Atkinson concerning various matters and also to obtain a copy of the NCC Transport Criteria for the A57.

Mrs. Cloughton to contact NCC Environment re noise and pollution etc.

Mr. F. Jagger agreed to get in touch with Sam Heart, Editor of the "Big Issue" concerning a write up about the problems we are encountering re: issues relating to the A57.

Following discussion Mr. Jagger stated that as a Group we should pursue the procedures and responsibilities of the County and Local Councils concerning the pledges made and future inclusion in any transport issues relating to a by-pass for Darlton and Dunham on Trent.

Mrs. Claughton was asked to write Terry Butler, NCC Environment Chairman.

5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 18 April, 2001, at 7.00 p.m. at Little Styrrup, Main Street, Dunham on Trent.

The meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.

Signed

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

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 2nd April 2001 at the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillors D East (Chairman), G Ashton, I Atkinson, B Grimes,
P Lyon, M Matthews, G Saville and 1 member of the public.

1. **Apologies:** were received and accepted from Cllrs M Barden, N Bett, S Cobb, D Copley, C Gaisford, L Sharpe, District Cllr D Yates and County Cllr J Hemsall.
2. **Minutes of the Last Meeting:** The minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 5th March 2001 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Matthews and Seconded by Cllr Ashton.
3. **Matters Arising:**
 - a) **Accidents:** Van in dike east of Field House Farm.
 - b) **Criminal Acts:** Abandoned vehicles (reported to Police by Chairman). Cllr Atkinson to raise the issue of abandoned vehicles at the next Parish Liaison meeting.
 - c) **Highways A57: Darlton** - Lamps and gouges in road previously reported still need attending to.
 - d) **Highways – Parish: Ragnall** - The road through Ragnall village has been scheduled for resurfacing during the current financial year. **Dunham** - Faded Give Way sign at Lancham Road/Cockett's Hill junction is to be replaced. Sunken reinstatement along Cartwright Close has been passed to Anglian Water for attention. Clerk to chase up the resurfacing of Church Walk.
 - e) **Footpaths and Parish Lanes: Foot & Mouth** - Letter from NCC re closure of Rights of Way due to Foot and Mouth Disease. Letter asks for help identifying which paths may be re-opened for Easter. With a suspected case of the disease in the Parish it was felt that at present all paths should remain closed. Clerk to notify NCC accordingly. **P3 Map Project** - NCC is piloting a map project in the county, producing encapsulated plan prints of the parish definitive map and displaying these in a cabinet. Initially 10 parishes will have these provided free of charge to use as demonstrations. Dunham and District has been chosen to be included in his initiative.
 - f) **Casual Vacancy:** No applications received to date.

The meeting was adjourned at 7.25 p.m. for public discussion. The meeting was reconvened at 7.50 p.m.

4. Village Maintenance:

- (i) **Public Discussion** - Following public discussion it was agreed that the Clerk should write to Terry Butler, NCC, asking for a copy of the minutes of the meeting which included the consultation re the detrunking of the A57 to establish whether any objections were raised. Clerk to chase up the upgrading of the streetlighting through Dunham-on-Trent and Ragnall crossroads via Graeme Symonds, OPUS. It was also agreed that the Parish Council would support any request made from the A57 Action Group for a vibration/noise test through the Noise Abatement Society. Details to be provided in due course.
- (ii) **Darlton** - Unsatisfactory condition of road from Woodcoates junction to Drayton Lane. Reinstatement of several manhole covers needed - opposite Church particularly bad. Previous reinstatement near phone box requires attention again. Problems with fly-tipping still being reported at Darlton Gaps.

- (iii) Dunham-on-Trent – Problems with ditch and buttresses near Play Area need addressing. Cllr Gaisford is not available to cut the Play Area grass this year. Clerk to chase up removal of Old NCC Depot on Ferry Lane.
- (iv) Lancham Lay-by – The area is still in need of tidying. Litterbusters to be asked to clear the litter.
- (v) Fledborough Lane – Request for resurfacing to be made.

5. Planning Matters:

Plans:

Sharman and Bowmar - Demolish lean-to structure and erect two storey extension at Majors Farm, Woodcoates Road, Darlton. **Support Proposal.**

6. Correspondence:

NCC – Highways Briefings.

BDC – Best Value Performance Plan. New 24 hour emergency telephone number 01777 713855. Housing Association Development Programme – to be discussed at Annual Parish meetings.

Notts Police Authority – Details of meeting 12th April at Retford.

Awards for All – The Parish Council has been advised that they are not eligible for Lottery funding.

CAF – Letter requesting update on funding for the Darlton Play Area Project. Clerk to respond advising that it is hoped that the project will be completed within the year. Suppliers are holding the prices as quoted and Parish Council is maintaining their support.

Resignation of Clerk – The Chairman read out a letter of resignation from the Clerk. Due to work commitments Mrs Martin wishes to stand down as Clerk, at the end of September. The position is to be advertised in the Retford Times (2 weeks), Lincolnshire Echo and Newark Advertiser. Replies to be in by 14th May. Clerk to obtain a job description schedule from NALC. Personal specification to be drawn up at the next meeting.

I T Albans – Mr Albans has advised that he is no longer able to undertake the grasscutting at Darlton Play Area. Clerk to place an advert in the Retford Times asking for tenders for 10 cuts for the ½ acre area of land. Advert to appear for two weeks. Replies to be in by 14th May.

7. Financial Matters:

a) Balance of Accounts

Current Account - £2,711.14 Deposit Account - £5,347.48

b) Cheques were issued as follows:

B.T.	(300074) £ 25.70 (Village Hall Phone)
NALC	(300075) £ 66.44 (Subscription)
Dunham Garden Services	(300076) £387.60 (P3 Scheme)
I T Albans	(300077) £210.00 (Grasscutting Darlton)

8. Urgent Business: No matters raised.

9. Date of next Meeting: Tuesday 15th May 2001 at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting was closed at 9.05 p.m.

Signed Dated
Chairman

**MINUTES OF THE A 57 ACTION GROUP COMMITTEE MEETING HELD
ON WEDNESDAY, 18 APRIL, 2001**

PRESENT: Mr. M. Waters (Chair), Mrs. S. Claughton, Mrs. P. Lyons

APOLOGIES: Mr. D. East, Mr F. Jagger

1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

Mrs. Claughton reported that an acknowledgment had been received from the Highways Agency concerning our objection to A57 De-trunking.

3. Mr. Waters welcomed Mrs. Lyons to the meeting and gave her a brief resume matters to date. Discussion followed as to the need for a strategy plan and it was agreed that we should put together a presentation as a committee and present it firstly to the P.C. and then to an open meeting. We must plan the way forward in the light of the de-trunking.

4. REPORT FROM LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Mr. Waters gave a short summary from his attendance at the P.C. meeting. He stated that if the road were not scheduled for de-trunking then very possibly we would be in the Governments Road Plan. He suggested that the P.C. should write to Derek Mapp in the form of an official letter stating the remarks concerning the De-trunking and the Government Road Plan. *Nothing from N.C.C. about minutes. waiting recording.*

The P.C. agreed to write to the Notts. Environmental Department concerning the request for vibration and noise testing.

Pollution Monitoring – Mrs. Claughton to contact BDC re results.

Road Accident – Thursday, 12 April, 2001 in which the car driver died.

Mr. Waters to get back in touch with the Police re the Linniar Strip across the road monitoring numbers of traffic and speed.

It was agreed that we should write to NCC and the Highways Agency concerning the new road junction leading west out of the village of Dunham.

Mrs. Claughton reported an accident involving a parked car when the driver failed to stop.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Claughton reported information received from Mr. Jagger and circulated copies at the meeting.

It was agreed that we should contact the Parish Councils of Anston and Todwick concerning their problems with the A57.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting will be Wednesday, 16 May, at 7.00 p.m. at Little Styrup, Main Street, Dunham on Trent.

It was agreed the Agenda for this meeting will open in order to formulate a strategy for our presentation to the P.C.

Meeting closed at 8.15 p.m.

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL, DARLTON AND FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Dunham-on-Trent Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 2nd
May 2000 in the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent, commencing at 7.00 p.m.**

Present:

Councillors R Spink (Chairman), D East, C Gaisford, I. Sharpe and District Cllr D Yates.

Apologies were received from Cllrs M Matthews, R Gourley, G Ashton and County Cllr John Hemsall.

Highways Matters:

- (i) **Pavement Parking** - Vehicles parking on the pavement along Main Street are still causing problems. Letters to be sent to residents and Inspector Ffoulkes-Jones.
- (ii) **Laneham Road, Lay-by** - The lay-by is still attracting rubbish.
- (iii) **Play Area** - Gate needs repairing.
- (iv) **Pavement for Low Street to Chequers Lane** - NCC to be asked again if they can provide a pavement.
- (v) **Church Walk** - NCC to be contacted again about the promised resurfacing of Church Walk.
- (vi) **Hedge at The Hawthorns** - The owners are to be asked to trim back the hedge.

Cllr Yates arrived at 7.20 p.m.

- (vii) **Speed Restriction, Laneham Road** - Comments are still awaited from Fiona Jones MP about the 30 m.p.h. speed limit requested for Laneham Road. Cllr Yates agreed to write to Mrs Jones on behalf of the Parish Council.

Meeting closed at 7.25 p.m.

DUNHAM-ON-TRENT WITH RAGNALL, DARLTON AND FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 15th May 2001 at the Village Hall, Dunham-on-Trent commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillors D East (Chairman), G Ashton, M Barden, N Bett, S Cobb, C Gaisford, R Gourley, P Lyon, M Matthews, G Saville and F Jagger (A57 Sub-Committee).

1. **Apologies:** were received and accepted from Cllrs I Atkinson, D Copley, District Cllr D Yates and County Cllr J Hemsall.

2. **Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman**

Chairman

- D East
- Proposed by Cllr G Ashton
- Seconded by Cllr P Lyon

Vice-Chairman

- M Matthews
- Proposed by Cllr M Barden
- Seconded by Cllr G Ashton

Cllr East duly signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took his place as Chairman for the forthcoming year.

3. **Election of Representatives:**

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| (i) | NALC Northern Area | - | Cllrs I Atkinson and D East |
| (ii) | Tree Warden | - | Mr John Whate (to be confirmed
- Mr Whate to be invited to the
next meeting) |
| (iii) | School Governor | - | Cllr D Copley (to be confirmed) |
| (iv) | Village Hall | - | Cllrs M Matthews and G Ashton |
| (v) | Footpaths Officer | - | Cllr C Gaisford |
| (vi) | Conservation Sub-Comm | - | Cllrs M Barden, D Copley,
D East, C Gaisford & P Lyon |
| (vii) | Playgroup Bdg Management | - | Cllr L Sharpe (to be confirmed) |
| (viii) | Darlington Play Area Comm. | - | Cllrs S Cobb, B Grimes and
P Lyon. |

4. **Minutes of the Last Meeting:** The minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 2nd April 2001 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. **Proposed** by Cllr G Saville and **Seconded** by Cllr P Lyon.

The meeting was adjourned at 7.20 p.m. for public discussion to take place. It was reconvened at 7.25 p.m.

5. **Matters Arising:**

- a) **Accidents:** Three incidents at Ragnall Crossroads, including one fatality. Clerk to write to OPUS about the unsatisfactory layout of the crossroads – the police have commented that the area is now more dangerous than before.
- b) **Criminal Acts:** Possible bogus caller reported at Ragnall.
- c) **Highways – A57:** Reply from Terry Butler, Cabinet Member for NCC Environment, advising that information will be forwarded to the Parish Council regarding the County Council's decision on the detrunking of the A57, in due course.
- d) **Highways – Parish:** **Fledborough Lane** is to be inspected. **Church Walk** - NCC are not able to fund the resurfacing at present. Cllr Hempsall has put forward a bid for funding from the Communities Priorities Budget. The results of this will be known next month. **Old NCC Depot** – Mr A Wallace, NCC Programme Management, is looking into the ownership of the building and will advise us of his findings in due course. **Parking at Byron Close** – BDC has advised that a review of the vehicle parking will be undertaken this summer.
- e) **Footpaths and Parish Lanes:** Cllr Gaisford declared an interest.
 - a) **P3** – Cllr Gaisford suggested that the proposed map needs to be updated before it is displayed. Cllr Gaisford also gave some suggestions as to which footpaths, if any, could be re-opened. Clerk to contact NCC for clarification on the current position with regards "Foot and Mouth".
- f) **Appointment of New Clerk:** Seven applications have been received. These were circulated for all councillors to peruse. - It was suggested that a short-listing panel, comprising the Chairman, Cllr Barden, Cllr Atkinson and the Clerk, meet on Thursday 31st May at Cllr Barden's home at 7.30 p.m.
- g) **Grasscutting Tenders for Darlton Play Area:** Cllr S Cobb declared an interest and left the meeting. Two tenders have been received. J Goddard £22 per cut, D Cobb £20 per cut. After some discussion it was proposed by Cllr Barden and seconded by Cllr Matthew's that the tender from David Cobb be accepted. Clerk to advise accordingly.
- h) **Casual Vacancy** – No applications received.

6. **Village Maintenance:**

- (i) **Highways – Darlton** – The road surface at the Tuxford Road/A57 junction needs patching. **Dunham** – 30 mph sign lamp on A57 still not repaired. Carriageway sweeper requested. The kerbs need replacing on Cockett's Hill, and the growth on the road and bank needs attention. Grass cuttings have been dumped in the sub station site at The Green. Sun bleached road signs need replacing. Telephone kiosk needs painting. Footpath near river is subsiding. Two new bin inners are needed.
- (ii) **Darlton Play Area** – The question of the entrance to the Play Area was raised. It was proposed by Cllr Gaisford and seconded by Cllr Bett that the Play Area Committee discusses this matter and a report

given at the next Parish Council meeting. A further letter has been received from CAF requesting clarification on outstanding monies, grants applied for and timescale for the works. Letter passed to Cllr Lyon for attention.

- (iii) **Overgrown Hedges** – It was reported that the hedges at The Hawthorns, D-O-T and Jubilee House, D-O-T need trimming. Clerk to write to the owner of The Hawthorns. Chairman to speak to the owner of Jubilee House.
- (iv) **Streetlights** – Lamps 17 at Ragnall and 2 at Dunham require attention.

7. **Planning Matters:**

Decision: Gourley – Convert redundant farm building to dwelling at Hill Top Farm, Dunham-on-Trent. **Permission Granted.**

8. **Correspondence:**

- (i) **Notts Police Authority** – Mr R A Hassett JP, Police Authority Member is to attend the July meeting.
- (ii) **NCC** – Highways Briefings.
- (iii) **NALC** – Details of forthcoming seminars on Village Appraisals and Rural White Paper.
- (iv) **NRCC** – Rural Voice. AGM details.
- (v) **CPRE** – Best Kept Village competition details. It was agreed that Dunham-on-Trent and Darlton should be entered again.
- (vi) **BCVS** – Newsletter.
- (vii) **Notts Fire Authority** – Annual Plan and Burning Issues.

Various publications were tabled.

9. **Financial Matters:**

- a) **Statement of Accounts 2000/1** – The Clerk presented the Statement of Accounts for 2000/1. It was proposed by Cllr Matthews and seconded by Cllr Gourley that these be adopted. The accounts were duly signed by the Chairman and Clerk.
- b) **Cornhill Insurance** – Cover was reviewed in all sections. It was proposed by Cllr Barden and seconded by Cllr Ashton that the insurance should be renewed as presented.
- c) **Cheques** – were issued as follows:

Target Newspapers	300078	£ 64.60	(Advert)
Retford Times	300079	£286.00	(Advert)
Dunham Millennium Centre	300080	£ 16.00	(Room Hire)
Cornhill Insurance	300081	£339.58	(Insurance)
CPRE	300082	£ 8.00	(Best Kept Village)
- d) **Receipts** – received as follows:

Coopers Dunham Ltd	£42.00	(Rent – “Reptile Gardens” land)
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10. **Urgent Business:**

Annual Parish Meetings – **Ragnall** - Cllr Barden gave details of the attendance and contents of the meeting. **Dunham** – Cllr East gave a report from the meeting.

11. **Date of next Meeting:** Monday 4th June 2001 at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting was closed at 9.25 p.m.

Signed
Chairman

Dated