

# Minutes of Dunham-on-Trent, with Ragnall, Darlton and Fledborough Parish Council (Dunham & District Parish Council)



Meeting of **Dunham & District Parish Council** held on the **12<sup>th</sup> Apr 2022** at Dunham Village Hall, the meeting commenced at **7:00pm**.

## Council Members & Officer Present

Cllr Madeline Barden

Cllr Emma Thorpe

Cllr Rachel Bean

Cllr Adrian Stapleton

Current Vacancies

Ed Knox

0 Members of the Public

Dist Cllr Lewis Stanniland

County Cllr John Ogle

Chairman

Cllr Carole Booth

Cllr Rachel Lovett

Darlton: 1

Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer

## Also, Present

### ➤ Public Forum

None.

### 22/22 To receive apologies for absence

The Council **resolved** to accept the apologies of Cllrs Watkinson, Atkinson & Ballinger and noted the absence of Cllr Oldfield.

### 23/22 To receive declarations of interest

None.

### 24/22 To Approve Minutes of the Previous Meeting

After discussion, the council **resolved** to accept the minutes. The chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true and accurate record.

### 25/22 To receive reports from County and District Councillors

**Dist Cllr Isard** – Did not attend.

**Dist Cllr Stanniland** – Advised that some bulky household items will soon become free for collection by Bassetlaw due to a recent change in the law. Dist Cllr Stanniland and Isard have held surgeries in local villages in the Ward and are attending Laneham next. The Parish Council's request for a larger or 2<sup>nd</sup> bin at the A57 bus turning area has been declined by Bassetlaw but Dist Cllr Stanniland will continue to try and request that a larger bin is supplied. The Village Hall Committee have requested to Notts County Council that they provide a brown tourism sign pointing the way to the village hall. Dist Cllr Stanniland asked that the Council emails in support of their application, whilst it is not known if this will help the V Hall committee in their endeavours the Parish Council **resolved** to email in support of their request.

Cllr Stanniland advised that the matter of the entrance widening of the White Swan has been raised with County Cllr Ogle and the Highways Dept have advised that they can do nothing until the development has started, once it has, they will come out and assess the situation to see what measures can be done to mitigate the issues. Cllr Ogle advised that he has the matter on the bi-monthly meetings with Highways. The Bassetlaw Local Plan will soon be out for consultation once more, now that the idea of the Garden Village has been scrapped from the plan.

**County Cllr Ogle** – The Council agreed to ask Cllr Ogle what the procedure would be for the Parish Council to request that Highways England considers an A57 Darlton and Dunham Bypass over the Trent.

### 26/22 Finance:

#### 1. To Approve Payments:

The Council **approved** the following: -

| <u>Payee</u>          | <u>Item</u> | <u>Amount</u>    |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------------|
| None                  |             | £0               |
| <b>Total Payments</b> |             | <b><u>£0</u></b> |

Receipts:

| <u>From</u>           | <u>Item</u> | <u>Amount</u>      |
|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| None                  |             | £0                 |
| <b>Total Receipts</b> |             | <b>£0</b>          |
| <b>Bank Balance</b>   |             | <b>£25,662.47*</b> |

Bank Reconciliation for the year to date to be approved. Council **Resolved** unanimously that figures were correct. Reconciliation to be signed by when practical. Direct Debits and Standing Orders for staff salaries including PAYE and Pension, all **approved** unanimously. \* £5,000 Wildlife & Environmental Project Budget, £2100 Grant Funds currently raised and Ring-Fenced for the project. The County Council Local Communities Fund Grant Application has been submitted.

#### 27/21 To Progress the Jubilee Wildlife & Environmental Project

Cllr Barden advised Dist Cllr Stanniland and Cllr Lovett of a summary of the project. The member of the public who is the Project Manager will be asked to come to the next meeting by Cllr Barden to give an overview of the next steps to progress the project.

#### 28/22 To Receive an update on Fledborough Broadband

At the March meeting, Cllr Atkinson reported that at the recommendation of Notts County Council, Evolve Ltd an alternative to Openreach has approached Cllr Atkinson, they are going to undertake surveys and costing of potential provision of the broadband infrastructure via their company. So far there is no new update on their findings.

Dist Cllr Stanniland advised that Cllr Atkinson may wish to email the local MP to make him aware of the full history of the broadband issues and see if he can do anything to help. Cllr Bean to let Cllr Atkinson know. If any residents have further questions, they can also contact the Notts County Council Broadband Engagement Officer and his Better Broadband for team using [enquiries.broadband@nottsccl.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries.broadband@nottsccl.gov.uk) or by phoning 0115 977 2532.

#### 29/22 To Receive Councillor's/Clerks' Reports including Road Traffic Accidents:

- **Noting of Accidents – None**

New Highways issues, Cllrs report via the online tool (ideally with photos) in first instance whenever possible and let the Clerk know the reference number, then at each meeting any unactioned reported items the Clerk will escalate to the County Cllr/District Cllr, Highways Manager/Waste Managers.

The following items have been raised with the Highways Authority Manager so that these matters can be investigated and finally resolved. Each month the Clerk chases the Highways Manager and the Parish Council adds to this list while awaiting a reply:

**Outstanding Items (chased monthly with the Highways Manager and being discussed with the new area manager at the site meeting with Cllrs Barden & Ballinger on 15<sup>th</sup> Nov 2021) Highways Manager Response in italics:**

- **Whitelines on The Green** – The Highways Manager looked at the blind corner of The Green/Horne Lane and the cars parking near the junction increase the safety problem. The Highways Manager will arrange to repaint white the road markings and write a double dotted line on the road. *23.12.2021 - The renewing of the white lining on the carriageway at the junction of Horne Lane/The Green has been ordered. This type of work is due to commence in the Spring of 2022.*
- **4 Long Row Cottages Flooding** - The Drainage Manger and Principal Flood Risk Manager are working together to find a resolution to this issue. The resident has been contacted by a member of the Flood Risk team at NCC. The Council would like to be copied in on the final resolution for information purposes, request that Highways Manager provides a copy of the report. *23.12.2021 – The flooding issues at 4 Long Row Cottages are currently being investigated and if I receive any further updates, they will be forwarded to the Parish Council.*
- **Boggy Bottom Flooding at Fledborough** – Cllr Atkinson advised that the residents of Boggy Bottom will be emailing County Cllr Ogle regards their flooding issues. *14.04.2021 County Cllr Ogle advised the Boggy Bottom residents haven't as yet emailed him with their issues.*
- **Children Playing/Playground Signage REF HAMS 4302792** - the Parish Lengthsman advises that on Low Street near the Village Hall, there is no Children Playing/Playground Signage. Reported to Highways Manager 19.04.21. Highways Manager agreed no signage was there so this would be looked into for

potential signage installation. The Highways Manager asked Ruth Eyre Highways Liaison Coordinator (HLC) to provide the PC with an update. 01.10.2021 HLC asked for a google earth map of the location of the play area, map emailed to HLC. 07.12.21 HLC confirmed this is submitted on the Highways Programme for 2022/23.

- **Damaged County Council Road signs in Fledborough, Ref CSC353240786** are still outstanding, reference number says that the job is closed as complete but no work has been undertaken, to be escalated to the newly appointed Highways Manager. 23.12.2021 – *the works have been issued for the leaning sign and will be carried out in due course.* 12.04.2022 – *Work Completed*
- **Low Street Street Light No5** - Ref CSC392736342 – Reported to Notts County Council that street light no 5 is flashing. 12.04.2022 – *Work Completed*
- **The footpath in Dunham to St Oswalds Park, ref CSC371013990** has lots of brambles left all over the floor by the County Council Contractors meaning dog walkers cannot go through, the clerk agreed to chase the Rights of Way Officer at County Council to have the contractors return to remove the debris. 12.04.2022 – *Work Completed*
- **Fledborough Leaky Noticeboard** – S.Ashworth Diggers Ltd quote of £40 has been accepted and they will be undertaking the repairs shortly.
- **Fledborough Village Parish Council Sign** - S.Ashworth Diggers Ltd have been asked to reinstate the sign.
- **Large Pothole on Cocketts Hill** – Cllr Ballinger has reported a photo of the pothole to Notts County Council via the App.

#### **New Items:**

- **Cllr Booth** – A member of the public has fixed the pothole on Ash Close Private Road.
- **Cllr Barden** – Will attend the Notts County Council Strategy Meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> May at Worksop. The Village Hall Committee are seeking help from volunteers on the day of the Jubilee Celebrations and also seeking any tombola donations.  
Cllr Barden will speak with Cllr Watkinson regards potential ideas to suggest to the Primary School for the local children to be potentially involved with the Cycle Race coming through Dunham on 8<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022.

#### **30/22 Closure of Meeting**

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting at 8:40pm.