

DUNHAM ON TRENT WITH RAGNALL, DARLTON AND FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

(Dunham & District Parish Council)



MINUTES OF THE DUNHAM & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at 7:00pm on 11 FEBRUARY 2020 at the Dunham Millennium Hall, Low Street, Dunham on Trent

Present: Councillors: Lucy Atkinson, Madeline Barden (Chair), Carole Booth,
Lyn Sharpe, Adrian Stapleford and Kathryn Watkinson

District Councillor S Isard

Clerk: Caron Ballantyne

In Attendance: 1 member of the public (part) and PC Nathan Thomas (part)

Action by:

2/20/01 Public Forum

PC Nathan Thomas explained the stats that are received for his 4 beat areas. Thanks were given by the Chair for the introduction and the information shared.
Fibre broadband at Fledborough is still outstanding and was reported that it would be installed between September to December 2019. Clerk to follow this up with County Councillor Ogle.
Police and public left the meeting

Clerk

2/20/02 To consider and approve any applications for co-option

No applications have been received.
Following the resignation of Richard Horstead, there is now a vacancy at Dunham on Trent for which no election has been called. The Parish Council may now co-opt to this vacancy.
Current vacancies:
Darlton: 2, Fledborough: 1, Dunham on Trent: 1

2/20/03 To receive reports from Police, County and District Councillors *District Councillor S Isard*

Nothing to report
Councillor Isard requested to escalate a number of matters with the relevant District Council officers:
➤ Planning Enforcement at Ragnall and Dunham on Trent
➤ Street Name plate for Cocketts Hill (junction with Laneham Road)

Crime Figures for the Retford Area

December:

There were 51 calls to Notts Police for the month which is half the number for the previous month
Of those only 10 attracted a Home Office crime number
Dwelling Burglary 0
Burglary other than Dwelling 0
Criminal Damage 1
Theft from Motor vehicle 1
Theft of motor vehicle 0
Theft other 0

January:

There were 75 calls to Notts Police for the month, very heavily driven by the issues on the roads of which 16 attracted a Home Office crime number which breaks down as follows:

Burglary Dwelling 1 (attempt only, nothing stolen and no entry gained)

Burglary other 0

Criminal Damage 1

Theft from Motor Vehicle 6

Theft of Motor Vehicle 1

This is in line with the recent increase in Theft from Motor Vehicle which has been seen across the 4 beats and any information about suspicious vehicles across the district, please call through on 101 if it is after the fact or 999 if you see something suspicious there and then.

Clearly you will all be aware of the tragic events in Retford recently and this has obviously had an impact on our department to assist and we have also been asked to assist our colleagues to police football matches in Mansfield and Nottingham, but we should now be free from those commitments and be focussing on local issues again.

2/20/04 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies received from Councillor Ballinger. Resolved unanimously to accept the reason for absence

Apologies received from County Councillor Ogle and District Councillor K Isard, noted

2/20/05 To receive declarations of interest

Declarations of interest declared by Councillor Booth for Agenda Item 13

Declarations of interest declared by Councillor Watkinson for Agenda Items 12 and 14

2/20/06 To receive and approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meetings of 10 December 2019 and 7 January 2020, previously circulated to members. These were resolved unanimously to be a true record and signed by the Chair.**2/20/07 Finance****a) To formally note items of receipt for the month Value**

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| AXA | Insurance Claim | £445.00 |
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Noted

b) To Formally approve expenditure since the last meeting

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

c) Expenditure to be approved VAT Total

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| Via East Midlands Ltd | Purchase of New/Replacement Assets - IM020427 | £155.00 | £31.00 | £186.00 |
| Caron Ballantyne | Clerks Expenses | £172.16 | £9.00 | £181.16 |
| Colin Gaisford | Lengthsman Scheme - 33 | £49.00 | £0.00 | £49.00 |
| Carole Booth | Chairs/Councillors Expenses | £10.80 | £0.00 | £10.80 |

All expenditure approved unanimously.

- d) Bank Reconciliation for the year to date to be approved** **Clerk**
Reconciliations for December 2019 and January 2020 were approved by two Councillors. To be circulated to all members.

2/20/08 Planning

a) Applications for Consideration

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| None | | |
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Noted

b) Decisions

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| 19/01474/OUT | Ragnall House And Land To North, Main Street, Ragnall | Refused |
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Noted

c) Invitation to make representations on the Draft Bassetlaw Local Plan

Resolved unanimously that a response is sent highlighting concerns about:

- Proposed new housing for Dunham on Trent during the plan period of 39 houses, which is unrealistic with the restrictions already place on the area such as: public transport – this is only operated on a dial a ride basis, school – is already full and is oversubscribed, flood zone – much of the Eastern side of the village is within the flood zone and therefore not suitable for residential development, doctors – the doctors is in Tuxford or Sutton on Trent, there is no capacity at Sutton onTrent for new patients
- Development plans for former Cottam Power Station site is questioned as there is no classified highway network anywhere near the site. Approximately half the traffic would need to pass the primary school at Dunham, which already experiences excessive speeds and inappropriate driving, this will be compounded by the addition of such a large volume of additional traffic
- Development plans for the High Marnham site, will worsen the existing issues with excessive HGVs on rural unclassified roads. It is hoped that the Parishes to the south of the site in the Newark & Sherwood Council (NSDC) area have been consulted as well as NSDC

**Cllr
Barden**

d) Development Plans for Cottam Power Station site

See comments above – this proposal in contained in the Draft Bassetlaw Local Plan

e) To consider a Neighbourhood Plan for the Parishes

Resolved unanimously that this might be considered if there was an interest. 8 copies of the Good Councillors Guide to be ordered from NALC for Councillors to better understand the process and the possible outcome.

Clerk

2/20/09 To receive reports

Clerk & Councillors

Agenda Item

- BDC planning have been contacted with regard to **10/18/13d** planning permission/permitted development at Oak Tree Cottage, Ragnall – this is now being investigated along with 4 Coronation Terrace, Dunham. District Councillors Isard have been asked to obtain an update on progress from the enforcement officer

- Environment Agency contacted about replacement/new benches – additional information has been provided as requested. Location agreed on EA land, legal agreement in progress. **10/18/20**
- Action plan updated to include setting up Youth Council. Information being sought from other Parishes who have done this and advice from NALC has been requested. Meeting with Cllr Barden to be set up when appropriate. **12/18/12**
- Play Area Inspections **07/19/12**
Signs with contact details have been installed by Councillor Barden
- Mail shot to Darlton electors has been sent – no responses received **10/19/02**
- Horne Lane Land ownership. Information provided by Cllrs Isard was for the land registry. Initial information obtained was for the incorrect location, currently trying to resolve this **10/19/03**
- County Councillors Divisional Fund – Application for direction sign to the village hall has been drafted. Awaiting costing from NCC Highways in order to complete the form **10/19/12**
- Trees on the Trent – expression of interest submitted and this is being progressed **12/19/11f**
- What3 words – Additional information requested, awaiting a response **12/19/11g**
- Mayflower Oaks 400 Project – expression of interest submitted and acknowledged **12/19/11i**
- Bank Reconciliation for November circulated to Councillors **13/19/07d**
- Precept request submitted to BDC **13/19/07e**
- Keep Britain Tidy Spring Clean – event for 29th March 2020 @10:30am registered. BDC equipment requested. Payback notified **13/19/10b**
- Local Electricity Bill – Letter of support sent **13/19/10c**
- Nottinghamshire County Council Shared Lives – Invited to attend a future Parish Council meeting **13/19/10e**
- Changes made to the budget for the clerk to progress up the spinal points. **13/19/12**
Councillors responsibilities brought forward to next available meeting

Other items

- Work on the archives continues
- Planning Application consultation has been responded to
- Direction sign for Fledborough has been installed
- Local Council Award Scheme – Foundation Level Achieved

Reports to NCC

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Reports to BDC

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M Barden

11/19/10 – Park Inspections – all actions required have been undertaken
13/19/10a – Farhill Lane, Ragnall. The landowner has been contacted
The letter drop to the Darlton electorate requesting representation from that Parish has brought no response. All councillors to consider making direct approach to people who live in Darlton and encourage them to represent their Parish.

Thanks were given to the Clerk for all the work undertaken to achieve the Local Council Award Scheme and a bouquet was presented

M Barden & L Atkinson

13/19/10d – Consultation: Strengthening police powers to tackle unauthorised encampments – response has been sent

A Stapleton

10/19/11 – Photo to be provided to clerk of pavement damage in Ragnall

L Sharpe

Village Hall is in need of new heating and is looking for grants to fund this
The committee is not able to do anything for VE celebrations as they are doing a lot of fund raising for the hall and the new heating system and so are fully committed.

More fundraising events are being organised. Cllr Watkinson offered to share this information on Facebook

K Watkinson

1/20/04 – Bassetlaw District Council notified of Parish Council comments for planning application 19/01474/OUT
Quotation for outdoor gym equipment from various companies have been obtained. A résumé to be brought to the next meeting.

C Booth

Police meeting was informative and provided crime figures, unfortunately this does not include enough details to know what might be happening in each parish.

The ash trees in Ash Close (subject to a TPO) need to be looked at as they are becoming dangerous. The owners were asked to look at this in 2018, but no work has been undertaken to date

Lenghsman

Strimming of verges and clearing up debris following a traffic accident on the A57

Road Traffic accident last week on the A57 and an ambulance was involved in this

2/20/10 To consider the Draft Licence from the Environment Agency for the placing of a bench

The Parish Council is responsible for the bench and the area around it, as anticipated, therefore resolved unanimously the agreement should be signed and returned

Clerk

2/20/11 To consider options for the installation of benches

Resolved unanimously that 3 quotes be obtained for the installation of the benches

Clerk

2/20/12 Section 137 Grant Applications

- a) Parochial Church Council for Maintenance of Churchyards. Resolved unanimously that the Parish Council is unable to fund this request on this occasion. **Clerk**
Councillor Atkinson left the meeting

2/20/13 To Consider Contract for Lengthsman 2020/21

Resolved unanimously that the contract be amended as proposed.
Resolved unanimously that the rate of pay was increased slightly in line with inflation **Clerk**

2/20/14 To consider possible actions to be taken to try and alleviate future flooding problems

Resolved unanimously that Cllr Barden pursue this matter with County Councillor Ogle **Cllr Barden**

2/20/15 To consider reviewing all existing and historic footpaths against the definitive map held by NCC

Resolved unanimously that Parish Council should be the central point for any modification orders or claims for footpaths. Councillor Barden to meet with Neil Lewis from the NCC PRoW team to discuss this. **Cllr Barden**

2/20/16 To consider undertaking a tree survey to identify trees which could be put forward to the District Council for consideration to make Tree Preservation Orders

Resolved unanimously a tree survey is undertaken by Councillors. Cllr Barden to prepare an action plan for this **Cllr Barden**

2/20/17 Correspondence

- a) VE Day 75 (Brought Forward), to be brought forward to the next meeting to consider what the Parish Council may do **Clerk**
b) Lamp Post Poppies – resolved unanimously to order another 30 **Clerk**
c) Nottinghamshire County Council Local Improvement Scheme, resolved unanimously that there is nothing currently for the Parish Council, other groups are aware of this scheme
d) Invitation to attend VE Day 75 service, resolved unanimously that no one is available to attend **Clerk**
e) WPD Annual Workshops, 3 March 2020, resolved unanimously that Cllr Barden would attend if possible **Clerk**
f) Local Council Award Scheme, resolved unanimously that this would be publicised as widely as possible and the certificate would be framed and placed at the village hall. **Clerk**

Meeting closed at 21:50pm