

DUNHAM ON TRENT WITH RAGNALL, DARLTON AND FLEDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday the 10th of October 2017 which commenced at 19.00 hours. The meeting was held at the District Millennium Centre, Dunham on Trent.

Present: Cllr. Ms L Sharpe – Chairman, Cllr. I Oakden – Vice Chairman, Cllrs. Mrs S Oakden, Mrs K Watkinson, Miss J Starmer, Mrs J Briscoe, Mrs R Grimes, Mrs P McKechnie, Mrs D Moss, Mrs C Hamilton, Ms A Hamilton & P Eghan.

County Councillor John Ogle and District Councillors Keith & Shirley Isard

Special Guest.

Mrs Julia Wallace, the Head of Dunham on Trent school, was welcomed to the meeting. Mrs Wallace gave a short report on activities at the school and confirmed that she was keen to work with the Parish Council on any suitable projects or initiatives.

The Chairman thanked Mrs Wallace for attending the meeting.

QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were 8 members of the public present who raised a number of issues including:-

A request for bench seating to be provided near the River Trent.

Concern about flooding in Ragnall near Roberts Close including problems with blocked drains locally and a ditch which required clearing.

It was: AGREED (unanimously) to seek advice from both Notts CC (Highways) and Bassetlaw DC and A1 Housing to try and resolve this issue.

It was further agreed that no trees would be planted at Roberts Close, under item 10/17/16, in view of the above.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cllr. John Ogle asked that suitable Highways projects be submitted to Notts CC for consideration as additional funding had been allocated.

Clerk to submit request for Cockett's Hill to be resurfaced and footpath created.

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

No reports made.

POLICE REPORT

PC Bill Bailey detailed the crime statistics for the Parish before confirming that he was to retire from the Police in December 2017. The Chairman thanked PC Bailey for his service to this community and wished him a long and happy retirement.

10/17/1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllrs. Mrs C Booth, Mrs M Barden & Mr R Horstead. Noted.

10/17/2. To receive intention to record the meeting.

None.

10/17/3. Declarations of Interest.

The following Declarations of Interest were made.

Bills for payment.

Cllr. L Sharpe – pecuniary interest.

Cllr. Jane Starmer – pecuniary interest.

Erection of Seats on the Trent Embankment.

Cllr. K Watkinson – non pecuniary interest

10/17/4. To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 29 August 2017.

Approved (unanimously) and duly signed by the Chairman.

10/17/5. Matters arising for information only.

Nil of note.

10/17/6. Drainage in Ragnall.

Deferred. Agenda item December 2017.

10/17/7. Invoices for Payment.

The Clerk detailed the payments to be made for October 2017.

It was proposed by Cllr. R Grimes and seconded by Cllr. Oakden and it was:

AGREED (unanimously) that all payments be authorised.

10/17/8. Correspondence.

A letter regarding traffic concerns on Woodcoates Lane. Noted.

It was confirmed by Cllr. K Isard that no Local Development Plan currently existed for the Bassetlaw DC area.

10/17/9. War Memorial refurbishment.

The Clerk reported that the project has been completed.

Cllr. Jane Starmer was thanked for co-ordinating the provision and erection of the new stone troughs and planting up of the same.

The Clerk informed Council that Cllr. Starmer had provided the plants at her own expense for the benefit of the community.

10/17/10. New Seat(s) for the Trent Embankment.

It was: AGREED (unanimously) to delegate Cllr. P Eghan and the Parish Clerk authority to arrange for the purchase of No.2 bench seats and arrange

installation once the necessary authority had been received from the Environment Agency.

10/17/11. J G Pears.

An information sheet prepared by the Environment Agency was circulated to members.

10/17/12. Lengthsman.

The Clerk gave details of works completed recently in the Parish by the Lengthsman. Noted.

NB A review of the Lengthsman role, remuneration and duties is to be undertaken by Cllrs. Barden and Oakden.

The last review was completed in 2016.

10/17/13. Website for the Parish Council and VHMC.

The Chairman confirmed that a professional website designer had been appointed to take over the day to day management of the VHMC and Parish Council website.

10/17/14. Broad Band.

The Clerk was asked to investigate whether high speed Broad Band could be provided to Fledborough. Agenda item for December 2017 FCM.

10/17/15. Council Social Event (18 Jan 18) at Eyre Arms.

Names to the Parish Clerk – please. NB Partners are most welcome.

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Bulbs will be provided for members and community groups to plant within the Parish during December 2017.

10/17/17. Planning Applications & Determinations.

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- a. The drainage system for top and foul water in Dunham simply cannot cope with any more housing developments.
- b. Highway concerns
- c. Flooding risk.

10/17/18. Risk Review & Asset Inspection

- a. Accidents. None reported.
- b. Footpaths and Parish Lanes.
It was reported that the public footpath on Laneham Road required clearing. Clerk to investigate and report back.
A request was made that consideration be given to create a new public footpath from Darlton to Dunham along the route of the A57. Clerk to investigate and report back in due course.
- c. Highways.
Nil of note.

10/17/19. Training for Cllrs.

Two members are to attend the 1st of November training session at Epperstone and 3 vacancies have been booked for the January 17th 2018 (Cllrs Booth and McKechnie have already volunteered to attend).

10/17/20. Notification of Completion of Audit 2016/2017 FY.

It was confirmed that all audit procedures had been completed for the 16/17 FY.

10/17/21. Extension to Parish Hall.

- a. Cost of putting the overhead electricity lines at the rear of Parish Hall underground.

The Clerk reported that the cost of burying the overhead cables at the rear of the Parish Hall had been estimated at £18K.

It was: **AGREED** (unanimously) that the costs were prohibitive and this suggestion was shelved.

- b. Progress report and discussion on the proposals.
The clerk was authorised to prepare plans, with costings for councillors to consider at the December 2017 meeting. Agenda item next meeting.

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Cllr. L Sharpe – Chairman Dated.....