

Minutes of the Dunston Parish Council Meeting Held on Monday 6th March 2023

Present: Cllrs McLuckie (Chair), Pellew, Duncan, Philipson, Moore. Clerk to Council

Council Session

23022 To receive apologies and accept valid reasons of absence:

Received from Cllrs Armstrong, Lamyman and Treece and NKDC Cllr Bailey.

23023 To receive members' declarations of disposable pecuniary, non-disclosable pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in relation to any agenda item. **No changes**

23024 The minutes of the previous meeting on 13th February 2023 were agreed as a true record.

23025 The forthcoming election in May was discussed and the need for Cllrs seeking nomination to abide by the very strict timetable for submitting paperwork was stressed. The first meeting of the new PC was scheduled for 17th May after the Annual Parish Meeting had concluded.

23026 A review of the AGAR had finally been received from the external auditor and a number of comments were noted. In view of the very short timescale for a response to the auditor an interim reply was thought necessary. The difficulty in updating the web-site remained a recognized problem and it was resolved to purchase professional help to comply with the legislation about publishing documents on the web-site. **TB**

23027 It was resolved to carry out a review of the Asset Register in preparation for the financial year end. **TB**

23028 The dog waste bin at the Metheringham Road entrance to the playing field had broken completely. A replacement dog waste bin was to be ordered and in the meantime the spare wheelie bin could be used at that location. **TB**

23029 Cllr Duncan was congratulated on the great success of the Hedgerow Heroes event. All the saplings had been planted by lunch time and the barbecue and hot drink had been much appreciated. It was resolved that a formal letter of gratitude should be sent to Dyson Farming for the contribution made by their two workers. **TB**

23029 The survey on the Village Hall had now been received.

23030 Date and time of next meeting: 17th April 2023 at 1900