

## Minutes of the Dunston Parish Council Meeting - Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2025

**Present:** Cllrs McLuckie, Armstrong, Craig, Lamyman, Pellew, Phillipson and Craig. LCC Cllr Kendrick, one member of the public and Clerk to the council.

### **Public session**

### **Council Session**

**25043** Apologies received from Cllrs Duncan, Treece and NKDC Cllr Parry.

**25044** No declarations of interest were received.

**25045** The Chairman welcomed new Cllr Alan Craig to the meeting.

**25046** The minutes of the meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

**25047** The Chairman confirmed that the sandbags would continue to be kept in the old potato store but it was thought that moving them to the lean-to at the top of Back Lane near the cemetery could be a better long-term solution. This has been requested but we are still awaiting agreement from the building owners.

**25048** The test of the Emergency Plan needed to be scheduled – a google poll will be sent round to those involved to help choose a suitable date. **RM**

**25049** A formal request for a pedestrian dropped kerb should be submitted to LCC. **BL TB**

**25050** The community speed watch project is still on hold awaiting more volunteers.

**25051** The question of dealing with the moles on the playing field and cemetery was deferred to allow more time for research. **All**

**25052** It was agreed to offer tea/coffee and light refreshments at the Annual Parish Meeting which is scheduled to take place on 12<sup>th</sup> May starting at 1830. All activities and clubs using the village hall and active in the village are to be invited to send a representative to address those parishioners who attend. **TB**

**25053** The costs involved in changing the ownership of the “ransom strip” of land by the playing field should be ascertained prior to a final decision being made. **LT TB**

**25054** Cllr Duncan has been accepted as a signatory on all the bank accounts. **PD**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place in the Lamyman room in the Dunston Village Hall at **1900 on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May** after the Annual Parish Meeting concludes.