

Minutes of the Dunston Parish Council Meeting - Monday 9th Feb 2026

Present: Cllrs McLuckie, Craig, Harrison, Lamyman, Pellew. Clerk to the council and LCC Cllr Kendrick.

Council Session

26014 Apologies for absence: Cllrs Armstrong, Phillipson and Treece.

26015 No declarations of interest were declared.

26016 The minutes of the previous meeting on 12th Jan were agreed and signed as a true record.

26017 The review of policies and procedures was largely complete except for the Neighbourhood plan which requires significant updating to reflect the very different political climate at both local and national level. A specific date will be required to discuss this further. **RM**

26018 It was reported that the damaged road bridge on Front Street should be replaced later this summer and the faulty street light reported last August should be fixed by early March. Yet more further investigation of the blocked drain outside "Owl's Hoot" is apparently still required by NKDC.

26019 Project Groundwater training is going to be scheduled for the start of the next Parish Council meeting (9th March at 1900) for more members of the public to be given the opportunity to access the water level and flood alerting system. **AC RM**

26020 The fly tipping on Lincoln Road is currently the subject of further investigation by NKDC Environment team and should be treated almost like a crime scene. Once their work is complete the debris will be removed. **HB**

26021 LCC Highways have volunteered to try to help mend the fencing around the playing field. A liaison meeting will be held with their contact on site. **TB**

26022 The contract from T&T Tree services for work on PC owned trees has been accepted and the work requested to be completed during the current financial year. **TB**

26023 It was agreed to renew the community garden waste scheme at the village hall for the coming year. **TB**

26024 The VHMC intend to hold a fund raising Open Day on 6th June with light refreshments being served. **VHMC**

26025 The PC finances were reviewed and the current position and reserves thought satisfactory with only a few projects left to be completed during this financial year.

The meeting closed at 2040.

Next Meeting: Mon 9th March 2026 at 1900 in Dunston Village Hall.