

**Minutes of the of Dunston Parish Council Meeting
held on Monday 15th June at 7.30pm via Zoom.**

PRESENT: P.Cllrs R.McLuckie (RM) (Chair), L.Phillipson (LP), K.Atken (KA) & Clerk L.Stocker (LS)(Minutes)

APOLOGIES: C.Cllr. R.Kendrick, D.Cllr. N.Byatt (NB), D.Cllr. L.Pearson, P.Cllr. P.Moore (Vice Chair) & E.Vinter (EV).

DECLARATION OF INTEREST: None.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: The minutes were held to be a true and accurate record.

- County Cllr Kendrick's monthly report had been shared prior to the meeting.

PLAYING FIELD:

- The work to the fence has been completed.
- Government guidelines relating to use play equipment use have been put up at the entrance to the car park and playing field.
- The annual RoSPA playground inspection will be arranged.

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ENVIRONMENT:

- The grass verge along the The Beck is overgrown, but LCC maintenance is due between 15.06.20 – 19.07.20. Concerns that this may affect growth of the young trees has been raised. Parish Councillors have agreed to clear around the tree bases and purchase/install protective sleeves around the trunks.
- A bin for The Splash was identified and agreed for purchase.

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HIGHWAYS:

- From 21st June a convoy system will run at B1189 at Martin Moor & the B1189 at Moor Lane, Metheringham. This is due to road resurfacing.
- The trees at the Village Hall car park entrance are overgrown and limiting visibility. Ownership will be established to allow this to be addressed.
- LCC have requested that areas of concern are highlighted to assist the work of the new Road Gangs. Dunston's planned work is in March 2021, but as 'on-the-spot' repairs may be undertaken, the following areas have been noted:
 - The directional signs at the top of Fen Lane need cleaning.
 - The three-way sign at the T-junction of Fen Lane and the unnamed road to Metheringham (after Prior Lane) requires cleaning.
 - The surface of the B1188 Dunston Heath Road Lane is in very poor repair along its length, with the bends becoming particularly treacherous.
 - The culvert on Back Lane (by school/path to Nocton) needs cleaning.
 - The culvert on the corner of Chapel Lane needs cleaning.
 - The Beck needs cleaning.
 - The banks of The Beck need strimming.
 - A damaged tree has fallen across The Beck near Little Paddocks.

INSURANCE: The renewal policy was refined. **Action with Came & Co.**

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FOOTPATH ACCESS : The concerns regarding access to the footpath between the Stepping Out point and Wasp's Nest are no longer an issue.

FINANCES (as of 15th June)**Balances**

Current (Treasurers) Account	£ 26,029.53*
Deposit (Bus Instant Access) Account	<u>£ 15,291.36</u>
	<u>£ 41,320.89</u>

Income:

a. Interest	£ 0.67
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(This sum was received on 11.05.20 and is included in the balance listed above)

Expenditure:

a. Dale Marriott – Fencing at Dolly's Paddock	£ 390.00
b. Village Keeper Salary: Back pay	<u>£ 87.20</u>
Total	<u>£ 477.20</u>

Awaiting Action:

Insurance - Terms of cover need clarification clarifying : £ 1,994.27

Reconciliation :**Current Account Reconciliation**

Current Account	£ 26,029.53*
Expenditure (June)**	<u>£ 3,360.61 -</u>
Working Balance	<u>£ 22,668.92</u>

** This sum is the combined expenditure for June : 1 June £2,883.41 + 15th June £477.20

Current Account (after payments)	£ 22,668.92
Deposit Account	<u>£ 15,291.36 +</u>
<u>Reconciliated Total</u>	<u>£ 37,960.28</u>

The Parish Council also curate an account holding funds allocated to preservation work on behalf of the Trout Project. The current balance is £9,300.45.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday 29th June 2020 at 7.30pm via zoom.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.