

DUNSTON with COPPENHALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 24th January 2022 at Hyde Lea & Coppenhall Village Hall.

Present; Parish Councillors-Ms C Holden[chair]-Mr J Richardson-Mr G Pliva-Mrs L Pliva-Mr D Walker.

County Councillor-Mr M Sutton; District Councillor Mr L Bates;
Mr D Jones, Clerk to the council,4 residents of the parish.

Prior to the meeting proper the residents raised the following issue;
Development in Dunston; Councillor Holden read an email received from Hugh Lufton, the agent for Rigby Estates which explained that they are still considering the position and looking at ways of moving forward with community support. She promised that residents will be kept up to date with developments.

Parking issues on School Lane; School drop off and pickup had been causing problems for some time with the road often blocked with some vehicles parked in dangerous positions and the residents would like the possibility of yellow lines considered. Councillor Sutton promised to look into this in the next financial year when funds are available.

1. Chairman welcomed those present and the meeting started at 7.30pm. There were no apologies.
2. Councillors declared interests as follows; Councillor Richardson item relating to Rigby Estates. Councillors G Pliva & Mrs L Pliva in item relating to funding for Contact magazine.
3. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4th November 2021 were accepted and signed as a true record.
4. Clerk reported actions taken following the last meeting

Damaged speed restriction sign on School Lane has been reported to Highways and acknowledged.

5. Councillor Bates;
South Staffs Council are introducing a new blue bag recycling scheme in the spring. The bag will be in addition to the blue bin and is for cardboard and paper, while glass and metal will still go into the blue bin.
South Staffs Council has also declared a climate emergency in the district and will be holding a climate change festival during 2022.
Funds are available for any local climate initiative organised by local groups and communities.
The Chief Executive will be in Acton Trussell on 17th March to meet chairman and clerks of local parish councils.

6. Councillor Sutton;

He also confirmed that funds are available for any local initiatives concerning climate change.

He explained the plan for speed reduction on Levedale Road and Whittemore Lane and asked for financial support from the parish. The council and residents present also explained that they would like any speed reduction to encompass School Lane prior to the junction with these two roads.

7. School lane flooding; Councillor Holden explained in detail the site meeting held on 17th January, the conclusion and further actions agreed

8. Financial matters;

Payment of the following invoices was approved;

South Staffs Council [wreath]	£17.00	Cheque No 0091
D M Payroll Services	£50.00	Cheque No 0092
Clerk's salary & expenses	£455.62	Cheque No 0093
PAYE	£99.40	Cheque No 0094

The precept for 2022/23 was discussed at length. It was proposed by Councillor Pliva and seconded by Councillor Richardson that a precept of £4400 be requested for the next financial year- RESOLUTION; that a precept of £4400 be requested for 2022/2023

Grant to Contact magazine. It was agreed that a grant of £250.00 be given towards the production costs .

9. Planning matters: there are no current planning applications in the parish.

10. To consider any Highways matters that need action and to review any previously reported.

Finger posts; have been made but the current position is not known. Councillor Pliva to find out.

Speed reduction on Levedale Road/ Whittemore Lane; was discussed at item 6. The council agreed a grant of £1500 towards the final cost.

Dog fouling. Councillor Holden had received a complaint from a resident of Coppenhall about dog fouling by the church.

11. Queens Platinum Jubilee; Various schemes were discussed.

Dunston village hall and residents are considering planting trees providing they can obtain landowners permission. Also, the residents of Church Close are planning a street party. New bunting will be required which the parish council agreed to pay for.

12. Correspondence; report on correspondence received since the last meeting.

The following have been received via email;

Liaison with police; Councillor Pliva and Walker agreed to represent the parish at meetings.

SPCA bulletins, weekly.

Support Staffordshire E Bulletin, monthly.

13. Next meeting is on -Thursday 3rd March 2022 at Dunston Village Hall

Meeting ended at 9.20pm