

DUNSTON with COPPENHALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 6th November 2023 at Hyde Lea & Coppenhall Village Hall.

Present; Parish Councillors; - Ms C Holden [Chair]- Mr G Pliva-Mr J Richardson-Mrs L Pliva-Mr J Bagnall
Mr S Barrow -Mr S Hodgkinson.

District Councillors; Mr A Adams.
Mr D Jones. clerk to the council -one resident of the parish.

Prior to the meeting proper the local resident raised concerns about flooding on the Whittamoor Lane /School lane junction. Councillor Richardson pointed out that he had been complaining about this problem for some time with nothing being done. After a lengthy debate it was agreed that members of the council would visit the site on Friday 11th and take matters further .

01; Chairman's welcomed those present and the meeting started at 7.30 pm.

02; Apologies received from County Councillor Mr M Sutton.

03; The following interests were declared; Councillor G Pliva and Mrs L Pliva in respect of the grant to Contact item 7B

04; Minutes of the parish council meeting held on 7th September 2023.

The minutes, having been previously circulated, were approved and signed as a true record

05; Report on matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

The proposed solar farm was discussed by the South Staffs Planning Committee on 19th September and the plans were rejected. There is a probability that the developer will appeal to the Planning Inspectorate. Many thanks to Councillor Andy Adams and Mr David Martin for there spirited presentations to the committee.

Councillor Bagnall reported that he had reported the damaged Dunston village sign on the A449 via the appropriate website but apart from a reference number nothing yet has been done.

06; Councillor Adams

Explained that flooding is a problem throughout the district and instead of sand bags gel bags are being issued as a alternative.

More clearance work has been done on the footpath through Dunston.

The Community engagement project has had a very low uptake possibly due to access being via a QR code.

07; Finance-

A; Payment of the following invoices was agreed;

G Pliva;	£31.90	Cheque No 300026
Staffordshire County Council	£1800.00	Cheque No 300027
PAYE	£115.00	Cheque No 300028
Clerks' salary & expenses-	£460.25	Cheque No 300029

B; Contact grant; after a brief discussion a grant of £250 was agreed

08 Planning;

Application 23/00624/COUM, relating to work at Dunston farm was discussed.

No objections were raised although it appears that some of the work has already been completed.

09; Correspondence; the following of note has been received since the last meeting;

Via email;

- Summary of services provided by Streetscene.
- Weekly SPCA bulletin
- Weekly Council news roundup

The next meeting will be on Thursday 11th January 2024 at Dunston Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.

Meeting ended 21.15