

DUNSTON with COPPENHALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 7th July 2025 at Hyde Lea and Coppenhall Village Hall at 7:30pm.

Minutes

Present: Parish Cllr. J. Richardson, S. Hodgkinson, S. Barrow (Chair), L. Pliva
District Cllr. A. Adams County Cllr. C. Large
Clerk to the Council; A. Fletcher

Apologies: Parish Cllr. J. Perchard (Personal)

1. Chairman's welcome: Apologies from Parish Cllr J. Perchard were received.
2. Parish Cllr. L. Pliva declared non pecuniary interest for Agenda item 5a and will not vote.
3. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th May 2025 were approved and signed by the Chair.
4. Public Open Forum:
 - a. 2 Residents of Dunston came to the meeting to update the Parish Council that they have been in contact with District Council regarding the local plan and wanted to raise concern over the planned business warehouse development in case it is part of the Local Plan. The Local Plan publication has been delayed until late Autumn 2025, so would like the Parish to keep active while we wait for the Local Plan to be published.
 - b. The previous County Councillor came to the meeting and gave thanks to the Parish Council including past and present Parish Councillors, and past and present Clerks for their support over the last 12 years as representative for the Brewood Division which includes Dunston and Coppenhall.
 - c. A resident of Dunston came to the meeting to discuss the parking on the footpath next to the layby, where HGV lorries are blocking the path overnight/long periods of time. Resident has reported this to West Midlands Police but they suggest report it to Staffordshire Police, but resident has been unable to do this online. County Cllr. C. Large recommended that the resident also report it to Highways, and he will also contact Highways as well.
5. Matters Arising from the last meeting:
 - a. Parish Councillors discussed donating to the Contact Magazine. Parish Cllr. S. Barrow proposed to donate £300 to the Contact Magazine, this was seconded by Parish Cllr. S. Hodgkinson. The Parish Council approved 3 in favour and 1 abstention.

6. District Cllr. A. Adams reported that the trees on the embankments of A449/School Lane are owned by the County Council. The drain at Well Cottage has been unblocked and that there is an email for Parish Council Consultation regarding the utilisation of the council.
County Cllr. C. Large introduced themselves to the Parish Council and public present, he is the cabinet member of finance. Also gave a report that plans are being made by District and Borough Councils regarding the Devolution.

7. Financial Matters;
- a. The following cheques were approved and signed:
 - i. ICO Cheque No 300061 £52.00
 - ii. Contact Magazine Cheque No 300062 £300

8. Planning Matters;
- a. 24/00989/FUL – No Comment
 - b. 25/40513/OUT – No Comment

9. Highway Matters;
- a. Discussed under the Councillor Reports

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

Mr E Roy would like to thank the Parish Council for their partnership with the website over the last 5 years and to wish them all well for the future.

11; Any Other Business.

Parish Cllr. J. Richardson raised the hedge on the corner of Church Close and A449 as it is blocking visibility to drivers. It was recommended that a photo to be sent to County Cllr. C. Large for them to follow up.

Meeting ended at 9:20pm

Next meeting is on Thursday 4th September 2025 at Dunston Village Hall, starting at 7.30pm

Chairman:.....

Date:.....