

Dufton Parish Council

Meeting: Parish Council Meeting **Date:** 16th August 2011

Venue: Dufton Village Hall

Present: Gillian Bryan (GB), Tony Atkin (TA), Mike Parkin (MP), John Hughes (JH),
Wendy Swinbank (WS), Sue Duncan (SD)

Apologies: Morgan Donnelly (MD)

In Attendance: Sandie Watson Clerk (SW), Dorothy Spence EDC Councillor (DS)

Members of public: 14

Minutes

Item	Key points/decisions	Action
1/08/11 Minutes	Accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman	
2/08/11 Declarations of interest	SD,JH,MP item 4 planning app Recreation Area Group. It was agreed that since they had no financial interest in the project, they should remain and join in the discussion.	
03/08/11 Broadband	David Main gave update on progress. NextGenUs (Community Interest Co) project going live in September. Promise of faster speeds. Households will be offered the option of taking up their service. Further information is available from David.	
04/08/11 Planning Applications	11/0563 Change of use to playing field with play equipment at land adjacent to car park, Dufton. The PC wish to support this application. The meeting was adjourned temporarily at this point to hear comments from members of the public. A question was asked about the mowing of the land in Grandie during the time before the lease was signed. 11/0621 Front and rear extensions to dwelling, Yew Tree Cottage, Dufton. The PC approve of the application.	SW to respond to EDC with comments. SD to contact D Coy about maintenance of the grass.
05/08/11 Outcomes of actions from the last meeting not appearing elsewhere	PAYE: contacted verbally, no tax and NI to be paid as clerks earnings fall under the threshold. Bank Mandate/change of clerk: completed. Contact list received from Highways held by clerk. Traffic monitoring strip was in place for short time. No feedback from it as yet. 11/0484 Hall Croft: completed. Litter Bin: in place. DS thanked for her support. Goal Post: MP received quote £132 per set. PC decided to proceed using unspent funds in the budget	SW to confirm in writing SW to send letter to thank Sylvia for emptying the litter bins in the past. SW to contact

	(Clerks wages). PC to monitor and move periodically to protect grass from over wearing. Enquiries to be made (K Brighurst) as to whether galvanising would be much more expensive. 9 members of the public left at this point.	Guy Heelis to request permission to place four sleeves into the village green.
06/08/11 Financial Report	Report submitted and approved by council.	
07/08/11 Payments of accounts	Approval received for Clerks wages/expenses (July to September) £226.79, CALC (Clerks training) £48.00	
08/08/11 Grass Cutting Tender	Council agreed to obtain quotes for Dufton Green 12 cuttings and 3 strims per year. Playground to be quoted for as an extra item.	SW to obtain quotes from providers JH & SW to place advert on website.
09/08/11 HoEDT	Report received from JH: Validation of membership – PC agreed JH will be the representative for Dufton PC and formally agreed to be a member of the HoEDT. £6,000 available for project feasibility studies. It was suggested that the Village Hall Committee might apply for cash for one re solar panels. Proposal to set up an Industrial and Provident Society. Deferred. Energy report – proposal to set up energy projects. Rejected. Amenity Site proposed for Appleby, HoEDT to lobby for. It was rumoured that EDC want to reduce the payments to villages for recycling. Circulation of reports – will now be sent to Clerks.	
10/08/11 EDC	Report received from DS No proposals afoot to merge CCC and EDC. A proposal was put forward to set up Penrith Town Council. Vitality of Penrith: A progress report was received by EDP concerning Pedestrian & Movement Project, A Marketing and Events Programme. Greening of Penrith Project. Some progress has been made. Re-establishment of Transformation Board – looking at ways to refresh the corporate plan and make savings.	
11/08/11 Parish Plan	SD proposed Dufton to have Parish Plan. PC agreed to research and present a plan at APM in May.	All councillors to submit suggestions for next meeting. JH/SW to put a page on Website to collect ideas and suggestions from villagers.

<p>12/08/11 Correspondence</p>	<p>Queens Jubilee SD proposed Beacon on Dufton Pike.</p> <p>The idea of doing a new “Dufton Book” was discussed with topics similar to the 1987 one.</p> <p>EALC AGM 12 Sept 2011: WS will attend.</p> <p>Dufton Ghyll entrance by Mill Becks Bridge not stock proof.</p>	<p>All Councillors to submit ideas at next meeting. GB to create list/advert for volunteers to edit book. SW to place on notice board. SW to contact Woodland Trust to attend to gateway and remove excess stones from car park.</p>
<p>13/08/11 To receive comments from members of the public</p>	<p>A question was raised concerning the renovation of the fountain on the village green? MP/SD responded that an application has been made through My Green Spaces and we are awaiting a response.</p>	
<p>14/08/11 Items for agenda and dates of next meetings</p>	<p>Dates of next meetings arranged for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Thursday 8th September 2011 Budget Issues ○ Thursday 3rd November 2011 ○ Thursday 2nd February 2012 <p>All meetings held in the village hall and now begin at 7pm.</p> <p>Queens Jubilee</p>	<p>SW to book hall</p>

Meeting closed 9.10pm