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Minutes of the Meeting of the Duddington-With-Fineshade Parish Council held at the Village Hall on Thursday 13th 2026 commencing at 7:30pm.

Present:

Mr R Holder Chairman
Mrs S Hackett
Ms S Fowler

In the absence of the Clerk, Cllr. Mrs Hackett recorded notes of the meeting.

There was one resident in attendance.

2026/054 Apologies for absence

Cllrs. Mrs Parsons, Mrs Scott, Mr Maunder Taylor, Mr S Hunt and Clerk Mr R Reed. NNC Cllr. Jon Humberstone had also sent his apologies. These were accepted.

2026/055 Declarations of interest

Nothing on agenda items

2026/056 Public Time

No issues had been raised by residents.

2026/057 Police Matters

The Clerk had received nothing from the Police.

2026/058 To approve the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on 14th May 2026

The minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on 14th May 2026, copies of which had previously been circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman. Proposed Cllr. Mr Holder and seconded by Cllr. Ms. Fowler. It was resolved that the minutes be accepted as a correct record of that meeting.

2026/059 To approve the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 14th May 2026

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2026, copies of which had previously been circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman. Proposed Cllr. Mrs. Hackett and seconded by Cllr. Ms. Fowler. It was resolved that the minutes be accepted as a correct record of that meeting.

2026/060 Matters arising

The lid is still missing from the dog waste bin but the unit has been deposited in the hedgerow at the moment due to the current street works. Cllr. Ms. Fowler will monitor the situation on completion of the works. **Action: SF**

The stone balls have been removed from the highway verge in Todd's Hill.

2026/061 Highway Issues

Street works are being carried out at the top of the village, believed to be either three phase power or fibre connection. Under the New Street Works Act, the contractors are required to reinstate the highway to it's original condition, (maybe following an initial temporary reinstatement), and clear all equipment, signs, barriers and materials from the site.

2026/062 Estate Matters

There was no report of Estate matters.

2026/063 Playground

No issues had been reported.

2026/064 To Appoint Cllr. Mrs Hackett as Climate and Nature Champion

Cllr. Mrs Hackett was confirmed as the Parish Council's Climate and Nature Champion. Proposed by Cllr. Mr Holder and seconded by Cllr. Ms. Fowler. The next meeting organised by NCALC is scheduled for 20th August 2026.

2026/065 Correspondence

As per list previously circulated to councillors.

2026/066 Planning

a) Application 26/01948/HFUL: 8 Mill Street, Duddington was considered. There were concerns over the use of uPVC windows and the type of tiles to be used. Cllr. Mrs Parsons subsequently established that the uPVC windows are to be used at the rear of the dwelling and the roof uses artificial tiles as elsewhere in the village so there are no objections. **Action.**

Clerk

Chairman

Date

b) The following applications had been considered since the last meeting, **26/01129/FUL, 26/01130/LBC and 26/01251/HFUL**, for which there were no objections.

c) There were no other planning matters.

2026/067 Finance

(i) The Clerk presented the current statement of accounts for 2026/27. Since the last meeting, receipts include £5.74 interest on the Business A/C. The current balances stood at: Community A/C £15,635.94, Business A/C £2020.01.

(ii) To receive the Budget Monitoring Report

(iii) The following invoices were presented and Cllr. Mr. R Holder proposed that payment be made and this was seconded by Cllr. Ms. S Fowler.

Retrospective

Bailey's Skip Hire £1040.00 Community skips (*Reimburse Cllr. Mrs Parsons*) Cheque No. 101164

Npower Commercial Gas Ltd Streetlight energy £12.06 Cheque No. 101165

Mrs S Parsons £110.00 Reimbursement of mowing costs) Cheque No. 101166

Anglian Water £17.53 Cemetery supply Cheque No. 101167

(iv) There was no further financial business

2026/068 Items requiring urgent attention, for information or for the nex4t agenda

Next agenda: Following a recent request to inter ashes where no associated grave exists, consideration to be given to allocating an area of the cemetery for further requests.

2026/069 Date of next meeting

Thursday 8th October 2026 commencing at 7:30pm.

There being no further urgent business the meeting closed at 8:00pm.