

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DUTTON PARISH COUNCIL
Held at Dutton Hall on Wednesday 5th February 2025

Present: Councillors E Parker (Madam Chairman), A Dugdale, J Hargreaves, P McGovern, J Myers and A H Penny,
Clerk Mrs C Penny.

2502.1. No Apologies for Absence as all councillors present

2502.2. The minutes of the meeting held on 7th January 2025 were approved by the council and signed by the madam chairman

2502.3. To consider Matters arising from the Minutes

- a) **2501.8. New Noticeboard.** Cllr Myers reported that they had had great difficulty positioning the noticeboard due to the rough and hard surface of the ground near the bus shelter. It was agreed that the noticeboard should be positioned close to the approved position but where the ground is suitable.
- b) **2501.7 Ribchester Bridge** Cllrs P McGovern and J Hargreaves had attended the meeting with Cty Cllr Swarbrick, and the officer from LCC Matt Hargreaves, also Caroline McCartney. Whilst agreeing that the bridge was dangerous for pedestrians the only solution would be to build a footbridge and there is no money for that. They are looking at changing the chevrons and possibly moving the speed restrictions, but no decisions were made. (Following the meeting the bridge was hit again - see correspondence for email from Cty Cllr Rupert Swarbrick). The clerk to follow up on this and subsequent email to see if any proposals

2502.4. Planning Applications

No new applications

2502.5. Reports from other organisations

There were no new reports

2502.6. Finance

No new activity on the accounts. Internet banking has not yet been implemented.

2502.7 Correspondence

- a) email from Cty Cllr Rupert Swarbrick 21/01/25 also re 2501.7.
to update you about the damage to the bridge on Sunday.

- The driver did a runner but we have the registration details.
- Barriers and traffic signals have been placed on site. Ops are jumping straight on it so we don't have lights on there for months. (extracted straight from an update from the bridges team)

The meeting with Matt Hargreaves on 9th went well and I'm expecting feedback/a proposal from him anytime. Clerk to follow up and mention that traffic lights are potentially dangerous themselves as they are two way but there are 4 entrances to the bridge, two being blind to the colour of the lights.

2502.8. To consider any other matters brought to the meeting

No other matters were brought to the meeting

2502.9 Date & Time of next Meeting was arranged for **Tuesday 1st April at 7.00pm at Dutton Hall, Gallows Lane PR3 3XX**