

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DUTTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Held at Dutton Hall on Wednesday 30th October 2024**

**Present: Councillors** E Parker (Madame Chairman), J Hargreaves, A H Penny,  
P McGovern Clerk Mrs C Penny. A member of the Parish, Caroline McCartney also attended.

**2410.1. Apologies for Absence** Cllr A Dugdale

**2410.2. The minutes of meeting held on 25th September 2024** were confirmed by the council and signed by the Chairman

**2410.3. To consider Matters arising from the Minutes**

- **2409.7.a** email from Caroline McCartney re De Tabley Bridge safety. Ms McCartney was invited to speak by the Chairman: She showed photos of a number of cars which had crashed on the bridge and advised that she and her father have been in contact with LCC regarding the number of times cars now hit the bridge. The matter was discussed and the clerk asked to write to contact Cty Cllr Swarbrick, see if neighbouring parishes want to get involved. Issues:
- It is frequently being hit and repaired, only to be hit again within days sometimes
- The amount of traffic using it has increased enormously in the last few years - ? extra housing in Longridge
- In spite of size restrictions on some of the roads around, large and heavy vehicles are using it.
- There is a speed derestriction sign within about 100 yards of the bridge on the Dutton side. Those who are not aware of the right angle turn accelerate into it!
- The parapet on the way onto the bridge has been re-built at a lower height and a car or person could be knocked right over it. They could be in the river and nobody might realise.
- It is extremely dangerous for pedestrians and people do walk along the river bank and locals who want to cross are frightened to do so.

**2410.4. Planning Applications**

No new applications

**2410.5. Reports from other organisations**

No reports

**2410.6. Finance**

Bank interest rate reducing on savings account

**2410.7 Correspondence**

No correspondence pertaining to Dutton

**2410.8. Website**

a) Photographs of other councillors needed. Thank you to those who have supplied them.

**2410.9. To consider any other matters brought to the meeting**

- a) The footpath between S. end of Gallows Lane and Ribchester Arms not usable condition
- b) Large lorries are using Gallows Lane

**2410.10. Date and time of next meeting. Wednesday 27th November at 7pm at Dutton Hall, PR3 3X**