

# Scaldwell Parish Council

## Annual Parish Meeting

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held Wednesday 15 May 2013  
at 7.15pm in the Village Hall, School Lane, Scaldwell.

**Present:** Councillors      Mrs P Long (Chairman)  
   Mrs M Vinton (Vice-Chairman)  
   Mrs A Curtis  
   Mrs J Lewis  
   Mr E O'Leary  
   Mrs J Randall

**1. Apologies for Absence**

None.

**2. Confirmation of the Minutes from the Annual Parish Meeting of Scaldwell held on 9 May 2012**

The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

**3. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

There were no matters arising.

**4. Report from the Chairman of Scaldwell Parish Council**

The report was included with the Parish Council's Annual Report. The report had been previously circulated to Councillors and copies were available at the meeting. The Clerk read the report to the meeting. The report covered the parish council activities for the year, with particular reference to highways, grass mowing, trees, the playing field, the Parish Council website and finance. The Chairman thanked all her fellow Councillors and the Clerk for their contribution. Thanks were also given to the Footpath Warden, Diane Kimbell, the Tree Warden, Dylan Lewis, the Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator, Sue Dodds-Smith and all those involved with the playing field.

**5. Parish Council accounts for 2012/13**

The accounts were included within the Parish Council's Annual Report. The report had been previously circulated to Councillors and copies were available at the meeting. The Chairman spoke of the receipt of the grants for the playing fields which inflated income and expenditure for the year. Grass cutting was also mentioned as payments were lower than expected due to the poor weather conditions restricting the number of cuts.

**6. Reports from Village Organisations**

**Thomas Roe Charity.** No written report had been submitted. The Chairman reported the charity meet twice a year, with approximately £1,000 a year being presented to Scaldwell.

**Scaldwell Relief in Need Charity.** A report had been submitted and previously circulated to all Councillors. The usual grant was made to the Senior Citizens in December 2012 and the charity paid for the annual Bread Service.

**Scaldwell Parish Trust.** A report had been submitted and previously circulated to all Councillors. The Trustees made a grant to the PCC towards the upkeep of the churchyard and repairs to the church building, to the Clerk

for stationary expenses and to Scaldwell Club towards the cost of the Senior Citizens' Christmas Dinner.

**Village Hall Management Committee.** A report had been submitted and previously circulated to all Councillors. The committee have been working towards replenishing the reserves following significant expenditure in previous years to improve the hall and also working towards filling the hall with bookings for all evenings. The funds are reported to be in a reasonable state.

**Parochial Church Council.** A report had been submitted and previously circulated to all Councillors. The report referred to the additional church services during the year, the advantages of the new servery, the revamped Christmas Eve carol service, the early morning Easter Sunday service, the biannual Art Exhibition and Open Garden Weekend, and an update regarding the fabric of the church and repairs required to the church boundary wall.

**Friends of the Playing Fields.** A report had been submitted and previously circulated to all Councillors. The group now has 16 volunteer members, all of whom are on the helping rota. 2 members have attended a play equipment course to assist with the weekly inspections. New members are welcomed.

**Scaldwell Club.** A report had been submitted and previously circulated to all Councillors. The club held various successful events during the year. Trade was reported as steady and the club remains in a healthy condition.

**Neighbourhood Watch.** A report had been submitted and previously circulated to all Councillors. The meeting had been advised of Neighbourhood Watch continuing to successfully function in the village.

**Reports also invited from Scaldwell Charity and Scaldwell Tennis.**

**Cllr Randall reported on behalf of the Footpath Warden, Diane Kimbell.** General disillusion was expressed, with the footpath network often felt to be overlooked. The kissing gate proposal at Oak Farm is on-going. The reported rotten stile post is awaiting repair by contractors. There were no new footpath issues arising to be reported to the meeting.

**7. Comments from electors present of matters concerning the Parish of Scaldwell.** No electors present.

The meeting closed at 7.40pm.