

## SCALDWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Parish Council  
held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2012  
in Scaldwell Village Hall at 8.00pm

**Present:** Mrs P Long (Chairman)  
Mrs A Curtis  
Mrs J Lewis  
Mrs J Randell

**In attendance:** Mr J Harris (Clerk)  
One villager

### **12/066 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Mrs M Vinton (Vice-Chairman), Mr M Alcock & Mr E O'Leary; also from Mr C Millar (County Councillor), Mrs E Wiig & Mr N Bunting (District Councillors). (Clerk to clarify 6 month attendance rule with NCALC following a query at their Councillor training course.)

### **12/067 Declaration of Interest**

None.

### **12/068 Comments or questions from parishioners**

None.

### **12/069 To approve and sign the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2012**

The minutes were approved and signed.

### **12/070 Matters arising from the Minutes (for information only)**

These were covered in the various agenda items.

### **12/071 Planning Applications**

For consideration:

#### **a) DA/2012/0437 Proposed single storey rear extension and detached garage. The Hollies, High Street, Scaldwell**

The following response was sent to DDC:

Scaldwell Parish Council approves of this application.

Reason: as it is of a modest scale, a suitable design and mostly out of sight from the main road and neighbours, the council considers this to be an acceptable proposal.

For information:

**b) DA/2011/0936 Formation of vehicular access. 2 Old Road, Scaldwell.** Awaiting decision.

**c) DA/2012/0209 Work to and removal of trees in a Conservation Area. Peters Green, Back Lane, Scaldwell.** DDC approved 8/5/12

**d) DA/2012/0224 Agricultural workers temporary mobile home and agricultural building. Mill Hill Farm, Old Road, Scaldwell.** DDC approved 23/5/12

**e) DA/2012/0234 Work to tree in a Conservation Area. Home Farmhouse, The Green, Scaldwell.** DDC approved 8/5/12

- f) DA/2012/0235 Work to tree in a Conservation Area. Three Steps House, High Street, Scaldwell.** DDC approved 8/5/12
- g) DA/2012/0236 Work to and removal of trees in a Conservation Area. The Grange, High Street, Scaldwell.** DDC approved 8/5/12
- h) DA/2012/0338 Retention of existing landfill gas utilisation compound (retrospective) Gas Utilisation Compound, Off Scaldwell Road, Brixworth.** DDC no objection 25/5/12
- i) DA/2012/0370 Outline application for residential development of 150 houses and bungalows, play area, associated public open space, landscaping, car park for retained allotments, extension to allotments and new vehicular and pedestrian accesses. Land to east of Northampton Road, Brixworth.** Scaldwell PC objected 16/6/12

### **12/072 Playing Field**

#### **a) Weekly inspection reports**

Weekly inspections have been undertaken by Mr E O’Leary; he has also offered to continue the inspections until the next meeting.

#### **b) Update on QEII Deed of Dedication requirements**

The Clerk is in the process of arranging the necessary requirements, following the Deed of Dedication, with Land Registry.

#### **c) Any other playing field matters**

None mentioned.

### **12/073 Highways**

#### **Report on highways issues raised since the last meeting**

Concerns over cars driving too fast passed the Green and up the High Street; some mount the kerb to avoid oncoming traffic. (Clerk to mention to Police)

The Willow at the top of Back Lane (reported to Street Doctor following item 12/062) has been drilled into. (Clerk to check what action was taken following the report to Street Doctor).

### **12/074 Financial matters - general**

#### **a) Monthly accounts to 1 June 2012**

The monthly accounts were circulated to Councillors before the meeting together with a bank reconciliation.

#### **b) Money received:**

**i) Groundwork UK – playing field grant £5049.75** Received 15/5/12

#### **c) Update on External Audit**

The Clerk reported on the correspondence with the External Auditor; additional information has been requested (and submitted) regarding the Assets Register and the playing field expenditure.

### **12/075 Financial Matters - the following payments were approved**

Proforme UK Ltd	Playing Field Marquee	£1052.92	Paid 9/5/12	Chq 709
Site Welfare Company Ltd	Playing field toilet hire	£91.20	Paid 20/5/12	Chq 710
Northants CALC	Councillor training	£58.00	Paid 20/5/12	Chq 711
Wicksteed Leisure Ltd.	Playing field equipment	£1465.55	Paid 20/5/12	Chq 713
Super Sausage Café	Playing field (cake for opening event)	£35.00	Paid 20/5/12	Chq 714

J Harris	Clerk's expenses 21/3/12 to 31/5/12 (including copying Annual Report)	£52.08	Paid 11/7/12	Chq 715
Scaldwell Decorating Services	Bus shelter cleaning	£210.00	Paid 11/7/12	Chq 716
Forever Green	Grass cutting in May 2012	£340.00	Paid 11/7/12	Chq717
Smith of Derby	Church clock annual service	£234.00	Paid 11/7/12	Chq 718
Land Registry	Restriction and Agreed Notice entries for Playing Field Fields in Trust Deed of Dedication	£50.00	Paid 11/7/12	Chq 719

The Clerk advised the council that due to the council not being the organisers of the playing field event it was not eligible to reclaim the VAT on the invoice from the Site Welfare Company Ltd.

#### **12/075 Code of Conduct**

##### **a) To adopt the new Code of Conduct** (same Code as Daventry District Council)

It was agreed to adopt the same Code of Conduct as Daventry District Council.

##### **b) Update on requirement for Councillors' to complete a new Register of Interests**

The Clerk will forward the new forms to councillors as soon as they are received from Daventry DC.

#### **12/076 Village Greens**

##### **i) Review of grass cutting**

It was agreed to get at least three quotes for the 2013 grass cutting season (Blades, Green Glades of Moulton will be contacted as well as the current contractor; in addition Scaldwell Scaffolding will be asked who cuts their grass).

##### **ii) To consider work to clear paths across green**

The Kimbells will be contacted for a quote.

##### **iii) Condition of Peters Green 'patch'**

The Council has received several complaints about this; the Clerk will write to the owner.

#### **12/077 Vacancy for Clerk**

The Clerk will be stepping down on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2012. Vacancy information will be put in the village newsletter, sent to NCALC and SLCC Northants branch.

#### **12/078 Correspondence:**

##### **a) Brixworth PC – Parish Councillor Allowances / expenses – response sent.**

##### **b) Correspondence for information only**

#### **12/079 Councillors' reports**

Bottom of lime trees along green need cutting back (Clerk to ask Forever Green)

Benches by wall on green – Mrs A Curtis will ask the Playing Field group about moving these to the playing field.

Street lights – these have been reported for a third time to e.on this week (High Street & outside church), plus the quote requested for a new light on West End.

Flyposting on telegraph poles – agreed posters on the poles should be taken down.  
CPRE & NCALC meetings – positive feedback was given from Mrs A Curtis and Mrs J Lewis about the meetings they attended. Some councillors will be attending the Planning training session at Daventry DC on 18<sup>th</sup> July.

**12/080 Items for the next agenda**

Appointing Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators and street contacts.

**12/081 Items for newsletter**

The Mobile Library service is stopping coming to Scaldwell from 1<sup>st</sup> August.

Thanks to whoever cut the grass around the dog bin on Holcot Lane.

Neighbourhood Watch – request for co-ordinator, deputy co-ordinator or street contacts.

Vacancy for Clerk.

**12/082 Date of next meeting**

Next Statutory Meeting of the Parish Council – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2012 at 7.30pm.

Following meeting – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2012 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 10.00pm.