

SCALDWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 5th May 2010 in Scaldwell Village Hall at 7.00pm

Present: Mrs P Long (Chairman)
Mrs M Vinton (Vice-Chairman)
Mr M Alcock
Mrs A Coward
Mrs J Randell
Mr A Tait
Mr F Wiig

In attendance: Mr J Harris (Clerk)
Six villagers

10/057 To elect a Chairman

Mrs P Long was unanimously elected as Chairman; proposed by Mr F Wiig, seconded by Mrs M Vinton. The Chairman signed the 'Declaration of Acceptance of Office' form.

10/058 To elect a Vice-Chairman

Mrs M Vinton was unanimously elected as Vice-Chairman; proposed by Mr F Wiig, seconded by Mr M Alcock.

10/059 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Mr C Millar (County Councillor) and Mr N Bunting & Mrs E Wiig (District Councillors).

10/060 Opportunity to update Register of Interests

The Clerk has new forms if required.

10/061 Declaration of Interest

Mrs J Randell - item 10/073 - member of PCC; did not participate in the decisions relating to this item.

Mr F Wiig - member of Daventry District Council and Chairman of DDC Planning Committee; did not participate in the decisions relating to planning applications.

10/062 Comments or questions from parishioners

Concerns were raised about access to the field at the end of East End for dog walkers and the elderly due to the condition of the stile. It was also requested that guidance be given to villagers in a newsletter on walking dogs through fields of sheep or cows.

10/063 To approve and sign the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Parish Council held on 17th March 2010

The minutes were approved and signed.

10/064 Matters arising from the Minutes (for information only)

These were covered in the various agenda items.

10/065 To appoint Parish Council representatives for other organisations and approve responsibilities

These were delegated as follows:

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| a) Foundation of Thomas Roe | Mrs P Long & Mrs M Vinton |
| b) Scaldwell Relief in Need Charity | Mrs P Long & Mrs M Vinton |
| c) Scaldwell Parish Trust | Mrs P Long & Mrs M Vinton |
| d) Playing Field Community Group | Mrs J Randell |
| e) Village Hall Management Committee | Mr F Wiig |
| f) Snow Warden | Mr M Alcock |
| g) Footpath Warden | Mrs D Kimbell |
| h) Tree Warden | Mr D Lewis |
| i) Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator | Mr M Alcock |

10/066 Planning Applications

For consideration:

a) DA/2010/0305 Removal of tree in a Conservation Area. Sundial House, High Street, Scaldwell

The following comment was sent to DDC: if the tree is to be removed the Parish Council would like to see it be replaced with a more suitable tree in a similar place.

b) Concerns raised by Old Parish re. DA/2009/0483 All weather practice area, Old Road

Mr F Wiig offered to look into this.

For information:

c) DA/2010/0099 Two storey extension to front of dwelling, The Old Coach House, High Street, Scaldwell DDC refused 19/3/10

10/067 Playing Field

a) Weekly & annual inspection reports

These were discussed. Concerns were raised about cars parking in the entrance again and mole hills on the field.

b) To consider removing Timber Activity Frame

Following the recommendation in the Annual Inspection report it was agreed to remove the Timber Activity Frame. (Action - Mr M Alcock)

c) Update on transfer of ownership of playing field and its entrance

Confirmation of the transfer is imminent. The condition of the entrance was discussed.

d) To consider request to rent car parking space at playing field entrance

This will be considered once the transfer is complete.

10/068 Highways

a) Update on Speedwatch scheme for 2010

Details have been included in the Annual Report and on the PC website.

b) Report on highways issues raised since the last meeting

The PC has had correspondence with MGWSP and Street Doctor requesting the resurfacing of Mill Lane.

c) Litter problem on Holcot Lane

This was noted and it was suggested that any sign of youths hanging around the tennis

courts late at night should be reported to the Police again.

10/069 Financial matters - general

a) Internal Audit report

This was presented to the Council. The only matter arising was the level of Fidelity Guarantee which was discussed at the meeting in March (item 10/044).

b) To approve the annual accounts to 31st March 2010

These were approved and signed.

c) To approve the assets register for assets held on 31st March 2010

Having previously been circulated to Councillors this was approved and signed.

d) To approve and sign the Annual Return for the year ended 31st March 2010:

Statement of Accounts and Annual Governance Statement

These were approved and signed.

e) Money received: Precept for 2009/10 - first installment - £5625 Received 25/4/10

10/070 Financial Matters - the following payments were approved

e.on	Street lighting maintenance	£69.71	Paid 17/3/10	Chq 605
Blades	March grass mowing	£152.18	Paid 8/4/10	Chq 606
Wicksteed Leisure	Annual playing field inspection	£52.88	Paid 8/4/10	Chq 607
Carter, Slater & Co.	Playing field transfer legal fees	£1085.06	Paid 24/4/10	Chq 608
Aon Limited	Annual Insurance	£662.87	Paid 5/5/10	Chq 609
NCALC	Power of Well Being training	£81.00	Paid 5/5/10	Chq 610
NCALC	Membership subscription	£102.85	Paid 5/5/10	Chq 610
NCALC	Internal Audit Service to 31/3/11	£140.31	Paid 5/5/10	Chq 610
NCALC	LCR (Local Council Review magazine)	£13.50	Paid 5/5/10	Chq 610
e.on	Street lighting quarterly charge	£186.40	Paid 5/5/10	Chq 611

Weedwise	Playing field spray nettles	£264.37	Paid 5/5/10	Chq 612
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10/071 Resolution: to confirm Scaldwell Parish Council has satisfied the prescribed statutory criteria to qualify as an eligible parish council to exercise the Power of Well Being

Proposed by the Chairman. Seconded by the Vice-Chairman. Approved.

10/072 To adopt the new Model Standing Orders for Local Councils

Proposed by F Wiig. Seconded by J Randell. Agreed. A copy will be put on the website.

10/073 To consider request from PCC for funding towards a toilet and servery in the church

Resolution: to offer the PCC £250 and review funding requirements in time for considering 2011/12 budget. Proposed by F Wiig Seconded by M Vinton. Approved.

(Action - Clerk to contact PCC)

10/074 Update on clock

Smith of Derby came out in April but have been requested to come out again as the clock stopped again within a few hours of their visit.

10/075 To consider a suitable commemoration for the 60th anniversary of Scaldwell Parish Council (6th July 2010)

The anniversary will be mentioned in the village newsletter.

10/076 Update on signs for village hall and playing field

Quotes from Abbott signs still to be obtained. (Action - Mr M Alcock)

10/077 Correspondence:

a) Correspondence for information only (list available on request)

10/078 Councillors' reports

None.

10/079 Items for the next agenda

To consider request to rent car parking space at playing field entrance

10/080 Date of next meeting

Next Statutory meeting - Wednesday 7th July at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.