

## SCALDWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Parish Council  
held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2009  
in Scaldwell Village Hall at 7.30pm

**Present:** Mrs P Long (Chairman)  
Mr M Alcock  
Mrs A Coward  
Mrs J Randell

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

### **09/122 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Mrs M Vinton, Mr A Tait and Mr F Wiig; also from Mr N Bunting and Mrs E Wiig (District Councillors).

### **09/123 Declaration of Interest**

None.

### **09/124 To approve and sign the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Parish Council held on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2009**

The minutes were approved and signed.

### **09/125 To approve and sign the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2009**

The minutes were approved and signed.

### **09/126 To approve and sign the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2009**

The minutes were approved and signed.

### **09/127 Matters arising from the Minutes (for information only)**

These were covered in the various agenda items.

### **09/128 Planning Applications**

For information:

**a) DA/2009/0168 Harrington Wind Farm Supplementary Environmental Information** Original PC response has been resubmitted to DDC.

### **09/129 Playing Field**

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

These will be continued by Mr A Tait. Mr M Alcock will put up the new fence posts as soon as the ground is suitable.

**b) Update on funding applications and plans from Playing Field Community Group**  
Report received from the Community Group. Funding for playing field maintenance and equipment will be budgeted for (see item 09/133). Clerk to contact the group to acknowledge their hard work, remind them about the Northamptonshire Community Foundation funding and remind them that the money set aside in the budget will include maintenance costs (except grass cutting).

**c) To consider condition & future of timber frame play equipment**

Councillors will check the condition of this themselves and can report at the next meeting.

**d) Update on transfer of ownership of playing field and its entrance**

Currently with the solicitors but completion should take place in the next few weeks.

**09/130 Highways**

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

Steve Barber at NCC to be contacted again re. Scaldwell's inclusion in the Temporary Vehicle Activated Sign Scheme.

**09/131 Financial matters - general**

**a) Monthly accounts to 31 October 2009**

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

**b) Money received:**

i) Daventry DC - second installment of precept - £5500.00 Received 25/9/09

ii) Bank Interest to 1/10/09 - £2.57 Received 25/9/09

**c) To approve amendment to Clerk salary following NJC pay agreement; to increase standing order for Clerk's pay to £188.88pm (salary scale SCP 21)**

This was approved.

**09/132 Financial Matters - the following payments were approved**

Blades	Verge cutting in October'09	£60.35	Paid 25/11	Chq 592
Northamptonshire ACRE	Annual Supporter package	£34.00	Paid 25/11	Chq 593
Brixworth Travel Club	Annual Donation	£26.00	Paid 25/11	Chq 598
BDO Stoy Hayward	External Audit Fee***	£155.25	Paid 25/11	Chq 594
J Harris	Clerk's expenses 1/7/09 to 15/11/09	£50.41	Paid 25/11	Chq 595
J Harris	Clerk's backdated pay 1/4/09 to 31/12/09	£21.69	Paid 25/11	Chq 596

\*\*\* reissued cheque as original cheque presumed lost in post

**09/133 To set and approve the budget for 2010/11 and agree the precept request for 2010/11**

The following budget for 2010/11 was approved and a precept of £11,250 was agreed.

Proposed by Mrs A Coward. Seconded by Mrs J Randell. Details will be included in the next village newsletter. (Action - Clerk)

<b>Item</b>	<b>Budgeted figure 2010/11 (£)</b>
Grass cutting / greens upkeep	3200
Annual Audit	320
Insurance	650
Street lighting - electricity supply	750
Street lighting - maintenance	260
Hire of hall for meetings	110
Clerk's salary	2500
Training fees / Clerk expenses	400
Annual subscription to organisations	250
Playing Field - annual inspection	60
Playing Field - equipment / maintenance	4000
Election costs	520
Section 137	300
General reserves	800
Parish Clock	400
Street lamp fund	300
<b>Total</b>	<b>14820</b>

Funded by:

Grass cutting allowance	315
Interest	15
Precept	11250
Capital reserves	3240
<b>Total</b>	<b>14820</b>

#### **09/134 Update on repairs and service to the Church Clock**

It was agreed to not pay invoice for the work to the clock until the repairs are completed and it is running properly again.

**09/135 Update on signs for village hall**

Clerk to ask MGWSP again about this and also obtain quotes from companies such as Abbott signs and Signs of the Times. (Action - Clerk)

**09/136 Update on progress towards becoming eligible to use the Power of Well Being**

Six Councillors need to attend the training; two have already done so. The Clerk has submitted the extra module for CiLCA. When four more councillors have attended the Power of Well Being training, the Council should soon after become eligible to use the power.

**09/137 To approve the Community Engagement Statement of Intent for Scaldwell Parish Council**

This was approved. The Welcome Pack will be updated and passed onto Mrs J Randell for distribution to newcomers to Scaldwell. (Action - Clerk)

**09/138 To approve the Training Statement of Intent for Scaldwell Parish Council**

This was approved.

**09/139 Correspondence:**

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

**09/140 Councillors' reports**

Concerns raised by villagers over late night opening in the Club will be passed onto the VHMC and Scaldwell Club. (Action - Chairman)

**09/142 Items for the next agenda**

To consider condition & future of timber frame play equipment.

To update the Terms & Conditions within the Clerk's contract.

**09/143 Date of next meeting**

Next statutory meeting - Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2010 at 7.30pm in the village hall.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm.