

SCALDWELL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 16TH DECEMBER 2020 MINUTES

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Minutes of the Scaldwell Parish Council Meeting Held on **Wednesday 16th December 2020 at 7.30pm** Online via Zoom

Present: Cllrs E O’Leary (Chairman), D Cross (Vice Chairman), M Vinton, D Masterson Jones and P Long.

In attendance: Katrina Jones (Clerk), Kevin Parker (District Councillor), Jonathan Harris (District Councillor) and five members of the public.

Absent: Cllrs R Wilson and E Amirak.

20/168	To receive apologies and to approve reasons for absence: No apologies received.
20/169	To receive any dispensations or declarations of interest under the Council’s Code of Conduct related to business items on the agenda: None.
20/170	To resolve that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 18th November 2020 are a true and accurate record, and then signed by the chairman: It was RESOLVED to confirm the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18th November 2020 as a true and accurate record and they were duly signed by the Chairman.
20/171	Public address A member of the public spoke regarding item 20/178 to express concerns regarding traffic mounting the pavement.
20/172	To consider correspondence regarding Lampport Hall woodland management plan: It was RESOLVED that the clerk would invite a representative to attend the next parish council meeting to discuss the proposals.
20/173	<p>PLANNING –</p> <p>i. Application No: DA/2020/1064</p> <p>Description: Work to tree within a conservation area</p> <p>Location: Leycroft, Holcot Lane, Scaldwell, Northamptonshire, NN6 9JR</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that there was no objection to this application.</p> <p>ii. Update on DA/2019/1037: shepherd huts: Cllr Cross reported on his attendance at the planning committee meeting at which he spoke on behalf of the parish council regarding this application. He reported that the</p>

	<p>application had been approved with conditions regarding noise. He thanked District Cllrs Parker and Harris for their support. Cllr Cross was thanked by the parish council.</p> <p>iii. DA/2017/0710: concerns raised by parish residents: It was RESOLVED that the clerk would contact the planning enforcement officers at Daventry District Council to report the concerns raised by residents.</p>
20/174	To consider community transport scheme: This item was deferred until the next meeting when a member of the public was expected to attend to speak about this matter.
20/175	To approve clerk's request for annual leave over Christmas: It was RESOLVED to approve the clerk's request for annual leave from Friday 18 th December 2020 to Monday 4 th January 2021.
20/176	To note external audit report: The external audit report was noted and it was RESOLVED that the relevant actions would be taken ahead of the next audit.
20/177	To consider correspondence regarding conservation review and consultation: It was noted that an officer from Daventry District Council would be in attendance at the next meeting to discuss this item which will be on the next agenda.
20/178	To consider highway issues and agree any actions such as: instructing an independent consultant; the installation of bollards; speed display signs – working party to obtain quotes and agree equipment; s50 licence application: It was RESOLVED that a working party, made up of councilors and members of the public, would be formed to explore, consult on and implement road safety measures such as speed display signs and that a notice would be included in the village newsletter seeking volunteers.
20/179	To agree any action and expenditure regarding village well project: It was RESOLVED to approve the investigative work on the well project and that an additional £500 would be added to the budget for this project.
20/180	To consider concerns raised regarding bonfires in parish: It was RESOLVED that the clerk would contact the resident who had complained via the village website and provide the relevant details on what is permissible and contact details for how to complain to Daventry District Council if it constitutes a nuisance.
20/181	<p>Parish Assets</p> <p>a) Playing Field Report and Working Party Updates</p> <p>i. To receive an update from the Playing Field Working Party and agree actions accordingly: Cllr O'Leary report that the play area inspections continued to be carried out weekly and had agreed to continue carrying out the inspections until another member of the parish council was appointed as the Playing Field Representative at the next meeting. He also reported on the repair work carried out by Wicksteed and plans for crowdfunding to raise money for the play area. He also asked that additional money be included in next year's budget for the play area.</p> <p>b) Kiosk and Defibrillator</p> <p>i. Update of project: Cllr Cross reported that regular inspection reports needed to be submitted to the Community Heartbeat Trust and Cllrs Long and Masterson-Jones volunteered to learn how to carry out the inspections also. It was agreed that Cllr Vinton would ask the contractor painting the kiosk to obtain and fit a pane of glass to replace the broken pane.</p> <p>c) Village Green and grass maintenance works</p> <p>i. Update and Discuss any further works: It was noted that the grass cutting contract may be due to go out to tender ahead of the next mowing season. It was agreed that the clerk and Cllr Cross would check on this.</p>

d) **Tree Management**

- i. **Update:** Recent tree work was discussed where it was not known if an application had been made to DDC for permission. Cllr Vinton offered to identify the property concerned so this could be followed up.

e) **Highways and Grit Bins**

- i. **Update:** It was noted that the parish council were unsure if any grit bins were owned by the parish council and if bins would be filled by the county council. It was agreed that the clerk would check.

- f) **Well Project update:** There was nothing further to the item discussed at 20/179.

g) **Email addresses**

- i. **To receive update on dedicated parish council email addresses:** The clerk reported that the email provider had advised that the email accounts do work on iPads and they offered to assist with any problems on a case by case basis. Cllr Cross offered to assist Cllr Vinton in setting up the new email address on her iPad.

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Finance & Administration

- a) To report bank balances

Current Account	500.00
Savings Account (30 th November 2020)	22497.70

- b) To note receipts

Interest (2.11.2020)	0.20
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- c) To authorise Payments (two Cllrs to sign cheques) as per below:

Payee	Purpose	VAT £	Cost £	Total Amount £
Northants CALC	'Off to A Flying Start' Training Course for Cllr Masterson-Jones and Cllr Wilson	0.00	88.00	88.00
Welford Christmas Tree Farm	Christmas Tree, sleeve and lights	64.62	323.10	387.72
Katrina Jones	Clerk Salary (December payroll)	0.00	286.60	286.60
HMRC	PAYE for Katrina Jones (December payroll)	0.00	71.80	71.80
Katrina Jones	Reimbursement for book of 2 nd class stamps	1.50	7.50	9.00
Northamptonshire County Council	Section 50 licence for speed signs	0.00	321.00	321.00
Wicksteed	Play area repairs	176.40	882.00	1,058.40

It was **RESOLVED** to approve all of the above payments.

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To agree Parish Council meeting dates for 2021 and raise any items for inclusion on the next agenda: It was **RESOLVED** that the meeting dates in 2021 would continue to be at 7.30pm on the third Wednesday of each month which are as follows: 20th January, 17th February, 17th March, 21st April, 19th May, 16th June, 21st July,

	18 th August, 15 th September, 20 th October, 17 th November and 15 th December 2021.
20/184	CLOSE: The meeting was closed at 8.59pm. At the end of the meeting the Chairman, Cllr O’Leary, announced his resignation from the parish council, to take effect following the end of the meeting, and was thanked for his service by the parish council and those present.