

# SCALDWELL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

## 18<sup>th</sup> August 2021

### MINUTES

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**Minutes of the Scaldwell Parish Council Meeting**  
Held on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at 7.30pm**  
at Scaldwell Village Hall

**Present:** Cllrs D Cross (Chairman), D Masterson-Jones (Vice-Chairman), P Long, J Monk and M Vinton.

**In attendance:** Katrina Jones (Clerk), West Northants Council Cllrs Jonathan Harris and Kevin Parker, Rob Thorne (who was co-opted during the meeting) and 3 members of the public.

51.	<b>To receive apologies and to approve reasons for absence:</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to accept apologies from Cllr Joyner.
52.	<b>To receive any dispensations or declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business items on the agenda:</b> None.
53.	<b>To confirm minutes of meetings:</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to confirm the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2021 as a true and accurate record and they were duly signed by the Chairman.
54.	<b>Public address:</b> A member of the public brought to the council's attention that a branch had fallen from a blue cedar tree on the village green.
55.	<b>To fill vacancy by co-option:</b> It was unanimously <b>RESOLVED</b> to co-opt Rob Thorne who signed the declaration of acceptance of office form.
56.	<b>To appoint Police Liaison Representative:</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to appoint Cllr Long as the police liaison representative.
57.	<b>To discuss the public footpaths around the village:</b> Cllr Long highlighted the need for more way markers and her concern regarding the safety of a hole caused by badgers on a public footpath crossing her land. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the clerk would follow up the previous request for way markers and find a point of contact to ask about the hole. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that Cllr Long would speak to Lamport Estate about the possibility of installing posts for way markers.
58.	<b>To receive speed sign update:</b> The Clerk provided an update and reported that the s50 licence had been obtained and a grant application submitted to the police commissioner's office for funding.
59.	<b>To consider lighting a Diamond Jubilee Beacon:</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that Cllr Cross would ask the Scaldwell Club if they would be interested the possibility of marking the diamond jubilee with a beacon.
60.	<b>To consider views and agree actions regarding conservation area review i.e list of buildings (article 4):</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the parish councilors would meet on the village green at 10am on Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> August to walk around the village and consider which buildings to include on a list where an article 4 direction might be requested as part of the conservation area review. Unitary Councillor Jonathan Harris agreed to find out if a date had been set for Scaldwell's conservation area review.
61.	<b>To consider issue with gate to playing field parking area and parking at night:</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that Cllr

	Monk would speak to the playing field committee and advise that the parish council should be consulted before deciding whether to close the gates to the playing field.
62.	<p><b>PLANNING –</b></p> <p><b>Application No:</b> WND/2021/0121 (Amended)</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Replacement front porch. Removal of existing flat roof and replace with pitched roof. Single storey side, front and rear extensions and first floor extension above garage and replacement windows.</p> <p><b>Location:</b> The Hermitage, Old Road, Scaldwell, Northamptonshire, NN6 9JZ</p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that there were no comments to the above application.</p>
63.	<p><b>Parish Assets</b></p> <p>a) <b>Playing Field Report and Working Party Updates</b></p> <p>i. <b>To receive an update from the Playing Field Working Party and agree actions accordingly:</b>  Cllr Monk provided an update and reported that she had attended the annual play area inspection. A copy of the inspector’s report had been circulated ahead of the meeting and it was noted that all items were low risk except for the surface around the roundabout which was in need of repair and marked as a moderate risk. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the clerk would obtain quotes for the repair work to be considered at the next meeting. It was also <b>RESOLVED</b> that Cllr Monk would present a proposal for upgrading the play area to the council to be considered at the next meeting so that a plan of action could be decided and funds could be sought and allocated accordingly.  An update was also provided on the placement of the new shed on the playing field and the proposed location was agreed.</p> <p>b) <b>Kiosk and Defibrillator</b></p> <p>i. <b>Update of project and agree actions accordingly:</b> Nothing to report.</p> <p>c) <b>Village Green and grass maintenance works</b></p> <p>i. <b>Update and agree actions accordingly:</b> It was noted that the standard of grass cutting had improved with the recent cuts. An area of overgrowth impinging on the footpath on the high street was also reported and it was agreed that Cllr Vinton would speak to the owners.</p> <p>d) <b>Tree Management</b></p> <p>i. <b>Update and agree actions accordingly:</b> It was agreed that the clerk and Cllr Cross would try and obtain the tree surgeon report. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that Cllr Vinton would contact a contractor about the fallen branch on the green.</p> <p>e) <b>Highways and Grit Bins</b></p> <p>i. <b>Update and agree actions accordingly:</b> Nothing to report.</p> <p>f) <b>Well Project update</b></p> <p>i. <b>Update and agree actions accordingly:</b> Cllr Vinton provided an update.</p> <p>g) <b>War Memorial</b></p> <p>i. <b>Update and agree actions accordingly:</b> Cllr Masterson-Jones provided an update and it was agreed that the clerk would check with West Northants Council if permission was needed to install the war memorial because it was in a conservation area.</p>
64.	<b>Finance &amp; Administration</b>

a) To report bank balances – at 30 July 2021

Current Account	500.00
Savings Account	26,849.71

b) To note receipts

Interest (01.06.2021)	0.22
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c) To authorise Payments (two Cllrs to sign cheques) as per below:

Payee	Purpose	VAT £	Cost £	Total Amount £
Katrina Jones	Clerk salary (July payroll)	0.00	316.80	316.80
HMRC	PAYE for Clerk salary	0.00	41.60	41.60
Katrina Jones	Clerk salary (August payroll)	0.00	316.80	316.80
HMRC	PAYE for Clerk salary	0.00	41.60	41.60
Jane Monk	Reimbursement for playing field noticeboard repair cost	0.00	10.00	10.00
ACRE	Annual subscription	0.00	35.00	35.00
Katrina Jones	Reimbursement for website (hosted by spanglefish) renewal	0.00	29.95	29.95
Calico UK	Domain name renewal	4.00	20.00	24.00
West Northamptonshire Council	Uncontested election expenses	15.00	75.00	90.00
CPRE	Annual subscription	0.00	36.00	36.00
SSE	Energy Supply	0.00	16.34	16.34

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

**65.** To note next meeting date of 15<sup>th</sup> September 2021 and raise any items for inclusion on the next agenda: It was agreed to include the following items on the next agenda:

- Invoices provided by Cllr Vinton.

**66.** **CLOSE:** Meeting closed at 8.28pm.