

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE W.I. HALL, SOUTHAM ROAD ON TUESDAY
15TH JULY AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT	Cllr. J.E.F. Barford - Chairman
	" Mrs. J. Coling - Vice Chairman
	" B. Bark
	" D. Cale-Morgan
	" Mrs. W.L.S. Douty
	" P.T. Gray
	" S.J. Watts
	" H.J. Wiggins
	Mr. S.C. Turner - Clerk

1) APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr. T.R. Atkinson, who could not be present at the start of the meeting, and P.H. Barnwell.

2) MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 3RD JUNE, 1975

The minutes, read by the Clerk, were approved and signed as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING

The Chairman read a letter from the Borough Surveyor regarding a site at Hillmorton, adjacent to Percival Road, for use as allotments. The Ashlawn Road site is used for parking for gymkana's etc., at Rugby Pony Club. It was resolved that the Clerk write to the Dunchurch and Thurlaston Community Trust for the names of any outstanding applicants for allotments from Dunchurch.

3) PLANNING COMMITTEE

Cllr. Mrs. J. Coling moved the adoption of the minutes of the meeting held on 1st. July, and it was resolved that these be accepted.

The Clerk read a letter from the Planning Officer outlining why permission had been granted to Mr. Loveitt to erect a house on his land at Toft, for agricultural purposes.

The Clerk confirmed that he had submitted the Council's views on the use of a room in Southam Road by M.F. Robinson, for social purposes. The Chairman said it should also be noted that it is in a conservation area.

The Chairman said he was surprised to note that the Planning Committee had made no comment on the proposal to extend the W.C.C. Workshops. Cllr. Bark replied that this extension was official long before any houses were being built, and was part of a gradual process in developing the depot. After considerable discussion it was resolved that the Council object to the proposals on the grounds that private light industry wouldn't be allowed, and this was similar, noise and additional traffic hazards.

The Clerk gave details of the Prohibition of Waiting Order, which he had received since the Planning Committee. It was resolved that the Clerk object on similar grounds as before, and ensure that it was received by the County Council by the closing date the 18th July.

It was resolved that the Clerk write to the Borough Surveyor, suggesting that a further attempt be made to persuade Mr. James to lease some of his car park at the Dun Cow, to the local authority, even for a short term.

It was resolved that the Clerk write and hasten the signs prohibiting parking on the greens.

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The Clerk confirmed that he had written to the Governors of Dunchurch Middle School regarding public footpaths in the vicinity. It was resolved that no further action be taken on the negotiations with the Ramblers Assocn. until an approach is made by them as agreed.

The meeting between the Chairman, Vice Chairman and the Clerk and the Trustees of the Methodist Church was reported on by the Chairman, and the Clerk read a letter from the Trustees agreeing to allow their land to be crossed, subject to their legal rights of ownership being preserved by closing it one day per year, which they suggested should be Boxing Day. It was resolved that the Clerk thank the Trustees for their courtesy, and confirm that the Council will be willing to make a financial contribution to the cost of providing a notice, chain and padlock. It was also agreed that the Clerk should write to the owner of the hedge on the opposite side of the footpath asking if this could be pruned back, and send a copy to the Trustees.

Cllr. Wiggins thanked the Clerk for notifying him of the cost of shielding a lamp in Northampton Lane, but said he now understood that the owner concerned would be moving.

4) RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Cllr. Mrs. W.L.S. Douty moved the adoption of the minutes, and it was resolved that they be accepted.

The Chairman outlined in detail the events leading up to the handing over of the refurbished Memorial Sign to the late Mr. T.W. Cooper to the present Headmaster, Mr. D. Kirk on Friday 6th June. He said he was certain that there had been genuine misunderstandings, until the situation reached a point of no return, and they had to go through with the ceremony. He confirmed that the Coventry Corporation Apprentices were aware of, and accepted the situation. It was resolved that a letter of thanks be sent to the Apprentice Supervisor, and a letter of explanation be sent to Miss G. Hall - Mr. Cooper's niece.

At this point Cllr. D. Cale-Morgan left the meeting, and Cllr. T.R. Atkinson arrived.

It was agreed that there was a big improvement in the cleansing of the village, and it was resolved that the Clerk send a letter of thanks to Mr. W. Robinson for his contribution towards this.

Cllr. Atkinson reported that workmen had been taking measurements at the Green Man.

The Clerk was requested to write to the Borough Surveyor to hasten the direction sign to the Middle School.

Cllr. Atkinson reported that the Committee in respect of the Rugby Borough area Best Kept Village Competition was to be known as "The Edyvean-Walker Village Conservation Association". As it was ~~now~~ ^{now} it was impoverished, and it was hoped that council's represented on it would make a small donation to give it some funds for stationary postages etc. It was resolved that a donation of £5.00 be made.

The Clerk was requested to write to Mr. Storer to hasten the work he had been asked to carry out.

It was resolved that the question of the Fete be discussed at the next meeting.

The Chairman reported that the work at the island in Adkinson Avenue was finished, but it had to be re-seeded.

Cllr. Wiggins drew the Council's attention to the state of the gardens of the police houses in Daventry Road. It was resolved that the Clerk write to the Chief Supt. at Rugby.

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5) CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) The Clerk reported receipt of minutes of meetings of the Rugby Borough Council.
- (b) A letter was received from the E.M.E.B., concerning an increase in energy charges for street lighting w.e.f. 1st. April 1975
- (c) A list of dates of meetings of Mandatory Sub Committees of the Rugby Borough Council was received.
- (d) A booklet on "Your Local Ombudsman" was received.
- (e) The Annual Report of the East Midlands Electricity Consultative Council was received.
- (f) Leaflets concerning the Colorado Beetle were received.
- (g) A circular letter from the Asscn. of Parish Councils concerning Boundary Commission Review, Capital Programmes and the Community Land Bill, was received.
- (h) Details of the Rugby Ward 16 bye-election were received.
- (i) The Clerk reported a planning application in respect of 9 Buccleuch Close for an extension. The Clerk was given the Council's views to enable him to make observations on the proposal.

6) REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

(a) DUNCHURCH YOUTH CLUB

Cllr. Atkinson said that they now had £180. in hand. The full time worker is going to a new building in Rugby one week in three, and a second part time leader is to be appointed in Dunchurch.

(b) NEWCOMBE & SPIERS ALMSHOUSES CHARITY

Cllr. Gray reported that the rents were now £5.80 per week. Most of the residents recovered this from the D.H.S.S.

(c) DUNCHURCH & THURLASTON COMMUNITY TRUST

Cllr. Wiggins reported that they were having to spend a lot of money on damp courses, probably something like £5,000. In reply to a question, he said that sheds on the allotments were erected only with the Clerk's approval.

7) PAYMENTS DUE

It was resolved that the following payments be approved -

E.M.E.B.	Lighting Costs	£340.57
E.M.E.B.	Interim Account for new lamps	£800.00
	Petty Cash Reimbursement	£30.00

8) PETTY CASH

The following petty cash payments were confirmed -

Printing of Minutes	£1.75
Handyman's Wages	£28.71

9) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

(a) It was resolved that a meeting of the Street Lighting Sub Committee be held on 22nd July at 17 The Hall Close at 8.p.m. It was noted that the standard o/s Tyler's shop was out of plumb.

(b) It was reported that Mr. Wells of Adkinson Avenue had been having fires on the playing field. The Clerk was requested to send a letter to the offender.

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