

DUNCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE W.I. HALL, SOUTHAM ROAD
ON TUESDAY 26TH AUGUST, 1975 AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT

Cllr. J.E.F. Barford - Chairman
" Mrs. J. Coling - Vice Chairman
" T.R. Atkinson
" P.H. Barnwell
" H.J. Wiggins
Mr. S.C. Turner - Clerk

1) APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs. H. Bark, D. Cale-Morgan, Mrs. W.L.S. Douty, P.T. Gray and S.J. Watts.

2) MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 15TH JULY, 1975

The minutes, previously circulated to all members, were approved and signed as a true record.

3) THERE WERE NO MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

4) STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

Cllr. T.R. Atkinson moved the adoption of the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd July, and it was resolved that these be accepted.

The Clerk reported the new lights are gradually being connected.

The Chairman requested that the meeting be adjourned for ten minutes to allow Mrs. Hayter, a resident of Cawston Lane, to express her views on the lights. This was agreed.

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Mrs. Hayter, whilst appreciating it was a little late in the day, nevertheless wished to protest against the installation of new lights, and lights burning all night in a rural area, particularly in the present financial climate. It was pointed out that the installation of improved street lighting had been approved at a Parish Meeting, and the requisite public notices had been displayed for 3 weeks, during which time no protests were received. Another factor considered was police recommendations that good lighting helped to combat vandalism.

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The Clerk reported damage to a lamp in The Hall Close, by a van belonging to Pickfords Ltd. He had written asking them to accept liability.

5) PLANNING COMMITTEE

Cllr. Mrs. Coling moved the adoption of the minutes of the meeting held on 12th August, and it was resolved that these be accepted.

There was some discussion on the difficulties of parking in the village. It was felt that it was useless to impose further parking restrictions until a car park could be provided and it was unanimously agreed a further letter should be sent to the Borough Surveyor hastening consideration of the proposals put forward in the Council's letter of 21st. July.

The Clerk reported where "No Parking" signs were already sited on the greens, and he was asked to request signs to be erected at the Cawston Lane end of Adkinson Avenue, the green at the end of Cawston Lane, Waring Way, and Southam Road by the Lime Trees.

Regarding the footpath, Cawston Lane to Weston Close, the Chairman asked the Clerk to read his letter to the Trustees of the chapel, and to Mrs. Worrall.

With reference to the resurfacing of the A.45, the Chairman said Mr. Chadwick had rung him to explain what he intended doing, and said he would like to know if the Parish Council favoured the retention of the granite sets. It was agreed these were more in keeping.

6) RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Cllr. T.R. Atkinson moved the adoption of the minutes of the meeting held on 12th August, and it was resolved that these be accepted.

The Clerk reported Mr. Robinson recommended a larger bin be placed near the bus shelter in place of the one on the W.I. Board. The main difficulty was getting people to use the bins.

It was understood the tidyingup and redecorating of the Green Man was due to commence in the near future.

It was noted that the direction sign to the Middle School was in place.

The Clerk said he had applied for permission to erect a new notice board.

The Clerk reported Mr. Storer had been on holiday, but he had again written asking him what the position was in regard to the work outstanding for the Council, and stating if a reply was not received he had been instructed to advertise for tenders. The Council confirmed this action.

The Clerk said he had written to Mr. Mousley inviting him to chair a meeting of representatives of organisations interested in running a Village Fete.

Letters regarding fly posting were ready to be sent, but addresses were awaited, and a letter had also gone to the Borough Surveyor regarding the Butter Cross.

7) CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Letter from Chief Planning Officer concerning Rural Planning Study was received.

(b) Notice from Rugby Borough Council regarding rates equalisation and Parish Council was received and read by the Clerk. The Chairman thought this document should be displayed in the library and this was agreed.

(c) An invitation from the E.M.E.B. to a meeting to discuss street lighting problems was received. It was agreed the Chairman of the Street Lighting Committee, Cllr. P.T. Gray and Cllr. T.R. Atkinson would attend.

(d) A circular letter together with minutes of the A.G.M., was received from the W.P.F.A.

(e) A planning application for an extension to 34 Daventry Road was received. Agreed no comments.

8) TO APPROVE PAYMENTS DUE

It was resolved that the following payments be approved -

E.M.E.B.	Balance of Street Lighting on new Council Estate	£225.00
W.P.F.A.	Subscription	£1.05
Edyvean Walker Conservation Association		£5.00

9) PETTY CASH PAYMENTS

The following petty cash payments were confirmed.

Printing of Minutes.	£2.22
Postages to Dale	£11.05

9) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Cllr. P.H. Barnwell raised the question of the hedge at the corner Cawston Lane/The Heath. The Clerk was instructed to ask the resident to trim back the hedge concerned.
- (b) The Clerk was requested to write to the Borough Surveyor asking replacements for the trees mowed down on the open space, and also draw his attention to the state of the trees on the mound on Coventry Road.
- (c) The Chairman said he would like the Recreation and Amenities Committee to consider replacement trees for The Green, and Cllr. Atkinson said expenditure on bulbs would have to be considered at the next meeting.

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