

DUNCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

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DUNCHURCH

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE W.I. HALL, SOUTHAM ROAD ON
TUESDAY 30TH NOVEMBER, 1976 AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT Cllr. Mrs. J.A. Coling - Chairman
" T.R. Atkinson - Vice Chairman
" J.E.F. Barford
" P.H. Barnwell
" Mrs. W.L.S. Douty
" F.W. Miles
" B. Spann
" H.J. Wiggins
Mr. S.C. Turner - Clerk

In attendance - Borough Cllr. C.F. Gimson
Police Constable Burrows.

1) APOLOGIES

Apoloiges were received from Cllrs. D. Cale-Morgan and
D.J. Walker.

2) MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 19TH OCTOBER 1976

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

3) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

As Cllr. Atkinson was present the idea of a Parish Magazine was
further discussed. Cllr. Atkinson said he agreed with Cllr. Cale-Morgan's
suggestion that an enlarged version of the Annual Report would suffice, bearing
in mind the importance of cutting down costs. Cllr. Barford suggested a small
working party be set up before the Annual Meeting and this was agreed.

The Clerk said Mr. Chadwick had the young elm shoots cut
back.

4) STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

Cllr. T.R. Atkinson moved the adoption of the minutes of the
Street Lighting Committee held on Thursday 4th November 1976.

It was reported there were now over 150 street lamps in the Parish
and they would cost approximately £7.00 each to paint. 30 of the old type
finished in green paint really needed doing. The rest are shot blasted and
aluminium sprayed and will probably last a bit longer. If it is felt more
money should be spent on new lights the Committee recommend 2 for Adkinson Avenue,
one outside the Library, 2 for Miller Close, 2 for Halfway Lane and 2 for Daventry Road.
Representations had been received from the Youth Club, in Daventry Road, who
felt this area should be improved in view of the numbers of young people using
the road. The approximate cost for the total programme was £1,650.
Cllr. Atkinson suggested some money be spent on painting the older lamps
and some on improvements, and in the following year start a painting programme.
Cllr. Barford pointed out that he had particularly requested that improved
lighting on the Coventry Road be considered. Cllr. Miles referred to the
light by the bus shelter in the centre of the village, which had been vandalised
during the week-end.

It was reported that all new lights erected will be paid for
by the end of this financial year.

J.A. Coling

5) PLANNING COMMITTEE

Cllr. J.E.F. Barford moved the adoption of the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 16th November, 1976.

The Clerk said the wishes of the Committee in regard to the planning application for the Scout Hut have been carried out, and an acknowledgement has been received from the Planning Officer. Cllr. Barford said he had contacted Mr. Fricker and assured him he would be attending the Plans Sub Committee in support of Parish Council and general public.

No decision has yet been received concerning $\frac{3}{4}$ Southam Road.

Planning Permission for Phase 3, 52 houses and garages at Daisy Meadow for Bryant Homes Ltd., had been received.

The Clerk read a letter from the Borough Surveyor which stated that it was considered the land behind Daventry Road was a better site than the County Council Depot, and it was resolved by the Committee to investigate this possibility further. Cllr. Barford proposed that the Parish Council fully support the Borough Council in their efforts, and help if possible, in tracing the ownerships of the site. This was unanimously agreed.

Cllr. Spann asked if investigations would continue into the use of the County Council Depot, and the Clerk pointed out that the Borough Surveyor could not proceed without instructions from the Development Committee to whom the matter was being reported.

The Clerk read the letter from the Borough Surveyor regarding Cock Robin Island. It was decided nothing further could be done, although Cllrs. felt it was not a very satisfactory ending to the matter.

The Clerk reported receiving a copy of a letter from Mr. Bark to the Borough Surveyor regarding the work in Vicarage Lane, and the state of the road surfaces in the village. Mr. Chadwick had reported the road surface had been remedied on 3 occasions, none of them satisfactory, and an alternative was no being investigated. The fault lay with the contractor and there would be no additional charge to the public. The Clerk was requested to thank Mr. Bark for his letter pointing out that the repairs in Vicarage Lane had been taken up with the Borough Surveyor and that the centre of the village was the responsibility of the County Council.

Cllr. Spann referred to the Urban Structure Plan and his concern that the piece of land between Northampton Lane and Rugby Road should be made green belt. The land is owned by the County Council and it was thought they would not designate their own land green belt. The Clerk was asked to pursue the matter.

6) RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Cllr. Mrs. W.L.S. Douty moved the adoption of the minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on Tuesday 16th November, 1976.

Cllr. Barford moved that consideration of the Rugby Road Playing Field Accounts, copies circulated to all Cllrs., be transferred to the next full meeting of the Council. This was agreed.

The Clerk said he had written to Mr. Back regarding the Stocks seat and ordered the new litter bins, and the work had been carried out on the Market Cross.

A claim had been sent to Mr. Chadwick to recover the cost of the new seat at Cawston.

Cllr. Miles complained about the condition in which the Arkwright Recreation Ground was left after Mr. Gillings had cut the hedge. The Clerk

said it had been his belief that the Council were responsible for the hedge and in the past the groundsmen had always cut it back, but apparently this is not so. Mr. and Mrs. Garner were complaining that the contractors had trespassed on their land and that 5 years work on the hedge had been ruined as there were now 4 holes in it and they were anxious to know what the Council proposed to do about it. Cllr. Barford suggested the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk visit Mr. Garner. This was agreed and the Clerk was asked to arrange the meeting. It was also agreed Mr. Gillings be informed of the situation.

Cllr. Barford congratulated the Recreation and Amenities Committee on its suggestion that the Dunchurch portion of the National Appeal should come from the Festival Committee. The Clerk pointed out that in his capacity as Chairman of the Festival Committee, he was requesting the Parish Council to sponsor an event at the Fete, as it was Jubilee year.

Cllr. Atkinson requested permission to ask Mr. Pritchett to plant the crocus bulbs as voluntary help did not seem to be forthcoming. Cllr. Miles said he had planted bulbs on the greens outside Tanser Court and Mr. Tanser had offered to provide notices stating bulbs were planted.

7) CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from the Borough Surveyor enclosing copy of drawing showing postal numbers allocated to Phase 2 and the named side roads of Phase 3, Daisy Meadow Estate, Southam Road. The Clerk was instructed to acknowledge, but point out that the Parish Council have previously been consulted in regard to street names.

Letter from Assocn. of Parish Councils urging Parish Councils to reply to all notifications of planning applications., and various other matters.

Letter from the Dunchurch & Thurlaston Educational Foundation enclosing accounts for presentation to the Annual Parish Meeting.

Notice of meeting of Rugby Area Committee of Assocn. of Parish Councils.

Planning application for erection of automatic telephone exchange extension at Northampton Lane. Cllr. Barford proposed and it was agreed the Council object to this scheme.

8) REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

Cllr. Mrs. Douty reported attending a meeting of the Dunchurch & Thurlaston Community Trust mainly concerning cottage repairs.

Cllr. Mrs. Douty had attended a meeting of the Bilton Pools Plot Charity which had mainly dealt with Christmas Grants.

Cllr. Barford said he had been unable to attend a meeting of the First School Managers but he understood everything was going well.

Cllr. Barnwell said he had been unable to attend a meeting of the Middle School Managers but its business was mainly routine.

Cllr. Atkinson reported attending a meeting of the Youth Club which had proposed Mrs. Beaumont would continue to represent them on the R. & A. Committee and the financial position was satisfactory.

J. A. Coburn

9) ESTIMATES FOR 1977-78

The Clerk reported that so far this year the Council has spent approximately £3,800, and he anticipated spending a further £1,780 giving an approximate total of £5,500.

It was decided that expenditure in respect of Parks and Open Spaces should be estimated at £180 and that 15% should be added to General Administration costs making this item £1,000.

In addition to donations to the Church and the Band, it was decided to include £260. in respect of completion of the restoration of the Market Cross.

Cllr. Barford proposed that the estimate of £1,650, submitted in respect of new street lamps, should be halved, and this was agreed, making a total of £3,305 in respect of street lighting.

The Clerk said that the total budget would be £4,895 against expected expenditure of £5,485 for the current year.

10) PAYMENTS FOR AUTHORISATION

Dept. of Environment - Audit Fee	∨ £43.20
E.M.E.B. - Public Lighting	∨ £508.58
Petty Cash	£30.00
Donations - Silver Band	∨ £50.00
Parochial Church Council	∨ £50.00

11) PETTY CASH FOR CONFIRMATION

Printing of Minutes	∨ £5.86
Handyman's Wages	∨ £5.70
Daffodil Bulbs	∨ £18.00

12) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr. Barford requested that Standing Orders in regard to the authority of the Committees be looked at the next meeting of the full Council. This was agreed.

J.A. Colby