

DUNCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

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Clerk to the Council
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DUNCHURCH

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL,
HELD AT THE W.I. HALL, ON TUESDAY 9TH MAY 1978 AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT

	Cllr. T.R. Atkinson
	" J.E.F. Barford
	" D. Cale-Morgan
	" Mrs. W.L.S. Douty
	" F.W. Miles
	" D.J. Walker
	" H.J. Wiggins
	Mr. S.C. Turner - Clerk

In attendance - County Cllr. H.H.C. Douty
Police Constable John Burrows.

1) ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

This being the Annual Meeting of the Council nominations for Chairman were called for. Cllr. Walker proposed Cllr. T.R. Atkinson be elected Chairman for the ensuing year, seconded by Cllr. Mrs. W.L.S. Douty and unanimously agreed. Cllr. Atkinson accepted office, and proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring Chairman Cllr. Mrs. J. Coling for her work during the past two years.

2) ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Cllr. Atkinson asked for nominations for Vice Chairman. Proposed by Cllr. J.E.F. Barford, and seconded by Cllr. D.J. Walker that Cllr. D. Cale-Morgan be elected Vice Chairman. All agreed.

3) APOLOGIES

Apoloiges were received from Cllr. Mrs. J. Coling and B. Spann.

4) ELECTION OF COMMITTEES

Cllr. Barford proposed that the membership of the three Committees should continue as before, and this was agreed.

5) APPOINTMENTS OF REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER BODIES

Cllr. Cale-Morgan said he would like to relinquish his appointment as Council's representative to the Asscn. of Parish Councils. With this exception it was proposed and agreed the representatives to other bodies be re-appointed. The Clerk said he attended most of the meetings of the Asscn. of Parish Councils and would be willing, if it would assist, to act as the Council's representative. The Clerk's offer was accepted.

6) MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 21ST. MARCH, 1978

The Clerk apologised for an error on Page 4 under PAYMENTS FOR AUTHORISATION. The payment of £3.55 - Printing of Minutes should be included in the payments to the Clerk under this heading, and not under PETTY CASH FOR CONFIRMATION. This should cover Handyman's Wages £ 12.35.

The minutes, previously circulated to all members, were accepted and signed as a true record, with these amendments.

D. Cale-Morgan

7) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

With regard to the business operations being carried on at "High Hedges" Coventry Road, it was reported that the Borough Council Plans Sub Committee are dealing with this matter and an Enforcement Notice will be served.

8) MINUTES OF MEETING OF PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 25TH APRIL, 1978

Cllr. Atkinson moved the adoption of these minutes.

Planning Applications received since last meeting

Application for erection of lean-to connected to existing cattleyard at Inwoods Farm, Ashlawn Road.

Erection of single storey building for church activities at the Baptist Church, Coventry Road. The Clerk was asked to obtain plans.

Cllr. Barford reminded Cllrs. that in some cases it was possible for the Planning Officers to make decisions without applications being referred to the Plans Sub Committee. It was suggested the Borough should be asked to provide plans with each application, but this would prove a very expensive operation. Cllr. Mrs. Douty suggested that perhaps a little more detail could be given on the application and it was proposed this was a matter which could be brought up at the forthcoming meeting between the Assocn. of Parish Councils and Borough Council representatives.

The Clerk read a copy of the County Secretary's Letter to the Secretary and Solicitor of the Borough Council giving details of the planning permission granted for the use of The Elms, Coventry Road, as a Club for Dunchurch & Thurlaston Working Men's Club. Cllr. Barford expressed his disappointment at the County Council's decision.

Planning permission for the erection of par single and part 2 storey rear extension, garages and front porch at 28 Southam Road was granted.

Planning refusal was received for conversion of barn to provide dwelling at Toft Manor, Dunchurch.

Planning refusal received for erection of first floor side extension, erection of porch and erection of boundary wall, at 9 Buccleuch Close, Dunchurch.

Planning permission received for use of existing garage at rear of 33 Southam Road, for storage and retail purposes.

Parking

The Clerk reported writing to the Chief Executive of the County Council, as a result of the Annual Parish Meeting, regarding use of land east of the A.45. A reply had been received from the County Secretary who said he was in communication with the County Planning Officer and the County Land Agent.

The Clerk also gave details of his letter to the Secretary and Solicitor of the Borough Council, which itemised the resolutions taken at the Annual Parish Meeting.

The Chairman summarised the situation and noted Traffic Wardens were now active in the village. Constable Burrows said the Traffic Wardens were there at the wish of the residents expressed at the Annual Parish Meeting. They were the target of quite a lot of unfair abuse, when, after all they were only carrying out their job.

It was reported that the sign to Draycote Park had been erected.

J. Cab. Murg

MINUTES OF MEETING OF RECREATION & AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD ON 25TH APRIL, 1978

Cllr. Mrs. W.L.S. Douty moved the adoption of these minutes.

RUGBY ROAD PLAYING FIELD

The Council's letter to the Secretary expressing concern at the lack of action since the Council's Grant was approved was read by the Clerk. It had also been pointed out that the next meeting of the Sportsfield Management Committee was taking place on the same evening as the Annual Meeting of the Council, making it impossible for Council representatives to be present.

Cllr. Barford reported that the Borough Council's Working Party's report on recreational facilities in rural areas was now completed and being considered.

The Rugby Liaison Group was meeting on Thursday evening to discuss its projects for the forthcoming year.

It was noted that the seat on the Daisy Meadow Estate had still not been moved. It was proposed and agreed that the Clerk write to the owner of the nearby house explaining the delay in its removal.

The Clerk said he had written to the Borough Surveyor regarding tidying up the green outside the almshouses and requested that the grass verges on the A.45 outside the police houses be protected.

The Scouts are still looking for a site for a new hut, and are open to suggestions.

9) CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported he had written a letter of condolence to Mr. R. Wilkinson.

County Finance 1978-79 received.

Letter from E.M.E.B. detailing increased charges for public lighting etc., w.e.f. 1st. April.

Invitation and Agenda for Rugby Area Committee Asscn. Parish Councils at Stretton on 23rd. May.

Poster regarding General Rate for display received.

Rugby Borough Council Information Bulletin.

Letter from County Engineer concerning maintenance of rights of way in Warwickshire, and giving details of a meeting on 24th May. Cllr. Cale-Morgan said he would attend as the Council's representative.

10) REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

Cllr. Atkinson reported attending a meeting of the Youth Club. The Club was in a healthy position financially, but were concerned at the drop in membership, due partly to the opening of a club at Willoughby. The new Youth Leader was Mrs. Cos.

11) PAYMENTS FOR AUTHORISATION

Asscn. Parish Councils	Reviews	£ 16.00
	Subscription	£ 46.88
E.M.E.B.	Public Lighting	£600.97
Womens Institute	Refreshments 10/1 - 11/4.	£ 11.50
	Hire of Hall	£ 22.50
Dunchurch Scouts	Delivery of Leaflets	£ 12.00
	Petty Cash	£ 30.00
Apex	Printing	£ 16.85

J. Cale-Morgan

12) PETTY CASH FOR CONFIRMATION

Postages to 31st. March.	£ 9.03
Bottle Correcting Fluid	.76
Handymans Wages	£ 7.60

13) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr. Miles asked what progress was being made with the new lights for Halfway Lane. It was decided the Street Lighting Committee would meet at 7.30 on Friday at Cllr. Atkinson's residence.

County Cllr. Douty reported that the Divisional Engineer, Mr. H.R. Chadwick, retires next month, and explained that the 3 divisions would probably be made into 2, which would mean each division would cover a much larger area.

It was unanimously agreed the Clerk should write to Mr. Chadwick expressing the Council's appreciation for all his help over the years.

Cllr. Miles said nothing seemed to have been done about the flooding outside the Dun Cow Bar.

The Clerk reported the Leamington Hastings Young Farmers Club had cleared up the end of Northampton Lane, and suggested a letter of thanks should be sent to the Chairman. This was agreed.

1) Cal. Mugs