

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  
8TH MAY, 1979 AT 7.30 P.M.

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

In attendance - P.C. John Burrows

1) APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr. J.E.F. Barford and Borough Cllr. C.F. Gimson.

2) MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 30TH MARCH, 1979

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

3) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

These would be dealt with under the appropriate committees.

4) MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 17TH APRIL 1979

The Chairman moved the adoption of the Minutes.

Planning Application received in respect of 2 storey side extension at 8 Barnwell Close. The Clerk said he had forwarded comments similar to those made on a similar application for a neighbouring house.

The Clerk said he had forwarded comments as instructed regarding the application for extensions at 12 Cawston, particularly pointing out that a flat roof was not thought to be in keeping <sup>PLANNING</sup> on a 2 storey extension, and the fear of intrusion into privacy of adjoining property.

Planning Application received for a side extension at the Working Mens Club. The Clerk was asked to obtain plans. Cllr. Miles declared an interest in this item, whilst giving the Council some idea of the Clubs plans.

Planning Application received for use of existing garage as show room and study at Bushfield House, Cawston. The Clerk was asked to obtain plans.

PARKING

The Clerk reported County Cllr. H.H.C. Douty has seen the County Engineer about the parking problems, and also had a word with the Chief Constable, who had told him there was to be a blitz on parking in Dunchurch. The Chairman said he had talked to the Chamber of Commerce about the Sunday Trading Act, and note was being taken of opening times. After considerable discussion it was again agreed that parking was the primary problem which was there on Saturdays as well as Sundays. Cllr. Walker proposed, in view of the questions regarding the Sunday Trading Act at the Annual Parish Meeting, the Clerk should write to the Secretary and Solicitor for a ruling on this matter, and this was agreed. In the meantime efforts

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should be made to convene the proposed meeting between the Council's representatives and Mr. D. Robinson. It was thought consideration could perhaps be given to extending the double yellow lines, if and when a car park is obtained.

The Clerk reported he had written to the Borough Surveyor asking him to look at the setts in the centre of the village, and to the Divisional Engineer inviting him to meet the Council to discuss areas which come under his jurisdiction.

It was reported that the Elms had been sold.

It was reported that a copy of the Deeds etc., to the Arkwright Field had been forwarded to the Secretary and Solicitor, in order to try and establish who was responsible for the upkeep of the Cawston Lane entrance.

5) MINUTES OF RECREATION & AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD ON 17TH APRIL 1979

Cllr. Mrs. Douty moved the adoption of the minutes.

The Clerk said he had written to Mr. M.A.P. Jones accepting his tender for painting the equipment, and to Wicksteeds for a quotation for cradle swings, also to David Robinson accepting his offer to remove the large slide, and Mr. Storer had been asked to meet Cllr. Miles. Cllr. Miles confirmed he had met Mr. Storer who would be submitting an estimate for the supporting wall. Cllr. Miles reported he had had no luck in getting help to look after the playing field, and the Chairman suggested advertising in the Rugby Review for a handyman. This was agreed. A letter had been sent to the Secretary and Solicitor to enquire if there was any change in the law which would enable action to be taken against dogs fouling the playing field.

After discussion the Clerk was asked to send a hastening letter re the ditch at the rear of Don Cerce Close.

Cllr. Mrs. Coling reported she had found the gate in the fence on the open space, and the Clerk was asked to write to the resident concerned.

6) CORRESPONDENCE

Invitation to the first Annual General Meeting of the new autonomous Rugby Citizens Advice Bureau on 16th May.

Various Minutes and Agendas of the Rugby Borough Council were received.

Warwickshire Structure Plan, Review of Policies for Rural Areas received. The Clerk pointed out that this did not concern Dunchurch as they came in the Urban Area.

A letter was received from the Clerk to the Managers of the Dunchurch First School regarding the Council's representation on that body. This will be considered at the Annual Meeting of the Council next month.

Received a sheaf of correspondence regarding reduction in teaching strength at the school. Cllr. Mrs. Douty said she understood this matter had been referred back to the appropriate Committee.

Journal of the Warwicks. Playing Fields Assocn. received.

Letter from Secretary & Solicitor of the Borough Council enclosing chart showing distribution of rate income from 1979/80. This would be displayed on Notice Board when space was available.

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Details of County Finance 1979 - 80 received.

Letter from E.M.E.B. giving details of proposed increases in electricity charges.

Letter from Amenities Officer Borough Council asking for help in advertising the Rugby Arts Festival. It was agreed posters could be displayed on the Notice Boards.

Letter from the Social Services Dept. enclosing extracts from the manual of the Rural Team which will serve the rural areas of Rugby as from 9th April.

Information Bulletin of the Rugby Borough Council received.

Invitation to the Mayor's Sunday Service on 27th May at the Parish Church was received.

7) PAYMENTS FOR AUTHORISATION

A.R. Gillings	Mowing Arkwright Field	£17.50
E.M.E.B.	Public Lighting	£704.00
W.I.	Hire of Hall	£28.50

8) APPROVAL OF PRECEPT

Approval of Precept . £1500.

9) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr. Atkinson thanked Cllrs. for their support during the past year.

Cllr. Mrs. Coling said she had received complaints about a "Hire Car Business" being operated from The Old Cottage, Coventry Road. It was agreed this should be brought to the notice of the Planning Officer.

The Clerk gave a report on the Annual Audit at which some copies of minutes of the R. & A. Committee had been found unsigned, but this had now been remedied. A receipt was required for the £750. paid to the Rugby Road Playing Field. The Auditors had also recommended the Fidelity Cover should be increased to £2,500. This was agreed.

The state of the green opposite the almshouses was mentioned and it was agreed this should be discussed with the Divisional Engineer.

Attention was drawn to the deterioration of the verges on the Rugby Road due to large vehicles parking whilst going to the shop.

Cllr. Spann asked if modernisation of the Litter Bins could be put on the Recreation & Amenities Agenda.

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