

DUNCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

S. C. TURNER
Clerk to the Council
54 Cawston Lane
DUNCHURCH

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE W.I. HALL, SOUTHAM ROAD ON
TUESDAY 16TH OCT. 1979 AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT

Cllr. T.R. Atkinson - Chairman
" F.H. Barnwell
" Mrs. J. Coling
" Mrs. W.L.S. Douty
" D.J. Harris
" F.W. Miles
" B. Spann
" D.J. Walker
" H.J. Wiggins

1) APOLOGIES

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

2) MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 4TH SEPT. 1979

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

3) MINUTES OF RECREATION & AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Cllr. Mrs. W.L.S. Douty, seconded by Cllr. D.J. Walker, moved the adoption of the minutes.

Ditch at rear of Don Cerce Close

Cllr. Miles proposed that stronger action should be taken and pressure brought to bear on the authorities responsible, to get this ditch piped in. Residents were again complaining of vermin and evil smells in the vicinity. Cllr. Walker proposed the Borough Cllrs. should be asked to get this item on the Agenda of the Environmental Health Committee of the Borough Council. This was agreed, and the Clerk was asked to have a word with Cllr. Barford about the matter.

Renovation of Green o/s Almshouses

The Clerk reported the Borough Council had no plans for this green, and the County Council disclaimed responsibility. Considerable discussion took place regarding what needed doing to make the green attractive again, and it was finally agreed the tree stump needed moving, several loads of top soil would be required before finally reseeding or turfing. The Clerk was asked to write to Landward for an estimate for work considered necessary.

Litter Bins

Cllr. Atkinson said the type of litter bin should be chosen, and the sites for the first two replacements chosen. Cllr. Spann said he would like this discussed at the next Recreation & Amenities Committee, when he would have the literature available. This was agreed.

Bulbs - The Clerk said they should be here before the end of the week.

Summer Play Scheme

The Clerk said he had received a Statement of Account from Mrs. K. Roberts, together with a cheque for £23. monies which had not been used. It was considered this scheme was a great success and Mrs. Roberts was thanked for the work she put in on this venture.

Kerbstones - Cawston Lane

The Clerk said he had asked the Engineer to look at the kerbstones o/s Cllr. Coling's house. Cllr. Mrs. Coling said they were now satisfactory.

J. Atkinson
20/10/79

4) MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE

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Applications & Decisions Planning Apps

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Dunchurch & Thurlaston W.M. Club planning application for erection of part single and part two storey side extension. Cllr. Miles, after declaring his interest, said the application was similar to the previous one which was not successful, but only applied to the side extension.

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Bus Shelter - Coventry Road

The Clerk said it would be necessary for him to submit a planning application to the Planning Officer, who, in turn, would submit an application to the Ministry of Transport. Liaison with the Community Trust would also be necessary.

Daventry Rd.

The Clerk read a letter from the Divisional Engineer which stated that he had made arrangements for this road to be tidied up, but the Gas Board was about to re-lay the gas main from the Co-op to the traffic lights, and will restrict the work. The elms are the property of Mr. Roberts of Laurel Farm, who is going to remove them.

Blocked Bridle Path at Cawston R.165

The Clerk had received a 'hone call from Mr. Williams, and with Cllr. Walker had inspected this path. It was a difficult situation as the centre of the path was clear allowing the public right of way, the difficulties arose at the sides as adjoining residents could not trim their hedges due to the undergrowth on the perimeter. The Clerk gave details of the ruling on keeping footpaths and bridleways open, from which it appeared Mr. Williams had no obligation other than to keep a clear path through the centre. Cllr. Spann proposed the legal dept. of the Borough Council should be approached for help, and it was also suggested the residents should contact Mr. Williams, themselves.

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5) CORRESPONDENCE

Received letter from Dunchurch Traders objecting to report and comment printed in Rugby Advertiser on 27th July. Cllr. Wiggins moved the matter be left on the table. This was agreed, a letter of acknowledgement being sent stating the matter came under discussion subsequent to complaints from residents regarding the untidiness of the village.

Received Circular Letter from County Engineer regarding the County Public Transport Plan 2.

Received Report of East Midlands Electricity Consultative Council.

Received letter from the Assoch. Parish Councils giving details of Courses for Parish Councillors to be held at Coleshill.

Received Assoch. Parish Councils Annual Report 1978-79.

Received letter from County Assoch. Parish Councils concerning Capital Programmes.

Order Form for Parish Cllrs. Handbook. The Clerk was asked to obtain two copies.

Rec'd copies of the resolutions proposed for the 4.G.M. of the Assoch. Parish Councils on 20th Oct. The Clerk said he was now unable to attend this meeting.

Rec'd Copies of Minutes of the Borough Council.

Rec'd letter from County Cllr. H.R.C. Douty stating he would be out of the country from 23rd. November until 16th February, during which time Cllr. J. Vereker was kindly acting for the Dunchurch Division.

Rec'd a letter from the Chief Planning Officer enclosing details of an application for a major felling of trees at Cawston Woods, in which it was felt the Parish Council would be interested. Action needed to be taken quickly and it was proposed a Sub Committee be formed to go into details and report back to the Clerk to enable him to forward comments as soon as possible. This was agreed and Cllrs. Wiggins, Barnwell and Miles formed the Sub Committee

6) REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

Cllr. Atkinson had attended a meeting of the Youth Club and reported the membership was climbing slowly, and they had approximately £280. in the kitty at the moment.

Cllr. Mrs. Douty reported on a meeting of the Bilton Trust which dealt with grants to schools etc..

The Clerk said a meeting of the trustees of the Newcombe & Spiers Charity would be held on Tuesday 23rd. at the Vicarage.

7) PAYMENTS FOR AUTHORISATION.

A.R. Gillings	Mowing Sept/Oct.	£52.50
E.M.E.B.	Street Lighting	£791.18
S.C. Turner	Petty Cash Reimbursement	£50.00

8) PETTY CASH FOR CONFIRMATION

Handyman's Wages - Sept. £14.40

8) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chairman asked what could be done about the light in the tree outside Cllr. Coling's house, and action ought to be taken quickly before the new path is laid. The Clerk said he would contact E.M.E.B.

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