

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 4TH SEPT. 1979, AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT
Cllr. T.R. Atkinson - Chairman
" B. Spann - Vice Chairman
" J.E.F. Barford
" Mrs. J. Coling
" Mrs. W.L.S. Douty
" D.J. Harris
" F.W. Miles
" H.J. Wiggins
In attendance - Borough Cllr. C.F. Gimson

1) APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs. P.H. Barnwell and D.J. Walker. The Clerk said Cllr. Barnwell was celebrating his Golden Wedding the following day, and it was unanimously agreed that a card conveying the Council's good wishes be sent.

2) MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 24TH JULY 1979 at 7.30 P.M.

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

3) MINUTES OF RECREATION & AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD ON 21ST. AUG. 1979

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

It was noted that the Council's approval to purchase Jack and Jill Kinderclimbers and a see saw from Chas Wicksteed, was called for. Cllr. Barford, seconded by Cllr. F.W. Miles moved that this proposal be approved.

Cllr. Miles reported that he and Mr. Worrall had burned up a lot of rubbish, including bushes from the island in Heath Road.

Borough Cllr. Gimson said he was still endeavouring to get the ditch at the rear of Don Cerce Close piped and filled in, and whilst the efforts to trace the trouble were appreciated, it was agreed that this would be a more satisfactory solution and the Clerk was asked to write to the Borough Surveyor, accordingly.

Cllr. Harris reported that he and Cllr. Barnwell had inspected the trees, and the following replacements were required -

4 Mountain Ash	1 Cherry
1 Beech	2 Silver Birch
5 Red May	

The Clerk was instructed to re-order as soon as possible.

Reference was made to the letter from the Borough Surveyor which stated he had no plans to improve and level the green in the Square. Cllrs. were far from satisfied about the appearance of this green, and it was decided a letter should be sent to the County and Borough, with a copy to County Cllr. Douty with a request for an improvement to this green.

Considerable discussion took place concerning general cleanliness of the village and bus shelters and it was suggested complaints should again be made to the Borough Surveyor. Cllr. Barford pointed out that this was the only Parish in the Borough where a road sweeper was employed. He suggested the purchase of appropriate posters to be displayed in prominent positions, and this was agreed. The Clerk was also asked to ask Mr. Worrall if he was willing to do more work for the Council. It was also suggested the Clerk have a word with the Borough Surveyor.

The Clerk said he would be checking on the dead trees in Daventry Road, and Cllr. Wiggins reported that the dead tree at Toft Corner had not been felled.

A copy of a letter received by the traders, from the Borough Surveyor, regretting inconvenience caused when the car park was re-lined, but pointing out that this work has to be done when weather conditions permit, was read.

4) MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 21ST. AUG. 1979

Cllr. J.E.F. Barford, seconded by Cllr. F.W. Miles, moved the adoption of the minutes.

The Chairman gave details of a letter he had received from the Working Men's Club Secretary protesting against the Borough's Refusal of their recent planning application, in reply to which he had promised to bring the matter to the attention of the Council that evening. Cllr. Barford pointed out that the Club had the right to appeal, and Cllr. Miles confirmed that this course of action was being considered.

The Clerk reported that Cllr. Douty had been to see him, immediately prior to the meeting, to report he had felt the end of the road had been reached with regard to the speed limit on the A.45

Council approved the purchase of the Thursley bus shelter, manufactured by Astolat Ltd., for erection on Coventry Road. The Planning Committee to look into siting problems and obtain any necessary planning permission.

5) CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Municipal Mutual Insurance confirming a.50 Fidelity Guarantee has been increased to £2,500 for a premium of ~~£1500~~

Agenda for meeting of Rugby Area Committee, Assocn. Parish Councils to be held on 20th Sept. at Ryton Village Hall.

Circular Letter from the Parish Councils Assocn, covering Technical Consultancy, Clerks Emoluments, Bus Shelters and Bus Stop Signs and Tree Planting, among other things.

Letter from the Clerk of the Borough Council informing Mr. R.C. Halls of 12 Cawston Lane intends to appeal against the refusal of his recent planning application.

Letter from E.M.E.B. concerning increased public lighting charges from 1st. September.

Planning Appn. for erection of double garage at Braemar House, Southam Road.

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6) PAYMENTS FOR AUTHORISATION

M.A.P. Jones.	Cleaning & applying Cuprinol to seat at Cawston.	£11.50	
S.C. Turner	Petty Cash	£50.	
"	Salary & Expenses	£295.	Salary
		£125	Expenses

7) CONFIRMATION OF PETTY CASH PAYMENTS

Stationery	£1.10
B. Spann - Lock & Key for Stocks	£1.50
Handyman's Wages June	£18.00
July	£12.00
August	£22.80

Chains for swings & Rockette	£ 2.00
Locks for above	£ 6.34

8) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr. Spann moved a vote of thanks to David Turner for cutting grass and tidying up Lord John Scott.

The Parish Notice Board was again criticised, and the Recreation & Amenities Committee were requested to look into the possibility of improving it.

A complaint received about the weeds along footpath between library and Southam Road. The Clerk said he would get some weed killer put on them.

Cllr. Spann wondered if Parish Council Meetings were given enough publicity.

M. Williams
16/10/79

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