

Scruton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting at the Coore Memorial Hall Thursday 11th July 2019 @ 7:30pm

Five members of the parish attended the meeting. Two with concerns regarding the villages bus service.

The clerk to investigate.

meeting commenced at 7.30pm.

2019-19 To receive apologies for non-attendance .

Apologies were received from Cllr. Britton and
County Councillor Annabel Wilkinson

Attending the meeting were Cllr's. Widmer (Chairman), Howe,
Nye, Langan and District Councillor Phillips
with the clerk Chris Barron.

2019-20 To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

There were no declarations of interest.

2019-21 To accept the minutes of the last meeting

The minutes were moved by Cllr. Nye, seconded by Cllr. Langan and signed by the chairman.

2019-22 Finance.

Payments made:

Richard O'Neil (green bin tag)	£ 35.00
C.E. and C.M. Walker Ltd. (grass cutting)	£ 241.00
Zurioch Municipal (parish insurance)	£ 193.20
Signs of Cheshire (notice board)	£1,642.80
Signs of Cheshire board magnets)	£ 29.88
Greg Clapham (paving areas)	£ 665.00
C.E. and C.M. Walker Ltd. (grass cutting)	£ 160.80
R.C. Barron (clerks salary)	£ 250.00
A. Whitehead Associates (tree survey)	£ 564.00

Income:

Lloyds Banking Group (dividend)

£ 2.55

2019-23 Financial Statement. .

The financial statement was presented to councillors by both the chairman and the clerk

With an explanation of the need to be thrifty over the coming months due to the parish spending of the previous year.

2019-24 Election Expense:

The clerk reported that the cost of the recent parish election had been higher than expected with a cost of some £703.46.

Hambleton District Council had given the parish the option of yearly payments over 4 years, which the parish accepted.

2019-25 Contractors Document:

The Contractors document, a sample of which had been provided by Cllr. Britton, was discussed. The clerk pointed out that with two local handy men there was no real need to employ from outside the village. As the previous limit of £400 before two estimates were required, councillors agreed that this should be raised to £500. Between this amount and £1,000 the clerk to obtain 2 estimates before going ahead. If any work would exceed £1,000 consent from the council would be required.

2019-26 Standing Orders:

A rewritten set of standing orders had been completed by Mrs Janet Crampton with councillors being able to print and digest these before the parish meeting.

Various amendments and suggestions were put forward and discussed. It was then decided to group all these together and then present them to Mrs Crampton.

2019-27 Planning:

19/00660/FUL Provision of additional building to house 1,000 pigs,
Middlefield Farm, Fleetham Lane, Scruton

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2019-28 Correspondence:

The clerk reported on two flooding areas which had been investigated by the Highways Dept.
Both schemes were dependant on negotiations with adjoining owners with the highway authority promising to keep the parish informed on progress and start date.

2019-29 Risk Assessment:

Councillors presented two risk assessment reports with no major concerns.
Councillors requested that risk assessments should take place within The first 7 days of the month.

**2019-30 Scruton Committee Reports.
(includes WW1 topics).**

No committee reports were presented.

2019-31 Any Other Business:

Playing field car parking (Cllr. Nye) raised concerns regarding the parking situation outside the playing field and the possibility of using other parts of the area for parking cars.
It was pointed out that other parts of the area were controlled by a hefty insurance policy which would not cover additional parking.

Solar energy area (Cllr. Widmer) expressed concern regarding the planned solar energy farm just over the Scruton parish boundary in Kirkby Fleetham and Fencote parish, and that Scruton parish should be aware of a possible planned solar farm in the parish. Cllr. Langan raised the issue of unsecured loaded farm trailers passing through the village. He produced a document of the legal requirements. Due to time constraints the matter was not fully discussed and was left in abeyance.

2019-32 To agree any items for inclusion in the newsletter.

A local farmer had notified the parish council regarding dog fouling amongst crops on Common Lane and requested that an article be included in the next edition of the newsletter. The clerk asked that a note regarding missing notice board magnets be also included.

The meeting finished at 9.05 pm.

**The next Parish Council meeting is to be held on
Thursday 12th September 2019
Commencing at 7.30 pm.**

All Council meetings to commence at 7.30pm with 10 minutes at the start of the meeting for residents to make any statements they wish the Council to consider.

Note: Minutes in draft form until signed by the chairman.

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