

Scruton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting at the Coore Memorial Hall Thursday 9th January 2020 at 7:30pm

Seven members of the parish attended the meeting, with concerns ranging from over flying aircraft, provision of a footpath on Station Road, trees on the village green and the Scruton .net site.

The clerk to investigate and contact officials and report back to the council

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm.

2019-60 To receive apologies for non-attendance .

Apologies were receiver from County Councillor Annabel Wilkinson. Attending the meeting were Cllr's. Widmer (Chairman), Howe, Nye, Langan, Britton with the clerk Chris Barron.

2019-61 To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

There were no declarations of interest.

2019-62 To accept the minutes of the last meeting

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

2019-63 Finance.

Payments made:

Sam Turner & Sons Ltd. (grass rakes)	£	50.66
T. D. Howe (dumpy bags)	£	27.14
R.C. Barron (Clerks Salary)	£	250.00

Income:

Northern Powergrid (line easement)	£	3.45
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2019-64 Financial Statement. .

The financial statement was presented to councillors by the clerk .

Councillors accepted the financial statement, with the clerk explaining the expected balance at the end of the financial year.

2019-65 Contractors Document:

Councillors adopted the contractors document to take effect from 1st April 2020.

To be effective on contracts above a spend of £500.

2019-66 Planning:

19/01978/REM Approval of reserved matters, construction of two bungalows, Land north of Springfield, Station Road, Scruton.

GRANTED

19/01783/FUL Construction of timber framed garden room, Mount Pleasant, Scruton.

GRANTED

19/01377/FUL Construction of an agricultural building for livestock (pig rearing), South Grange Farm, Scruton.

REFUSED

18/02732/OUT Outline application for construction of 3 no. Dwellings, Hamhall Lane, Scruton.

APPEAL DISMISSED

2019-67 Correspondence:

Correspondence regarding flooding in a garden opposite Hamhall Lane was presented to councillors. The clerk had contacted the Highways Dept. but had not yet received an answer to the problem. The clerk to contact the householder when more information was available

2019-68 Risk Assessment:

Councillors presented the risk assessment reports with no major concerns.

Comments regarding the late collection of gathered leaves were made.

2019-69 Scruton Committee Reports.

There were no committee reports to consider.

2019-70 HDC Local Plan:

Decisions on these items had not yet been decided.

2019-71 Complaints Document:

Councillors decided to delay this to agenda item 2019/72

2019-72 Any Other Business:

Village trees (Cllr. Howe) concern was expressed regarding the cedar trees within the parkland.

It was explained that the animals within the parkland had demolished the protective fencing around the trees and were eating the saplings. Councillors decided to approach the owner of the parkland and beasts with a request to provide some security for the saplings.

After negotiations with the owner of the parkland it had been agreed that the owner would adopt the trees and provide secure guards around them.

The clerk to write a thank you letter for this offer.

Dog fouling (Cllr. Nye) concerns regarding dog fouling, particularly along Common Lane were raised. It was accepted that, even where poop bags were provided, dog walkers still allowed dog fouling to occur.

The clerk to contact HDC dog warden for advice.

Cold calling (the clerk) had been approached by a number of concerned residents as to the conduct of cold callers.
The clerk to contact Trading Standards with a request to instigate a ban on cold calling within the village.

Amendment to Standing Orders (Cllr. Langan) proposed that an amendment to order nos. SO12 and SO13 be made.
Councillors agreed to the amendments with the clerk to include these into the existing document.

2019-73 To agree any items for inclusion in the newsletter.

Item concerning dog fouling, with a request to dog owners to be more responsible regarding this lack of duty.
An item regarding speeding within the 30mph area to appeal to motorists to be take more care when driving through the village.

The meeting finished at 9.05 pm.

**The next Parish Council meeting is to be held on
Thursday 12th March 2020
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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