

Scruton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Meeting at the Coore Memorial Hall
Thursday 9th November 2023 7:30pm

Three residents attended the meeting.

Questions and concerns from the floor included flower planting along side the footway from Beech Close to Common Lane. It was noted that the plantings had been destroyed and could this area be kept clear in future as it was hazardous in the dark and used as a dog exercise area.

Also of concern was the constant dog barking from the rear of a property in Common Lane. The recent intensity of farm vehicles leaving large amounts of mud in Common Lane and the excessive speed of the farm vehicles.

2023-71 To receive apologies for non-attendance.

No apologies were received.

Attending the meeting were: Cllr. Nye (Chairman), Cllr. Widmer

Cllr. Howe and Cllr. Daley, with County Councillor Annabel Wilkinson.

The clerk Chris Barron was also in attendance.

2023-72 To receive declarations of interest in items on the Agenda.

There were no declarations of interest.

2023-73 To accept the minutes of the last meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting were presented to the Council.

Proposed by Cllr. Widmer, seconded by Cllr. Daley and signed by the Chairman.

2023-74 Council Vice-Chair.

Cllr Widmer (vice chair) had given the council his decision to stand down from

this position, as a consequence Cllr. Daley had now accepted the position of

Council Vice-Chair.

2023-75 Finance.

Payments made:

Tom Duffield (remove base growth on lime trees)	£ 230.00
C.E. & C.M. Walker Ltd (grass cutting x2)	£ 192.00
Signs of Cheshire (50% notice board)	£1,113.00

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R.C. Barron (clerks' salary)	
Bright Star Fireworks Ltd. (firework display)	£1,202.26
Cube Fireworks Ltd. (firework display)	£1,163.11
Rezolve I.T. Ltd. (newsletter printing)	£ 158.40

Income received:

Scruton Playing fields (donation to notice board)	£ 618.33
Scruton playing Fields (donation to fireworks)	£1,961.10
Scruton Cricket Club (donation to notice board)	£ 618.33
North Yorkshire Council (parish precept)	£3,000.0

2023-76 Parish Precept:

After a resume of the forth coming years expenditure the council 's decision was to increase the precept for 2024/25 to £6,400. (Last year's precept £6,000)

2023-77 Planning.

(Decisions issued by North Yorkshire Council)

No decisions issued.

2023-78 Committee Reports:

The village hall committee report was presented to council and accepted without comment. (see village hall parish web site)

2023-79 Correspondence.

It was reported correspondence had been received from MP Rishi Sunak in response to a letter from the council regarding government policy on solar applications in future.

His response also included correspondence from two ministers, namely Micheal Grove and Teresa Coffey, who both outlined the governments thinking on this topic.

Also received was a letter from a resident regarding the election of Councillors, this was noted for future reference.

2023-80 Risk Assessment.

The latest risk assessments were presented to the council.

With no problems obvious.

Defibrillator checks were now taking place each week.

2023-81 Community Resilience.

Councillors were presented with a bound document from the County Council setting out the their options for the council to take. Council decided to take a closer look and report back.

2023-82 Any Other Business.

A donation of £100 has been offered to fund a new defibrillator in Common Lane. Concern was expressed at the size and location of a playing field bonfire.

2023-83 To agree any items for inclusion in the newsletter.

The chairman would provide items for the forthcoming newsletter, in conjunction with other members of the council.

The meeting finished at 8.40pm.

Next business meeting is Thursday 11th January 2024.

Commencing at 7.30

All minutes in draft until signed by the chairman.