

**Minutes of Scalford Parish Council Meeting
held on Monday 21st February 2022 at Scalford Village Hall**

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Present: Cllrs E Bryan Brian Dodd, Robert Ingles, R Thring

Apologies: Cllr M Wright,

In attendance: County Councilor B Lovegrove

Members of the Public: 2

Public Participation:

The matter of the temporary fencing around the old garage site on King Street was raised as some of the panels had been blown in by recent storm. – Clerk to contact site owners.

22/1138

Declarations of Disclosable and Pecuniary Interest:

None

22/1139

**To approve and sign the Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held Monday
24th January 2022 at Scalford Village Hall**

It was unanimously agreed that the Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on the 24th January 2022 were a true record, and the Minutes were signed by the Chairman of the Meeting.

22/1140

Planning:

22/00024/GDOCOU - proposed change of use of an existing barn located in a field to the west of Wycomb Lane, Scalford, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire, to a larger residential dwellinghouse. | Piggery Wycomb Lane Scalford – object to fact the dimensions are larger by digging down to increase the height,

21/00002/FUL – Change of use of closed Chapel to 3 bed dwelling - New Street, Scalford – no objections.

21/01291/DIS No indication that trees removed which weren't in original plans are going to be replaced - Council to ask question if they are.

22/1141

Financial:

The bank reconciliation as at 31st January 2022 was approved as true and correct showing General Reserve of £28231.00 Grant Funding £30.00 and General Account £19140.19 and signed by the Chair of the meeting. A list of receipts and payments for January is attached to these Minutes. A discussion regarding the Waterplus invoices for estimated water took place as currently no water has been used, Clerk to write and point this out to Waterplus.

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Churchyard Wall:

No progress

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Churchyard Lighting:

Cllr Dodd had spoken with Helen McNamara regarding possibly linking into the power source at the rear of the Church to supply the electricity for lighting the path, this was being referred back to the PPC for their opinion. A discussion then followed as to whether the Parish Council should get involved in this project from a financial point of view, Cllr Dodd stated that there was some funding available from various charities in the village. Cllr Dodd also pointed out that the proposed lighting was for the benefit of Parishioners and not just the Church goers. It was agreed to wait until the PCC had indicated exactly what they wanted before making any further decision on the matter.

22/1144

Meeting Day:

Following the request from the village hall to change the night of the Council meeting from a Monday to another evening of the week there was lengthy discussion as to which was most suitable night. The Clerk could not commit to Tuesdays, Cllr Thring could not commit to Wednesdays most other Councillors appeared to be available most weekday nights. Clerk to email Councillors for their thoughts and to establish from village hall what nights are available.

22/1145

Website

Cllr Thring agreed to put a button on the website to connect the Parish Council Facebook page.

22/1146

Traffic Issues

Cllr Ingles wish list was to have a 20mph throughout the village, the 30 mph limit moved back past the entrance driveway to the Manor House and 7.5 tonne limit on the bridge on the back road (Melton Spinney Road) and said he saw no reason why Highways could not implement this. Cllr Dodd felt it should be possible for the manufacturers of Satellite Navigation Equipment to control which roads appeared on their systems thereby stopping unsuitable roads being used by drivers. Cllr Dodd also raised the matter of the traffic calming at the top end of the village which was subject of a separate planning application agreed by Melton Borough Council and the never happened because Highways said it wasn't needed. After much discussion it was agreed a face to face meeting with Highways was required and County Councillor Bryan Lovegrove agreed to organize this.

22/1147

Lighting at Village Hall

The matter of the inadequate lighting outside the village on the slope down to the carpark was raised and it was agreed this was an area that needed improving. Clerk to contact Eon and see what they would recommend and the cost implication of it. Cllr Dodd advised that there was power nearby running down the side of the carpark.

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Councillor Vacancy

The Clerk advised that Ann Doody who was in attendance had expressed an interest, her details had been circulated, Councillors held an informal discussion with Ann who indicated she wished to proceed to become a Councillor. It was therefore unanimously agreed to co-opt onto the Council who duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form

22/1149

Matters arising from emails circulated and other matters for next Agenda:

No issues raised

22/1150

Items for Next Month' s Agenda:

Meeting Day

Traffic Issues

The meeting closed at 8.42 pm

Date of Next Meeting:

Monday 21st March 2022 at 7.30 pm at Scalford Village Hall

Chairman Scalford Parish Council

Date: _____

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The following Receipts and Payments were approved at the meeting on 21st February 2022

Receipts and Payments January 2022

Receipts:

HSBC – Interest	£	0.40
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Payments:

Waterplus	£	19.54
P Rear	£	220.00
HSBC	£	8.00
Npower Commercial	£	242.64
Community Heartbeat Trust	£	51.60
Scalford V H	£	24.00

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