

**Minutes of Scalford Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023 held at Scalford Village Hall**

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**Present:** Brian Dodd, Rob Thring, R Ingles, Ann Doody

**In attendance:** County Cllr Bryan Lovegrove, Borough, Councillor Elaine Holmes 7.31 pm

**Members of the Public:** 2

In the absence of the Chairman the Vice Chairman Cllr Ingles chaired the meeting.

**Public Participation:**

Members of the Public were invited to speak

No issues raised

23/1284

**Apologies**

None received

22/1285

**Declarations of Disclosable and Pecuniary Interest:**

None

23/1286

**To approve and sign the Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at Scalford Village Hall**

It was unanimously agreed that the Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on the 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022 were a true record, and these were signed by the Chairman of the Meeting.

23/1287

**Planning:**

**New:**

22/01326/FULHH – Proposed removal of existing outbuilding and detached garage and erection of a two storey side extension and erection of a car port | Whinlatter 18 Sandy Lane Scalford Leicestershire LE14

It was agreed that the Council had no objections in the main to the application, there were reservations regarding the car port as it did not fit sympathetically with the surroundings.

23/1288

**Financial:**

The bank reconciliation as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 was approved as true and correct showing a balance of £20532.96 in the General Account and was signed by the Chair of the meeting. A list of approved receipts and payments for December is attached to these Minutes which were approved by Cllrs Ingles and Doody. It was unanimously agreed going forward that Cllrs Ingles, Doody & Thring were appointed to check invoices against the payments sheets and countersign as correct.

23/1289

**Traffic Issues:**

Cllr Thring confirmed he had revised and circulated the action items following the meeting with police referred to in December minutes. Following discussion it was agreed Cllr Thring would arrange a meeting with Twinlakes which would be attended by himself and Cllr Dodd supported by County Councillor Lovegrove. After discussion about Ironstone Lane it was agreed a speed limit of 20 mph should be requested from Highways. The matter of the mobile VAS to be supplied by Highways from the local County Councillors Highways Fund was raised, the Clerk advised nothing had been heard from Highways for around 4 months, Cllr Lovegrove volunteered to chase this up. Cllr Thring raised the matter of HGV' s transiting the village and Cllr Ingles confirmed he had seen various vehicles coming through possibly as a result of recent road closures. No data or photo' s had been recorded and Cllr Dodd expressed the view that whilst it was useful information there would be no action taken by either the police or highways depart and that the situation was farcical.

23/1290

**Play Equipment Repairs:**

The Clerk advised he had now received an updated quote of £982.00 to replace top beam and refit swing basket it was unanimously agreed to accept this, Clerk to action.

23/1291

**Deben Farm:**

Clerk had received an email from MBC saying the Planning Development Officer Louise Parker had been instructed to respond to the Parish Councils letter. Cllr Dodd asked as an indication of when a response might be expected had not been given Clerk should email and ask for a time frame.

23/1292

**Task List:**

Cllr Thring had updated list which was now version 8 and the next item for discussion was the slide which needed replacing, clerk advised that with the cost saving on the swing basket repair there could be a fairly substantial amount of money available that could be put towards this. It was therefore agreed to obtain up to date prices for a like for like slide by the next meeting.

Cllr Thring then raised the matter of tree safety around the play are and in general, clerk confirmed that all trees in Recreational Field a Cemetery had been inspected and remedial work carried out in December. Cllr Dodd raised the matter of trees in the Churchyard as he was aware the school used this as a quiet area when weather permitted it was agreed this should be on a future Agenda.

23/1293

**Defibrillator Chadwell & Wycomb:**

Cllr Dodd had established that in all probability Wycomb would also like to have a defibrillator and had a contact name for the Clerk to contact. Cllr Dodd also felt that both Hamlets should have a nominated person to monitor and report on any defibrillators supplied and be generally responsible for all matters relating to them rather than the Parish Council

23/1294

**Stonestile Allotments:**

After discussion it was unanimously agreed subject to it being practical that the area behind the houses at Stonestile Allotments could be turned into an orchard

23/1295

**Exterior Lighting at Village & Church:**

CLlr Dodd had established that the current lights at the Village Hall installed by LOL of Melton had photo cells on them and suggested that if one of the lights had a separate metered supply and better photo cell fitted it may be sufficient to light the slope up to the hall which the Parish Council could pay for. CLlr Ingles raised the idea of using smaller independent solar lights costing about £30.00 each, it was agreed to buy one and see how it performed.

23/1296

**Matters arising from emails and other matters for next month' s Agenda:**

No issues raised

23/1297

**Items for Next Month' s Agenda:**

Outside Lighting

Traffic

Task List

The meeting closed at 8.08 pm

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Chairman Scalford Parish Council

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The following Receipts and Payments for December were approved at the meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

**Receipts and Payments December2022****Receipts:**

|   |          |
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| Scalford Poores Charity – Street Lighting | £ 300.00 |
| J Marsden – Donation                      | £ 100.00 |
| Unity Bank – Interest                     | £ 176.12 |

**Payments:**

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|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Burnt Oak Development Ltd            | £ 186.00 |
| HMR&C                                | £ 408.79 |
| Eon                                  | £ 194.40 |
| B Creasey Tree Services              | £2304.00 |
| Aimee Neale Stone – Allotment Refund | £ 10.00  |
| Unity Bank – Fees                    | £ 14.87  |

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