

SCOLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 16 December 2008 7.00 pm at Scole Primary School

Present: Cllrs. G Moore (Chairman) Mrs S Redgrave, Mrs C Moore, Mrs J Jones, R Philpot.

In Attendance: Mrs M Cook (Clerk to the Council)
County Councillor Pitt Pladdy
1 member of the public

1. **To receive & accept apologies for absence**
No apologies were received
2. **To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda**
No declarations of interest were received
3. **To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting**
The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 18 November 2008, having previously been circulated to all Members, and having one typing error amended were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Councillor Mrs P Fisher joined the meeting

4. **To receive any Police Liaison Officer report**
There was no Police presence. The crime report for November indicated one report of 'burglary non-dwelling'.

Councillor R Franklin joined the meeting

5. **To report any correspondence or action, for information purposes, arising from the minutes**

Letters sent as requested in previous minutes, including a reminder about outstanding work on Thelveton Bridge.

6. **To adjourn the meeting to receive**
 - a) **residents questions or comments**
 - Light no 7, Norwich Road, Scole was reported as out
 - b) **reports from District & County Councillors**
 - The County Councillor gave a report on Unitary, Wind Farms, efficient and economic use of buildings, and changes to domicillary care due to take place with effect from February 2009

7. **To re-convene the meeting**
The meeting re-convened at 7.20pm

Councillor A Frith joined the meeting

8. **To receive and discuss items from Parish Councillors**
Items discussed included:
 - Allotments
 - Two areas of flooding in New Road, Thelveton
 - Council response to proposed maintenance on A1066
 - A143 and new more explicit 'restricted access' signs

- Highways proposed trial of a two man gang to quick fix small jobs for ‘pro - active’ councils.
 - Thelveton Bridge
 - Speeding on Bungay Road
 - Concerns about safety on pathways along Bungay Road – to be referred to PCSO’s.
 - Illuminated signs at each end of Bungay Road
 - Noticeboards – one quote received and a second awaited
 - Post Box outside shop needs emptying more frequently
 - Connection pipe between two ditches at entrance of Playing fields getting blocked and liable to flood gardens etc
 - Police have been contacted re children on bikes without lights
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9. **To receive information on the request for a Scoping Opinion for Wind Turbines in Pulham St Mary**
Councillors noted the information received and agreed that a letter should be sent to South Norfolk with the same comments as when previous requests have been made.
10. **To discuss Meeting venue and increased cost**
Councillors noted that the School intended to increase the cost of the School Hire by a third, from £15 to £20 and after discussion agreed to pay the increase but would ask for more adult chairs to be provided for the comfort of Residents.
11. **To agree the awarding of the grass cutting tender**
After further discussion it was agreed by a majority to award the grass cutting contract to Martin Whyberd of Harleston. It was agreed to put the Management of these Services on the agenda for January.
12. **To consider planning applications as notified by South Norfolk Council**
Application No: 2008/2202
 Applicant: Mr A Church
 Location: 30 St Andrews Road, Scole
 Proposal: Erection of 1.8m fencing to highway boundary, reducing to 1m within site to St Andrews Road
Parish Decision: A - we have no views or comments about this application
Application No: 2008/2236
 Applicant: Mr R Clark
 Location: Flax Farm, Diss Road, Scole
 Proposal: Proposed first floor extension and internal alterations
Parish Decision: A - we have no views or comments about this application
Application No: 2008/2406
 Applicant: Kingsley Care Homes Ltd
 Location: Scole Lodge, Norwich Road, Scole
 Proposal: Re-erection of previously demolished conservatory on existing plinth
Parish Decision: A - we have no views or comments about this application
13. **To confirm payment of accounts presented at the meeting , and note bank balances, as detailed on the schedule**
The schedule of payments, circulated to Members was discussed , bank balances noted, and it was **RESOLVED** that payment of the accounts totalling £771.68 be authorised.
14. **To receive an update on the Borderhoppa and approve any proposals made**

The Chairman reported that the management of Borderhoppa would be happy for the Council to issue tickets to users. They also have a P-reg minibus for sale, which after discussion it was decided that the Chairman would contact them to decline the offer of purchasing it.

The Chairman further reported that Scole Cabs were offering a good rate if Council wished to use taxis instead of the mini-bus.

It was decided that further work would be carried out to identify anyone in the Parish experiencing financial difficulty in getting to and from Diss for the purpose of using the Post Office. It was suggested that this could be researched by using the Friendship Club or the PostHorn to get the information.

15. **To receive and adopt the Model Publication Scheme**

The model Publication Scheme having been circulated to the Members was adopted unanimously.

16. **To agree the precept for 2009/10**

The precept for 2009/10 was set at £11,239 a 5% increase on 2008/09

17. **To receive a report from the Trustees of Scole Community & Playing Fields**

Councillor Fisher reported that the MUGA Funding agreed at the last meeting would not be required as although planning permission had been granted, the grant had not been awarded. The Playing Fields Committee had just had a good fundraising weekend. The Committee was waiting to hear from Sir Rupert Mann regarding extra land.

18. **To receive any verbal report of Accidents within the Parish**

There were no verbal reports of any accidents.

19. **To receive details of correspondence received, not dealt with elsewhere**

- Information from Norfolk County Council on Teleshopping (part of the home alone scheme) and Assistive Technology
- Customer Satisfaction Survey for South Norfolk re emptying of new dog bin
- Norfolk Matters – copy enclosed
- South West Area Planning Committee (South Norfolk DC) Agenda (04.11 & 02.12.2008) & Minutes (07.10 & 04.11.2008)
- Flyers re Fun Activities for Young People in the District 19.12.08 – 02.01.09

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

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Chairman