

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
SCOTTON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2009
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SCOTTON AT 6.00PM**

DRAFT MAY BE SUBJECT TO AMENDMENT

PRESENT: CLLR Ms M LANGFORD (VICE CHAIR); CLLR S SMITH; CLLR MRS K SMITH;
CLLR MRS B HILL; CLLR MRS L THORNLEY; CLLR MRS K SUTTON:

APOLOGIES: CLLR MRS L WETHERALL: (CHAIR) - (REASON NOTED AND ACCEPTED)

ALSO PRESENT: DISTRICT CLLR W PARRY; PCSO B THOMAS;

DECLARATION OF INTEREST –NONE

ADJOURNMENT: No Parishioners Present

INTRODUCTION OF PCSO B THOMAS

PCSO Thomas explained that the Community Beat Team were trying to raise enough money to purchase a 'Simple S.I.D.' which would be used by the team as and when needed. It has been proved that these devices do slow drivers down and the team are asking all villages within their North Gainsborough area to contribute. (*See item 2.3*)

PCSO Thomas was thanked by the Vice Chair Cllr Langford.

1 MINUTES – JANUARY 2009

The minutes were signed and agreed

PROPOSED: CLLR S SMITH; SECONDED: CLLR K SMITH; UNANIMOUS

2 MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED

2.1 BECK LANE

The Clerk reported that No Unauthorised Motor Vehicles notice had been put up on the A159 end of Beck Lane. Motorbikes are therefore not allowed on this track. However, Mr Marsh (LCC) has said that if the Motorcycle Trials event takes place, he needs photographs of the area which the trials intend to cross. The present designation of the track allows horse and carriages, horses and pedestrians. If the Council experiences problems with these activities Mr Marsh should be contacted again.

2.2 PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Still very difficult to open but it was agreed not to plane the sides as, with the onset of better weather, the board will probably shrink again.

2.3 COMMUNITY BEAT TEAM – 'SIMPLE S.I.D.'

A letter had been received from PCSO P Smith asking if the Council would be willing to contribute £200 towards this initiative.

It was agreed that an initial £100 should be donated and the Council should ask for an update of the total of donations. It is possible that if there is a shortfall the Council will consider another donation.

Proposed: Cllr S Smith; Seconded: Cllr L Thornley; Unanimous

2.4 POLICE AUTHORITY

A letter had been received inviting comments on the Police website regarding the budget.

2.5 SCOTTON PARISH WEBSITE

Mr Adrian Wood has taken some lovely photographs and the 'Adrian Wood Gallery' has been added to the website.

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3 PLANNING

3.1 121539 – 15 MIDDLE STREET

A letter has been sent to the Inspector. As yet the Council have not been informed of the date of the Appeal.

4 HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

4.1 ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

It was agreed to write to Highways expressing the Council's disappointment that areas of concern, in particular the lane from Middle Street to Westgate, have not been dealt with. A whole list of concerns have been submitted to Highways twice.

5 FINANCE

5.1 INCOME & EXPENDITURE – IN HAND AS AT 23/02/09 - £11494.45

5.2 VILLAGE HALL ROOM RENT – CHEQUE AUTHORISED FOR £60

6 COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS

6.1 VILLAGE HALL

Proposed: Cllr B Hill; Seconded: Cllr L Thornley; Unanimous
Cllr K Smith to be the Village Hall Representative.

Various activities are planned by the Village Hall Committee for the forthcoming months. It was reported that the Salvation Army have agreed to put a clothing recycling bin in the Village Hall car park. The Village Hall Committee are still looking at new play equipment. The AGM for the Village Hall will be held on 23rd March 09.

7 OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 FLY TIPPING

There is some rubbish on Laughton Lane near Loates farm entrance. Clerk to report.

7.2 BURST DRAIN OR SPRING

There is water running down the footpath on Scotter Road. Clerk to report

7.3 TELEPHONE BOX

The telephone box has now been handed over to the Parish Council. Cllr S Smith is to put up the notice in the box and has taken the information for perusal.

7.4 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

This will be held on Monday 27th April in the Village Hall at 7pm. Refreshments will be served and Clerk is to post a notice and put details in the Newsletter. The Parish Council meeting will precede this Assembly at 6pm.

8 MEETING CLOSED – 7.07PM

9 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – MONDAY 30TH MARCH 2009 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 6PM