

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
SCOTTON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2012
IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SCOTTON AT 6.00PM
DRAFT – MAY BE SUBJECT TO AMENDMENT**

- 1 PRESENT: Cllr B Hill (Chairman); Cllr M Clarke (Vice Chairman);
 Cllr M Langford; Cllr L Wetherall Cllr J McCague; Cllr A McCague
- 2 APOLOGIES: Cllr P Mirkin
- 3 ADJOURNMENT PERIOD - Council were shown the Jubilee Calendar which is to be distributed to every household free of charge. Extra copies will be sold at £5 each.

Councillors formally asked for dispensation regarding item 8.4

- 4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST - NONE

- 5 MINUTES – DECEMBER 2012

The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record

Proposed: Cllr M Clarke; Seconded: Cllr L Wetherall;; Unanimous

- 6 MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED

- 6.1 PLANNING APPLICATION 128285

Outbuilding at rear of Blackthorns, Eastgate.

Council returned no objections

- 6.2 BEST KEPT VILLAGE

Cllr Mirkin was unable to attend the presentation evening due to illness.

- 6.3 PARISH PLAN

It was agreed to cover Environment at January's meeting. Councillors will read the topic in the Action Plan and formulate actions needed.

Action: Councillors

- 6.4 VILLAGE CARETAKER

Mr Clive Williams was appointed and has already rectified the notice board and rendered the telephone box spider free.

(Special thanks from Clerk for this action!).

- 6.5 WELCOME LEAFLET

Councillors agreed to have their names in the leaflet on the website but no contact numbers or emails.

- 7 HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

- 7.1 UPDATE AND REPORTS

The blocked drain on Westgate continues to cause concern. Highways have promised that they will send a team with underground cameras to establish where the problem actually is.

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- 7.2 Concerns were raised by parishioners regarding a collapsing drain on Scotter Road. This has now been rectified.
- 7.3 The light on the snicket and at the junction of Eastgate/Crapple Lane have still not been rectified, despite assurances from LCC.
Action: Clerk
- 8 FINANCE
- 8.1 INCOME & EXPENDITURE - in hand as at 04/12/12 - £9157.79
- 8.2 DISPENSATION
Councillors had formally asked for dispensation to agree the precept and signed a form before the meeting started. *See Adjournment*
- 8.2 JUBILEE CALENDARS
The Parish Council thanked the committee who had worked so hard for the Jubilee. A vote taken to agree that extra calendars should be sold at £5 each.
- 8.3 CHEQUE FOR JUBILEE CALENDARS – Cheque authorised £1324.80
- 8.4 BUDGET
It was agreed that because the Village Hall are carrying out a programme of improvements, the grant to the VH Committee should be increased by £600.
Proposed: Cllr M Langford; Seconded: Cllr J McCague: Unanimous
The Council, after carefully considering their budget set the precept at £3800.
Proposed: Cllr B Hill; Seconded: Cllr A McCague: Unanimous
- 9 VILLAGE HALL REPORT
The Village Hall continues to be well supported. Plans are in hand for a multi purpose sports surface which will include new movable tennis nets.
- 10 MEETING CLOSED – 7.10PM
- 11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY 8TH JANUARY 2013 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 6PM.