



WINSHILL PARISH YOUTH COUNCIL
Chairman: Michael Norton

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Youth Council held at Abbot Beyne School at 2.00 pm on Tuesday 6 December 2011.

Present:

Councillors B Bradford, A Horton (Youth Club), F Khalid, M Norton (Abbot Beyne), N Hurst, J Lowe, J O'Toole (Holy Rosary), L Clements, J Ratcliffe (Winshill Village).

Also present:

S Taylor (Clerk), Councillor D Fletcher, I North (Winshill PC), S Robson (Youth Club), K Sylvester (Holy Rosary), D Colebrook (Winshill Village) and Councillor D Leese, C O'Hare (ESBC).

Apologies:

Apologies for absence were received from Tower View School.

45/11 **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 OCTOBER 2011**

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 October 2011 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

46/11 **CO-OPTION OF A NEW MEMBER AND APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR**

Bryony Bradford, a year 10 student at Abbot Beyne, was welcomed onto the Youth Council as a co-opted member. Following Councillor Duckworth's resignation as a result of his family's relocation to Dorset, the members unanimously elected Councillor J O'Toole as the new Vice-Chairman.

47/11 **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

There was no correspondence to report.

48/11 **WASHLANDS SKATE PARK PROJECT**

Members discussed the amount of the financial contribution they should make towards the Washlands Skate Park Project presented to them at the previous meeting.

Resolved:

That the Parish Youth Council make a contribution of £500 towards the Washlands Skate Park.

49/11 **PLANNING EXERCISE FOR FUTURE PLAY AREAS IN WINSHILL**

Members undertook an exercise in planning for a teen park at **Wheatley Lane Rec. Ground**. It was noted that a similar park at Tutbury had cost £60,000 and that money was available from the Neighbourhood Development Fund.

Equipment suggested was: bowl with holes in for balls, bench with foot rest, birds nest swing, basket ball hoops, climbing frame/monkey bars, grass bridge over tunnel, rotating swing, fitness equipment, ramps, table tennis, slide and zip wire.

Several designs were produced for discussion with the common themes being seating areas, swings, slides, climbing frames, ramps and basketball courts.

C O'Hare, the Borough Council's Open Space Development Officer, agreed to invite a play equipment manufacturer to come up with an initial design based on metal equipment.

The Youth Council were then consulted on four options for a replacement play area at **Newton Road Recreation Ground**. The preferred option was that suggested by Sutcliffe Play which would provide such equipment as a climbing frame, basket swing, spin a bowl, toddler swings, seating and a slide. This would be located in the area between the car park and the canoe club.

50/11 **FUTURE PROJECTS**

Members agreed to come back with ideas for future projects to discuss at the next meeting.

51/11 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

It was reported that the Youth Council currently has funds of £5,295.91 which could be used as part of any joint funding of future projects.

52/11 **REPORT FROM OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

The Parish Council Chairman D Fletcher invited the Youth Council to take part in the Summer Fayre which would be taking place on 6 June 2012.

Other things that would involve some input from the Youth Council were the drawing up of a new parish plan, and the building of a beacon at Wheatley Lane and improvements to the open space area off Vancouver Drive as part of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

He thanked the schools and the youth club for their assistance with the planting around Winshill which had been very well received by everyone.

53/11 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There were no other matters raised.

54/11 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

Resolved:

That the next meeting of the Parish Youth Council be held on Tuesday 31 January 2012 at 2 pm at the Neighbourhood Resource Centre.

The meeting concluded at 3.00 pm.

Chairman