



## **WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Council held at Winshill Neighbourhood Resource Centre at 7.30 pm on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2015.

### **Present:**

Councillors H Gaynor, G Lomas, I North, J Norton, L O'Mahoney, P Rose, and K Smith.

### **Also present:**

S Taylor (Clerk), C Wileman (County Councillor) and R Faulkner (Borough Councillor).

### **Apologies:**

Apologies were received from Councillors D Fletcher, M Fletcher and E Starmer.

### **MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no members of the public present.

### **PART I**

#### **128/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made.

#### **129/15 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2015 were agreed and signed as correct records of events.

#### **130/15 CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence had been received:

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| a) SCC Archives    | Newsletter                               |
| b) Trent & Dove    | Receipt of Lenghsman's Notice            |
| c) Zurich          | Insurance Renewal                        |
| d) Mathew Ellis    | Space Project                            |
| e) Elizabeth Court | Details of Accounts                      |
| f) ESBC            | The Local Plan Modification Consultation |

#### **131/15 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following were reported:

- Applications which have been decided under delegated powers
- Applications to which we can respond

PA/2015/00899 – Raising crown etc. to Beech tree protected by TPO at 138 Alexandra Road  
PA/2015/00921 – Erection of a single storey rear extension at 38 Eldon Street  
PA/2015/00981 – Felling of a flowering cherry covered by a TPO at 127 Newton Road  
PA/2015/01012 – Converting and extending existing garage to granny annexe at 3 Cherry Leys

Members decided to raise no objections to any of the above. It was also noted that a Tree Preservation Order had been placed on the trees at 160 Newton Road.

#### 132/15 **YOUTH SERVICES**

The County Councillor reported on ongoing discussions to find funding for repairs to the former Youth Centre.

#### 133/15 **COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

On highway related matters it was reported that this year's surface dressing programme was about to start and would include Melbourne Avenue, Bretby Lane, Vancouver Drive, Moat Bank, Hawfield Lane and many of the adjoining streets not done during last year's programme.

#### 134/15 **BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Councillor Faulkner reported on the progress to try and clear the scrub vegetation fronting Newton Road Recreation Ground and plant it up as part of Winhill in Bloom. He also mentioned other areas (Mill Hill Lane, Nelson Street and Newton Road) where works required to cut back trees had been put on a maintenance schedule. The local doctor's surgery had been approached regarding them running a "health and well being programme" as well as the provision of other services at a local level.

#### 135/15 **NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE CO-ORDINATORS REPORT**

The board to the new charity was meeting on a monthly basis and was well attended. They were currently looking into the problem of future funding.

#### 136/15 **PARISH PLAN**

There was nothing new to report.

#### 137/15 **COMMUNITY/ PARISH FAYRE**

Councillor Smith asked for some assistance in making next year's Fayre even bigger and better. Councillors Gaynor, Lomas, Norton and O'Mahoney offered to assist.

#### 138/15 **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The consultant has produced the Environment and Housing chapters of the draft/options plan. It is envisaged that the rest of the draft plan will be completed by around the end of August 2015.

#### 139/15 **NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE**

The Clerk asked for articles for the next copy of the newsletter, which will go out in the autumn. It was suggested that there could be an article on grants given out and the availability of free medicines in the Winhill area. The Clerk agreed to notify everyone of the deadline for articles nearer to the date.

#### 140/15 REVIEW OF PLANTING/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

It was reported that the judging of Winshill in Bloom and by the RHS judges on 8<sup>th</sup> July in respect of Winshill's Heart of England in Bloom entry had gone well. Some of history boards were now erected along with the Dalebrook information boards.

#### 141/15 PARISH YOUTH COUNCIL

Andy Mason from the Borough Council would be attended the last meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> July and the young people agreed the design of the new play equipment at Wheatley Lane. It is hoped that this can be installed by the end of September 2015.

#### 142/15 FINANCIAL REPORT

The accounts up to month ending July 2015 were agreed.

#### 143/15 GRANTS TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS

An application for grant aid from Winshill Parish FC was referred to the Grants Committee.

#### 144/15 REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID

		£	cheque no	minute no
Various	Plants etc.	93.23	843	237/14
Winshill Parish FC	Newsletter Delivery	300.00	844	237/14
Clerk	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr Expenses & Stationary	71.88	845	237/14
JRB Enterprise	Poop Scoop Bags	126.10	846	237/14
Amberol	Planter	396.00	847	237/14
Autumn Days	Grant Aid	300.00	848	123/15
Bearwood Hill Allot.	Grant Aid	334.46	849	123/15
Signcraft	Dalebrook Signs	696.00	850	237/14
ESBC	June 2015 Salaries	2,605.04	851	237/14
Clive Baker	Dalebrook Signs Artwork	200.00	852	237/14
Elizabeth Court	Grant Aid	250.00	853	123/15
WNRC	Buffet, Plants etc.	180.18	854	237/14

#### **Resolved:**

That payment of the above accounts is confirmed.

#### 145/15 CLERK AND MEMBERS' REPORTS

The need for outdoor gym equipment on the Canterbury Road Park was raised. Everyone agreed the need for better sports facilities in Winshill and suggested the need to work together to try and achieve this.

Councillor Rose mentioned his work with CAMRA to try and protect local pubs, in particular the Waterloo, Jubilee and Anglesey.

#### 146/15 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

#### **Resolved:**

That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at 7.30pm at the Neighbourhood Resource Centre.

## **PART II**

### **MATTERS OF A CONFIDENTIAL NATURE**

#### **147/15 REVIEW OF THE LENGTHSMAN'S SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT**

Members discussed how best to move forward following the decision of the current Lengthsman to leave on 14 August 2015. All options were considered including a SLA incorporating seasonal working, the employment of a handy man and the use of private contractors. The main areas of concern were the maintenance needed to the 15 flower beds and the watering of plants.

Members agreed that they should focus on the provision of the services required rather than the individual/s involved whilst looking at ways to reduce costs. It was agreed that the way forward was to have further discussions with T & D to see how this could be achieved. In the meantime it was agreed to try and manage after the 14<sup>th</sup> August 2015 for a while in order to take the time necessary to make the right decision.

The meeting finished at 8.55 pm.

Chairman