



WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Council held at Winshill Neighbourhood Resource Centre at 7.30 pm on Thursday 26th November 2015.

Present:

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

Also present:

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

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Councillor E Starmer.

MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No matters were raised.

PART I

207/15 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors D Fletcher, M Fletcher, North and Smith declared an interest in respect of their respective roles in the running of the Neighbourhood Resource Centre.

208/15 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd October 2015 were agreed and signed as correct records of events.

209/15 **CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence had been received:

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| a) Support Staffs | “Spot the Swan Project |
| b) SCC | Highway Winter Operations |
| c) T & D | Health & Safety/Risk Assessments – Minutes of Meeting |
| d) Hospital Lof F | Thank You for Donation of Christmas Hamper |
| e) T & D | Good Neighbour Scheme |
| f) SPCA | Annual General Meeting at Stafford on 7 th December 2015 |
| g) Ground Control | Clearing Vegetation from around Power Lines along Dale Brook |

It was agreed that the Parish Council would like to be involved in the “Spot the Swan” project subject to further details regarding funding etc. And that the Good Neighbour Scheme be referred to the WNRC Charity to consider further.

210/15 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following were reported:

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

P/2015/01452 Provision of delivery service from premises at 55 Bearwood Hill Road

P/2015/01444 Retention of outbuildings at 9 Queensland Crescent

P/2015/00870 Erection of a 10 dwellings (Amended Plans) at 40 Scalpcliffe Road

Members decided to raise no objections to any of the above.

211/15 **YOUTH SERVICES**

The County Councillor advised that there was nothing new to report.

212/15 **COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

The County Councillor reported that the surface dressing work had been completed in Winshill and whilst this was generally to a good standard certain areas, Moat Bank in particular, needed to be revisited. He advised that he had asked for the problems of parked vehicles at the Alexandra Road/Highbank Road Junction and the request for a crossing on Hawfield Lane to be his top priority on the divisional highway budget.

213/15 **BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Councillor Faulkner reported that the problem of water flowing onto Newton Road from the driveway of number 194 would finally be addressed by South Staffs Water in the next few days following repeated requests. Following a recent site inspection it was found that the footpaths between Vancouver and Kimberly Drives were the responsibility of the Highway Authority it was hoped that they could now be tidied up.

Councillor Fletcher mentioned the bids that had been put to the recent meeting of the Neighbourhood Forum including the proposed garden of reconciliation, the scheme to tidy up the frontage of Newton Road Recreation Ground and the siting of outdoor gymnasium equipment on Canterbury Road play area.

214/15 **NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE CO-ORDINATORS REPORT**

The Clerk and Administrator reported back on the recent meeting with Trent & Dove regarding their Health and Safety Assessment. The recommended actions now need to be considered by the WNRC Trust.

It was reported that the CAB was at present very busy whilst other groups were gaining in numbers. Two children's Christmas parties had been arranged together with a carol service with the help of community groups.

215/15 **PARISH PLAN**

There was nothing new to report.

216/15 **COMMUNITY/ PARISH FAYRE**

Councillor Smith reported that the organising committee had now booked Magical Mahem along with some different inflatables.

217/15 **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The public consultation on the Draft Plan was ongoing and would continue up to 5th December 2015. The consultant had undertaken consultation at the informal venues of The Sump PH, the Co-op Store on Church Hill and the One-Stop Store on Hawfield Lane on Saturday 7th November 2015. Members of the County, Borough and Parish Councils had met prior to the meeting at 6.30pm in order to agree a joint response to the consultation document. All that remained now was the invitation for the public to attend (drop in to) an exhibition at the Resource Centre on the afternoon of Saturday 5th December 2015.

218/15 **NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE**

The Autumn/Winter copy of the newsletter was in the process of being delivered. Following a discussion as to whether the Parish Council should put news articles on the “Love Burton” website it was agreed that in order to make an informed decision the matter be put on the agenda early in the New Year.

219/15 **REVIEW OF PLANTING/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**

Councillor Gaynor and her family were thanked for maintaining the Peace Wood prior to Remembrance Day. It was reported that whilst the Burton Mail had contributed two oak trees to the Peace Wood they would need relocating. It was agreed that the raising of money for the proposed memorial, for which there had been a recent press article, be put on the next agenda.

220/15 **PARISH YOUTH COUNCIL**

A date for the next meeting of the Youth Council needs to be arranged early in the new year to agree the location of the play equipment on Wheatley Lane prior to the installation in March 2016.

221/15 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The accounts up to month ending November 2015 were agreed.

222/15 **GRANTS TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

The Clerk tabled a copy of the request for grant aid made by Tower View Primary School in respect of a proposed environmental project. It was agreed that this be referred to the Grants Committee for further consideration.

The Grants Committee also reported on the request from Bright Futures Un-Ltd in respect of a self-esteem building project for year 6 pupils at Winshill and Holy Rosary Primary schools. This was followed by a discussion into the benefits of the project to the children.

Resolved:

That the sum of £250 be granted to support the esteem-building project by Bright Futures Un-Ltd subject to the money to be paid on delivery of the programme.

223/15 **REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID**

		£	cheque no	minute no
Clerk	July – Sep. Expenses etc.	63.73	873	237/14
Reflex	Newsletter Printing	444.00	874	237/14
ESBC	Sep. 2015 Salary Costs	1085.43	875	237/14
Various	Winshill in Bloom Costs	253.25	876	237/14
Hardy Signs	Peace Wood Board	732.00	877	237/14
ESBC	Oct. 2015 Salary Costs	1085.43	878	237/14
ESBC	Election Costs	103.56	879	237/14
JRB Enterprise Ltd	Poop Scoop Bags	126.10	880	237/14

Resolved:

That payment of the above accounts is confirmed.

224/15 **CLERK AND MEMBERS' REPORTS**

Councillor M Fletcher reported that along with Councillor Smith she had recently had the opportunity to talk to the County Council on the work carried out by the Neighbourhood Resource Centre. They had been suitably impressed which was somewhat ironic in light of the recent withdrawal of funding by them!

Reference was also made to the overhanging trees from St Mark's Church and an invitation from the Waterloo Pubic House for 17th December 2015.

225/15 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

Resolved:

That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Thursday 17th December 2015 at 7.30pm at the Neighbourhood Resource Centre.

PART II

MATTERS OF A CONFIDENTIAL NATURE

There were no matters of a confidential nature to discuss.

The meeting finished at 9.00 pm.

Chairman