

WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Council held at the Neighbourhood Resource Centre on Thursday, 24 January 2008 at 7.30 pm.

Present:

Councillors D F Fletcher (Chairman), D Bartram, S Edmonds, M Fletcher, P Hancox, J Muir, I North, R Patel, P Rose and J Scotland.

Also present:

S Taylor (Clerk) and Reverend Derek Dolman.

Apologies:

No apologies were received.

MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Reverend Dolman told members how he hoped that a wildlife area could be created along the Dale Brook with the involvement of the community. Conservation work has already been carried out by Lawrence Oakes of the Borough Council towards the Trent and it is intended that this work can be extended further upstream. The local churches are reported to be supportive of the project with the international organisation A Rocha willing to give advice. A presentation will be made to the Winshill Residents Association at its meeting on 6 February 2008. Members expressed their support in principal for the scheme.

1/08 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

2/08 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 December 2007 were approved and signed as a correct record.

3/08 CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported details of the following correspondence:

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| a) | Orbit Hosing | Handyman Service |
| b) | Dept. for Com.&LG | Regulations Relating to the Code of Conduct for Local Gvmt. |
| c) | ESBC | Register of Electors |
| d) | ESBC | Agenda and notes for the planning applications committee to be held at the Town Hall at 1400 on Monday 21 January 2008 |
| e) | ESBC | Meeting of Parish Councils' Forum to be held on 11 Feb. 2008 |
| f) | ESBC | First Forward Plan for the Calendar Year |
| g) | SPCA | Annual liaison Meeting with SCC on 21 February 2008 |
| h) | Janet Dean MP | Surgery Dates |
| i) | ESBC | Electronic Consultation on Planning Applications |
| j) | ESBC & SCC | New Standard Planning Application Forms |

4/08 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Chairman reported on the following:

- a) Applications that have been decided under delegated powers;
- b) Applications for which time to respond has now passed;
- c) Applications to which we can respond.

He informed the Meeting that acting in his capacity as a borough councillor he had asked that the application PA/20144/007, for the conversion of half of a coach house to a dwelling opposite Burton Flour Mill to a dwelling, to be considered by the Planning Committee following a site visit.

5/08 **MANAGEMENT AND RUNNING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE**

The Chairman of the Neighbourhood Resource Centre Strategic Partnership Board up-dated the members on the new approach of SCC's Community and Learning Partnership Management Advisory Group with regard to future funding. This was to be on a campus basis in Winhill with 37% of the available funding going to the centre.

The proposed funding from the Parish Council was also discussed.

Resolved:

- That the Parish Council's £5,000 contribution be specifically made with regard to funding the role of the Administrator.

6/08 **PARISH PLAN**

In the event of a lack of interest from any companies to produce the questionnaires, send them out and collate the responses, the Parish Plan Sub-committee had agreed a fall-back strategy to devise the questionnaires and to pay for them to be delivered by an agency.

The proposed timetable is:

March – Send out questionnaires

April/May – Collate responses

June/July/August – Exhibition/Public Meetings

September – Finalise Parish Plan

7/08 **THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT WHITE PAPER**

There was nothing further to report at present on the White Paper.

8/08 **NEWSLETTER**

The spring edition of the Newsletter would be distributed at the end of March in conjunction with the questionnaire for the local plan. Articles should be available in draft by the date of the next Parish Council Meeting.

9/08 **WINSHILL SIGNS**

It was agreed that examples be brought to the February meeting for consideration.

10/08 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Clerk updated members on expenditure up to the end of January 2008.

11/08 **GRANTS TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

The grant of £1000 had been paid to Winshill Methodist Church on completion of their improvements.

No new grant applications had been received.

12/08 **REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID**

		£	Cheque no
Lengthsman	Mileage & Equipment	31.76	216
BT	Quarterly Bill	169.48	217
ESBC	Code of Conduct Advert	22.00	218
Midland Newspapers	Newsletter Delivery	51.47	219
Various	Christmas Decorations	157.32	220
ESBC	November Salaries	1753.85	221
Bizz Energy	Monthly Electricity Charge	142.99	222
Burton Mail	Advertisement for Parish Plan	290.46	223
Lengthsman	Annual Bonus	50.00	224
CASES	Administrator Quarterly Charge	6000.00	225
Audit Commission	Fees	493.50	226
ESBC	December Salaries	1718.02	227
Screwfix Direct	Circuit Breaker	8.47	228
Clerk	Oct. – Dec. Mileage & Expenses	123.49	229

Resolved:

That payment of the above accounts is confirmed.

13/08 **COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

The scrutiny report on care homes had been completed.

14/08 **REPORTS OF BOROUGH COUNCILLOR**

The Youth Centre was on target for completion and would incorporate a radio transmission studio and a cinema. The centre would be open 5 days a week.

15/08 **CLERK AND MEMBERS' REPORTS**

It was agreed that a tour of the Parish should be made to identify sites for new planters.

There would be an Easter fair at the Resource Centre on 15 March.

Members expressed concern about the reliability of bus services in Winshill. It was agreed that details should be provided to enable a letter to be sent to the bus company expressing concern.

16/08 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

Resolved:

That the next Meeting of the Council be held on 28 February 2008 at 7.30 pm.

Chairman