

WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

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

Present:

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

Also present:

S Taylor (Clerk).

Apologies:

Apologies were received from D Bartram, P Hancox and R Patel.

MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

102/08 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made.

103/08 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 26 June 2008 were approved and signed as a correct record.

104/08 **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk reported details of the following correspondence:

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| a) | SCC | Community Gangs |
| b) | Andy Bloor | Newton Road Rec. Changing Rooms |
| c) | ESBC | Seventh Forward Plan for the Calendar Year |
| d) | ESBC | Agenda for the planning applications committee to be held at the Town Hall at 1400 on Monday 21 July 2008 |
| e) | ESBC | Parish Councils' Forum |
| f) | ESBC | Wishes for the Arts in East Staffs |
| g) | SPCA | Training and Update |
| e) | Audit Commission | 31 March 2008 Return |

It was agreed that the Chairman contact the Leader of the Borough Council regarding the request for the changing rooms at Newton Road Rec. to be renovated.

It was also agreed that someone from SCC be invited to the September 2008 Meeting to discuss the role of the lingsman and community gangs in the parish.

105/08 **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.

Resolved:

That the Council objects with regard to PA /15487/02 for a new dwelling on Rosemount Road on the grounds that the 3 storey nature of the proposal would have an overbearing and incongruous effect on the character of the Scalpcliffe Road at this location. Further the proposal would appear cramped in this rear garden location.

106/08 **MANAGEMENT AND RUNNING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE**

The Chairman of the Neighbourhood Resource Centre Strategic Partnership Board updated members on the funding of the Resource Centre.

Arrangements for the appointment of a new administrator for the centre should be in place by the 30 July 2008, with the advert going out in August/September 2008. In the meantime the temporary administrator would continue.

107/08 **PARISH PLAN**

The next stage is to collate the information gathered into an action plan. The next meeting of the sub-committee would be arranged for early September 2008.

108/08 **NEWSLETTER**

It was agreed that articles for the autumn edition which will replace the summer edition should be provided by the 28 August, and that the pupils from Abbot Beyne again carry out the delivery in September.

109/08 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Members were advised of the financial position as at the end of July 2008.

Members agreed to review the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations at the August or September 2008 meeting.

The risk assessment seminar attended by the Clerk and Vice-Chairman was also discussed.

Resolved:

That the Parish Council subscribe to the Zurich Municipal Local Council Advisory Service.

110/08 **GRANTS TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

The request for a grant towards a new overhead projector made by the Methodist Church was considered.

Members were also made aware of potential requests for grants from two children’s play groups and Epworth House.

Resolved:

That a grant of £1000 be made to Winshill Methodist Church towards the cost of a new overhead projector.

111/08 **REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID**

		£	Cheque no
Bizz Energy	May Electricity Bill	171.56	265
Amberol Ltd	Planters	2,891.08	266
Bretby Nurseries	Compost	156.00	267
T Pearce	Cleaning	37.50	268
S Stone	Mileage & Equipment	114.71	269
J Taylor	Internal Audit	50.00	270
Abbot Beyne	Logo Competition	205.00	271
Abbot Beyne	Namibia Project Grant	1,000.00	272
Zurich Municipal	Training Course	105.75	273
ESBC	June Salaries	1,946.90	274
Bizz Energy	June Electricity Bill	96.74	275

Resolved:

That payment of the above accounts is confirmed.

112/08 **COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

It was reported that Harvey Girls had received a significant lottery grant. £3Million had been made available in Staffordshire for additional community support officers. £2Millon had been added to the highways budget to deal with the backlog of problems.

113/08 **REPORTS OF BOROUGH COUNCILLOR**

The postponed summer holiday activities would now be taking place on 20 August 2008.

114/08 **CLERK AND MEMBERS’ REPORTS**

It was suggested that the Parish Council logo be incorporated on letters as well as painted on the trailer.

It was reported that problems had been experienced with some of the planters being overturned - remedial measures were being pursued.

115/08 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

Resolved:

That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Thursday 28 August at 7.30 pm at The Neighbourhood Resource Centre.

Chairman