



## **WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Council held at the Neighbourhood Resource Centre on Thursday, 28 January 2010 at 7.30 pm.

### **Present:**

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

### **Also present:**

S Taylor (Clerk), K Lamb (County Councillor) and Ranbir Sahotya (ESBC).

### **Apologies:**

Apologies were received from P Hancox and R Patel.

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

Ms Sahotya explained the proposed community event in Winshill around late May 2010 to be organised by the Worklessness Task and Finishing Group. This will bring mainstream support to help local people look for opportunities to return to employment.

### **1/10 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made.

### **2/10 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meetings held on 26 November 2009 and 17 December 2009 were approved and signed as a correct record.

### **3/10 CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk reported details of the following correspondence:

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|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| a) Queens Hospital     | Scanner Appeal                       |
| b) ESBC                | Play Partnerships                    |
| c) ESBC                | Council Tax Base for 2010/2011       |
| d) ESBC                | Dog Control Orders                   |
| e) SCC                 | Local Services Consultation          |
| f) SCC                 | Local Library Services Review        |
| g) The Advertiser      | Future Leaflet Delivery Arrangements |
| h) Janet Dean MP       | Surgery Dates for 2010               |
| i) SCC                 | Winter Gritting Schedule             |
| j) Staffs Com. Council | Best Kept Village Competition        |
| k) SPCA                | Training Courses and Newsletter      |

#### 4/10 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Clerk reported on the following:

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

#### 5/10 **MANAGEMENT AND RUNNING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE**

The Chairman of the Strategic Partnership Board/Advisory Committee updated members on recent developments.

Most of the arrangements with the Cleaner had been formalised. The Clerk would provide draft grievance and disciplinary procedures and the possibility of providing some training would be explored with Trent and Dove at the next SPB meeting.

It was reported that the role and responsibilities of the co-ordinator was currently being reviewed.

**Resolved:**

To purchase a new vacuum cleaner for the Neighbourhood Resource Centre.

#### 6/10 **PARISH PLAN**

The Vice-Chairman of the Parish Plan Committee updated members on the progress of the Parish Plan. This included budget estimates for the Summer Fayre (£2,000), planting (£4,000 with ESBC WASPs to put in £6,000) and notice boards at the Youth Centre and NRC (£800). Other major initiatives included the setting up of a Winshill Design Statement Working Group and looking into the possibilities of creating a youth parish council.

#### 7/10 **NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE**

It was suggested that the spring/Easter edition of the newsletter could be distributed by pupils from Abbot Beyne School.

The need for working to a timetable with a clear deadline was reiterated to enable contributors to have sufficient notice to submit articles. The Clerk would provide this.

#### 8/10 **REVIEW OF PLANTING/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**

The service level agreement drawn up with Trent & Dove for employing and managing the new lengthsman on behalf of the Parish Council was discussed. It was agreed to go back to them on certain operation aspects of the agreement.

Several litter hot spots that had been identified had been reported to ESBC for their attention. It was agreed that the future need for the storage container and trailer should be reviewed.

#### 9/10 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Members were advised of the financial position as at the end of January 2010 and the likely balance at the end of the financial year.

#### 10/10 **GRANTS TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

There were no applications to consider.

11/10 **REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID**

		£	Cheque no
Reflex Printing	Newsletter	384.00	391
Burton Mail	Newsletter Delivery	86.25	392
Audit Commissions	Annual Audit	460.00	393
Zurich Municipal	Annual Insurance	341.25	394
Carr Gom	Grant	400.00	395
Livens	Keys	12.55	396
English Landscapes	Supply/water Planters	5424.99	397
ESBC	Nov/Dec Salaries	1973.76	398
Fletchers Coaches	Pantomime Trip	150.00	399
Co-op	Refreshments	7.57	400

**Resolved:**

That payment of the above accounts is confirmed.

12/10 **PACT MEETING REPORT**

Recent issues raised included the fence at the bottom of Bearwood Hill, the steps between The Waterloo PH and Highbank Road and the need for hedge trimming on Ashby Road.

13/10 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

The County Councillor updated members on local highways issues including the need for minor improvement works at the Swan Junction, progress on a possible one-way system in Alexandra Road and the likelihood that the speed limits on Ashby Road will remain the same.

14/10 **BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

There Borough Councillor advised members on the progress he had made meeting with the young people in the parish.

15/10 **CLERK AND MEMBERS' REPORTS**

Progress on organising the Winshill Village Fayre was going well with the next meeting taking place on 10 February 2010.

A letter of thanks had been received from the residents of Hepworth House for the grant towards their Christmas festivities.

The Christmas pantomime attended by the over 50's had been a success event.

16/10 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

**Resolved:**

That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Thursday 25 February 2010 at 7.30 pm at The Neighbourhood Resource Centre.

The meeting finished at 21.15 hours.

Chairman