



WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Council held at the Neighbourhood Resource Centre on Thursday, 26 February 2009 at 7.30 pm.

Present:

J Scotland (Vice Chairman), D Bartram, M Gale, P Hancox, I North, J Muir and P Rose.

Also present:

S Taylor (Clerk).

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Councillors D Fletcher (Chairman), M Fletcher and S Edmonds.

MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

16/09 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There was no declaration of interests made.

17/09 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 22 February 2009 were approved and signed as a correct record.

18/09 CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported details of the following correspondence:

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| a) ESBC | Code of Conduct |
| b) ESBC | Council Tax 2009/2010 |
| c) CASES | Information Poster- Help is at Hand |
| d) ESBC | Agenda for the planning applications committee to be held at the Town Hall, Uttoxeter at 1400 on Monday 16 February 2009 |
| e) Janet Dean MP | Anti-Social Behaviour Handbook |
| f) Staffs Comm. Council | News and Views |
| g) SCC | Community Paths Initiative 2009/2010 |
| h) Mrs V Day | Parish Plan |

It was noted that a letter had been sent as previously agreed to the Borough Council outlining the achievements of the Heart of Burton Partnership.

19/09 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Clerk 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.

20/09 MANAGEMENT AND RUNNING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE

The Chairman of the Neighbourhood Resource Centre sub-committee reported back:

Attendances at the centre were now up.

At the last Strategic Partnership Group meeting it was agreed that agenda items in future should be more strategic with the Administrator dealing with the more day to day matters.

It was agreed that it was premature for the Centre to have its own bank account and manage its own finances separate to the Parish Council. However, the possibility of more of the small non-recurring costs being built into the administration contract with Trent & Dove would be investigated.

21/09 PARISH PLAN

The printed copy of the plan as previously agreed by the Council was circulated at the meeting. It remained for the front cover to be finalised. Also as an alternative to the Royal Mail the option of having the Parish Plan delivered with the C&LP's Parish Directory was considered.

Resolved:

- That the cover of the Parish Plan be approved subject to it including the Parish Council Logo.
- That the option of delivering the Parish Plan to every door along with the Directory at a cost of around £1000 be pursued.

22/09 NEWSLETTER

It was agreed that the Easter edition of the Newsletter might best be delivered by the Trader with additional copies being distributed to organisations and placed in locations used by the public or if possible along with the Parish Plan.

Articles for the next issue will be required by 13 March. In this respect it was agreed that a two sided newsletter would suffice on this occasion.

23/09 REVIEW OF PLANTING/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

Following the meeting with the Heart of Burton Partnership regard to investigating areas to carry out planting for the spring two schedules were drawn up. The Manners Estate enhancement scheme would be funded by the H of B at a cost of £7785 and the non Manners Estate enhancement scheme would be funded from The Council's maintenance budget at a cost of £3160. Both of these schemes would help in achieving Parish Plan targets. It was agreed that an invoice be delivered to the H of B as soon as possible in view of it being wound-up at the end of March 2009.

24/09 **SPEED LIMITS ON ASHBY ROAD**

The possibility of reducing the speed limit along part of Ashby Road from 40 mph to 30 mph was discussed. It was agreed that a report be brought back to the March meeting following the consultation with residents.

25/09 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Members were advised of that the financial position as at the end of February 2009 was running close to budget.

26/09 **GRANTS TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

A request had been received for grant aid had been received by the Grants Sub-committee from Bearwood Hill Allotment Association. This was for £170 towards the cost of putting a storage container including planning permission.

Resolved:

That a grant of £170 be made to Bearwood Hill Allotment Association be made towards the cost of applying for planning permission for a storage container.

27/09 **REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID**

		£	Cheque no
Lenghsman	Mileage, Equipment, etc	68.28	326
Chairman	Stationary re Parish Plan	17.50	327
S. Staffs Water	Quarterly Charge	73.58	328
ESBC	January Salaries	1968.66	329
ESBC	Trade Refuse	51.13	330
Royal Mail	Freepost	78.69	331
ESBC	Electronic Copy of Electors	27.50	332
V.Day	Questionnaire Prize Draw	50.00	333
L. Mulholland	Questionnaire Prize Draw	30.00	334
L. Osbourne	Questionnaire Prize Draw	20.00	335

Resolved:

That payment of the above accounts is confirmed.

28/09 **PACT MEETING REPORT**

There were only two members of the public at the last meeting due to the heavy snow.

29/09 **COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

The rates for 2009/2010 had been set at a 2.45% increase with the County rate still being amongst the lowest in the country.

Discussions were still ongoing with officers regarding the possibility of removing the parking restrictions on The Level.

30/09 **REPORTS OF BOROUGH COUNCILLOR**

There were no matters to report.

31/09 **CLERK AND MEMBERS' REPORTS**

The Burton East Sports Trust would be having its inaugural meeting on 12 March 2009.
Membership would be £12 per annum.

32/09 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

Resolved:

That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Thursday 26 March 2009 at
7.30 pm at The Neighbourhood Resource Centre.

Chairman