

WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Council held at Winshill Village Primary School, Winshill on Thursday, 23rd February 2006.

Present:

Councillors D F Fletcher (Chairman), D Bartram, M Fletcher, M Gale, R Patel, P Rose, J Scotland and A White.

Also present:

Borough Councillor P A Hancox and Mr S Taylor (Clerk).

Apologies:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors F Bartram, J Muir and Councillor M Costelloe due to illness.

18/06 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

19/06 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

20/06 MINUTES

Councillor Patel stated that he had sent his apologies for absence; otherwise the Minutes of the Meeting held on 26th January 2006 were approved and signed as a correct record.

21/06 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

22/06 CORRESPONDENCE

The Chairman reported details of the following correspondence:

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| a) Money Spider | Credit Union in Burton |
| b) SCC | Local Bus Services - Consultation |
| c) ESBC | Electoral Register for Winshill |
| d) ESBC | Minutes of Parish Councils Forum |
| e) Bank of Scotland | Deposit Rates |
| f) ESBC | Agenda and notes for the planning applications committee to be held at the Town Hall at 1400 on Monday 20 th February 2006 |
| g) PCT | Contribution towards Area Housing Office Alterations & Costs |
| h) Social Services | Funds available for Alterations to Area Housing Office |
| j) SPCA | Training Programme and 2006 Salary Awards |
| k) SCC | Chairman's Civic Service |
| l) ESBC | Second Forward Plan for 2006 |
| m) Trent & Dove | Licence to Occupy Document |

23/06 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.

Members considered the outline application for residential development at the former Winshill Infants School – OU/16144/003 and the revised application for erecting two dwellings to the rear of 40Brough Road – PA/30097/005.

Resolved:

- To ask if highway improvements to Church Hill Street close to its junction with Hawfield Lane can be taken into consideration as part of the development proposed for application OU/16144/003 at the former Winshill Infants School.
- To object to application PA/30097/005 on the grounds of inadequate access and turning facilities for delivery vehicles and lack of garden space in accordance with planning policies T3 and H24.

24/06 MANAGEMENT AND RUNNING OF THE FORMER AREA HOUSING OFFICE – PROGRESS REPORT

Members were updated on the meetings of the sub-committee as follows:

Meeting held on 30th January 2006.

Those present were: Councillors D Bartram, D Fletcher, M Gale, J Scotland and the Clerk.

The minutes of the meeting Winshill Resource Centre Management Committee held on 24th January 2006 were discussed.

Resolved:

To write to Trent & Dove

- *Asking for a copy of the draft standard licence for letting for checking of terms and conditions*
- *Stating that whilst PC intends to work with Management Committee, in the event of any conflict the responsibilities of the PC must override any decision taken by the Management Committee*
- *Asking that the Terms of Reference of the Management Committee be changed to assisting and advising on the use of the centre, as only PC has legal right to enter into or cancel an agreement (licence) with potential users*

Meeting held on 20th February 2006.

Those present were: Councillors D Fletcher, M Gale, J Scotland and the Clerk.

The minutes of the meeting Winshill Resource Centre Management Committee held on 3rd February 2006 were discussed together with the agenda for the forthcoming meeting on 24th February 2006.

All of the points raised by the PC had been taken on board, although a copy of the licence was still to be prepared.

The running and initial capital costs were considered. Correspondence had been received from both the PCT and Social Services undertaking to meet the running costs of £16,000 and contribute towards the capital costs of £10,500.

The need to progress the alterations and redecorating at estimates of £2745 and £3050 Were considered.

Resolved:

- *To ensure that any proposals for use of the centre are sent first to the PC, who will then consult the management committee before deciding whether to enter into a Licence Agreement*
- *To ask Trent & Dove to go ahead with the alterations and decorating works as soon as possible*
- *To agree to fund a third of the initial renovation costs up to a value of £5000 (estimated at £3500)*

Resolved:

- To note the action taken to-date by the sub-committee in securing the lease for the former Area Housing Office and to continue to delegate such powers to the sub-committee as are necessary to deal with the day to day management of the facility.
- To confirm a capital contribution of up to £5,000 towards the renovation costs.

25/06 COMMUNITY PATHS AND NEW ONE-ACRE WOODS

It was agreed that the Parish Council should consider making a bid to The National Forest Company for a New One-Acre Wood with members reporting back to the next meeting following discussions with the landowners concerned.

The Clerk informed the meeting that he had made a bid for funding to the County Council's Community Paths Initiative for the Circular Walk Around the Parish published in a previous edition of the Newsletter.

26/06 CONSIDERATIONS REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF OPEN SPACES AND PLAY AREAS TO THE PARISH

Nothing further had been heard from the Borough Council on this issue.

The Chairman reported on the current progress in providing a facility for the Lengthsman to store equipment on the allotments.

27/06 PROPOSAL FOR RESIDENTS HOME SUPPORT SCHEME/HANDYMAN SCHEME

It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting when everyone had had a further opportunity to consider the information provided by Sue Falder of Orbit Housing.

28/06 NEWSLETTER

Members were reminded that the next Issue of the Newsletter would be done jointly with the Borough Council's Wasps Initiative. Articles need to be with the Borough Council by the end of February.

29/06 FINANCE/GRANT APPLICATIONS

Members were presented with the financial position at 23rd February 2006. The Grant Applications received from the Methodist Church and St. Marks Church were discussed. It was agreed that both applications merited a grant for a discrete part of their substantial improvements – provision of disabled toilet facilities in the case of the Methodist Church and contribution towards footpath improvements at St. Marks Church. Both organisations would be happy to receive the grants on completion of the works.

Resolved:

To make a grant of £1000 to the Methodist Church for the provision of disabled toilet facilities and £1000 to St. Marks Church towards improvements to the footpaths in the churchyard.

30/06 REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID

			Cheque no
Mr S Taylor	Office Equipment	£367.24	68
ESBC	January Salaries	£1092.97	69
ESBC	Newsletter Printing	£620.40	70
SPCA	CiCLA Training	£275.00	71
Mr S Stone	Dec/Jan Mileage	£26.88	72

Resolved:

That payment of the above accounts are confirmed.

31/06 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

There were no matters to report.

32/06 REPORTS OF BOROUGH COUNCILLORS

The Borough Council was organising a Ward Action Service Plan event in Winshill on Saturday 22nd of March aimed at involving the community in activities such as healthy eating, a cleaner environment and enhancing the ward generally. It was agreed that the Community Resource Centre should be used if available by then.

It was suggested that the Parish Council write to the Borough regarding the area of open space considered surplus to requirements in Vancouver Drive, suggesting it be given to the Parish Council to maintain as a community facility.

33/06 CLERK AND MEMBERS' REPORTS

The Clerk reported on the Parish Brief being carried out for Winshill by the Neighbourhood Wardens from the Borough Council. Councillors D Fletcher, M Fletcher, Hancox and Scotland agreed to meet up with them on Thursday 9th March at 10.00 a.m.

It was agreed that that an order be given for providing a Perspex front to the notice board after the Chairman been given an estimate of £350 for the work.

34/06 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved:

That the next Meeting be held on Thursday 23rd March 2006 at 7.30 pm.

Chairman