

WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of the Winsham Parish Council held in the Jubilee Hall at 7.45 p.m. on Friday, March 2nd, 1979.

Present; _____ The Rev. B. L. Bateson (Chairman), Major K.I. Cameron, Mrs. P.J. Cameron, Miss M.I. Churchill, Mrs. M. Fowler, Miss B. Harding, Mrs. Rose, Mr. F.W.D. Withers, Miss M. Wren and Mr. R.M. Smart (Parish Clerk).

An apology was received from Mr. K. Wetherall (District Councillor).

561 The Minutes of the last meeting held on Friday, December 8th, 1978, having been circulated were signed as correct.

562 Matters arising

- 1) Ref 551 (1). The igloo for the small recreation ground was not yet ready.
- 2) Ref 551 (2). Exemption from V.A.T. No progress was reported.
- 3) Ref 551 (3). Letters had been delivered to tenants on the new estate at Davies Close asking people to drive slowly there.
- 4) Ref 551 (4). Nothing had yet been done about the wired-up gate leading to the footpath to Winsham Church and opposite Mr. Ewins bungalow. It was not clear who was responsible for this.
- 5) Ref 551 (5). The Highway Department had not provided the promised advance direction sign in Church Street and the Clerk was asked to remind them.
- 6) Ref 551 (6). No light had been attached yet to the telegraph pole in Bakersfield.

563 Planning Applications

- 1) The application to build a bungalow and garage at Springhead had been refused.
- 2) The application by Mr. Hollings for the erection of a bungalow at the rear of Church Street had been refused.
- 3) The appeal by Miss Churchill against refusal of permission to build a bungalow at Forge House had been discussed.
- 4) Permission had been granted to Mr. Hawker to make a hard standing at 20 Western Way.
- 5) An application had been received from Mr. Hame to build a farmhouse at Kilina Farm, Winsham.
- 6) An application had been received from Mr. Ewins to build a bungalow and garage at Oakleigh.
- 7) An appeal had been lodged by Mrs. Elkins regarding the pedestrian access to the George.
- 8) The Council viewed with concern the proposed change of use of Winsham Stores to residential accommodation as being a further loss to village amenities. The Clerk was asked to inform the District Council.

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Planning Applications Cont'd/

9) Outline application by Mr. Wheaton for a dwelling in Court Street. The Chairman read out a copy of a letter sent by Mr. Stewart to Yeovil District Council protesting against the application by Mr. Wheaton, to build a bungalow on land adjacent to his property. He also read out a letter from Mr. D. Griffin in favour of the proposal.

Miss Harding said that very poor plans were provided for our Planning Committee. Major Cameron said that we should let the Council know that we were concerned about the inadequacy of the plans and we hoped that the Council would make sure of the correctness of the boundaries of the properties before coming to a decision.

10) Mr. Smart was asked to write to Yeovil District Council to say that we were very concerned that Mr. Dungey's caravan had not yet been moved as permission had only been granted for it to remain up to November 1st, 1978.

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Payments

RESOLVED to approve the following payments:-

Mr. R. Ashman for the erection of 36 footpath signposts (including V.A.T.)	£58.
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Mr. R.M. Smart, Clerk's Emoluments, October - December 31st	£30.00

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Any Other Business

- 1) An application had been received from Mr. Fawcett to erect a memorial, which was approved.
- 2) The Clerk said that local elections would be held on May 3rd, 1979 from 8.0 a.m. till 9.0 p.m. If poll cards were required, this would cost 9p per elector and would amount to £50 approx. As the cost would have to be borne by our Parish Council it was decided not to have poll cards.
- 3) Mr. Smart said that due to pressure of work he would like to vacate the clerkship as soon as a suitable replacement had been found, but he would be pleased to help the Council in any way he could and was considering standing for election as a Councillor.
- 4) The Clerk reported that the road from Winsham to the A30 (Crewkerne Hill) had been designated as an access route in the County Council's Route Hierarchy Plan.
- 5) In the 1977 Somerset Population Survey. Winsham had a population of 655 as against 618 in 1971. The number of households in 1977 was 260.
- 6) It was reported that the bier had disappeared from Winsham cemetery. It was agreed that the police should be notified about this.

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Dates of Next Meetings

The next meeting of the Winsham Parish Council was arranged for Friday, April 6th at 7.45 p.m.

The Annual Parish Meeting was arranged for Friday, April 27th at 7. 45 p. m.

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Date.....

Signed

(Chairman)