

## WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Winsham Parish Council held on 11th March 1988 in the Jubilee Hall at 8.00 p.m.

Present: Mrs M Loaring (in the Chair), Mrs R Rose, Miss E Cleave,  
Mrs C Douglass, Mr D Woodward, Mr D Howers, Mr C Slade,  
Mrs M Fowler. Mr K S F Harvie (Clerk).

### 109. Apologies for absence.

Received from Mr R M Smart, The Police, Mrs M Montagnon  
(County Cllr:)

### 110. Minutes.

After the deletion of Planning item 380154 - Min: 100 and item on Mr Howers - Min: 105, the minutes of the meeting on 12th February 1988 were signed as a true record.

### 111. Matters arising.

Ref: Min: 99. 'No Dogs' Signs. These are not yet installed. Mrs Loaring will bring the matter of dogs fouling public places to the notice of Mr Fisher. A Dog Warden has been appointed in Somerset but it is thought unlikely he will be seen in Winsham.

ROAD CLOSURE. Mrs Loaring has received many complaints about the inadequate signing and asked for Councillor's comments. It was generally thought that additional signs are necessary. A sign at Maudlin Cross stating 'Access only to Winsham and directing traffic left to Chard, would be helpful. The County Council Highways Division will be contacted.

Ref: Min: 100. PLANNING MEETING. A letter from Mr Johnson of the District Planning Dept was read stating that no alteration to the Winsham Development Limit was envisaged.

CHARD LOCAL PLAN. It was decided not to purchase a copy of the Inspector's Report on Modifications,

Ref: Min: 101. PURTIKGTON. No Planning Application for tipping has been received.

Ref: Min: 103. WEIGHT LIMIT. The County Surveyor's Dept will look into the request for a limit through Winsham.

Ref: Min: 107. PLAY EQUIPMENT INSPECTION. A reply to our letter states that the See Saw plank reaches 2 inches from the ground and is dangerous. The Clerk was asked to write to the Manufacturers on the subject.

Ref: Min: 108. REPAIRS TO ROAD SURFACES. A letter from the Highways Dept states that repairs will be carried out 'as soon as resources allow'.

### 112. Planning.

880154 Extension to dwelling. 'Downlands', Ebben Lane, Winsham.  
This has been recommended for approval.

873372 Leigh House Farm. Conversion of Old Coach House.  
A revised plan will be discussed by the Planning Committee.

880479 Conversion of Barn into dwelling. 'Innisfree', Purtington.  
This will be discussed by the Planning Committee.

872607 Higher Chalkway.  
This has been approved.

### 113. Mr L Fisher. Did not attend the meeting.

114. Donation to the Parish Magazine.

It was decided not to make a contribution. Mrs Rose said the Magazine is financially sound. The Clerk will reply to the Thorncombe Parish Council.

115. Rights of Way.

It was decided not to take the District Council's offer of maintenance of footpaths.

116. Grass Cutting.

A quotation has been received from B Powell & Son. Nothing from the D.L.O. A second quotation will be sought. At least two quotes must be tendered to satisfy the Auditors.

117. Footway Lighting & Nameplates.

On Footway Lighting, the Clerk was asked to write to the County Council, chasing a reply to letters forwarded from the District Council. The Clerk had received a 'phone call from Mr Hughes, District Technical Dept regarding nameplates. These are to be supplied shortly. This matter will be kept in mind.

118. Fence in the Children's Recreation Ground.

No reply from the District Council Chief Executive. The Clerk was asked to write to Mr Paddy Ashdown MP on the subject and also the Insurance Company stating that the Parish Council absolve themselves of any responsibility for an accident while the fence is in its present condition.

119. Annual Parish Meeting.

This was fixed for Wednesday, 20th April 1988 at 8.00 p.m. in the Jubilee Hall.

120. Winsham Wander.

This was provisionally set for 23rd April, but may be changed by the Route Committee taking silage cutting into consideration.

121. Receipts and Payments.

Received £5 from Mr R Norton re: Lionel Hoare Memorial.  
Balance: Current Account £110.81p.  
Deposit Account £787.50p.

122. Correspondence.

Assistance to Village Halls by Parish Councils. This will be passed to Mr R M Smart for perusal.  
Somerset Radio. This will start on 11th April 1988.  
Regarding T/V coverage. Mrs Loaring wrote re: this and the Western Daily Press are printing a centre spread on the matter.  
National Playing Assn. Asking for a donation. On Agenda for next meeting.  
Transfer of functions to Parish and Town Councils. This will not take place because of several difficulties stated.

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Any other business.

Mrs Rose asked for the Local Postmaster to attend the Annual Parish Meeting to report on the proposed closure of Sub-Post offices. Mrs Fowler reported the Cemetery Litter Bin is full. A working party was fixed for 10.30 a.m. on 26th March to deal with the problem.

The next meeting will be on Friday, 8th April 1988.