

WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Winsham Parish Council held on the 12th February 1988 in the Jubilee Hall at 8.00 p.m.

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

Before opening the meeting Mrs M Loaring gave a tribute to the late Mr George Grabham. She said Mr Grabham had been a Parish Councillor from 1964 to 1970; he wore a lot of hats and did a lot for the Village.

97. Apologies for absence.

Received from The Police, Mrs C Douglass and Mr L Fisher (Dist: Cllr:).

98. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on 8th January 1988 were signed as a true record.

99. Matters arising.

Ref: Min: 88. 'NO DOGS' Signs. Mr Slade said the signs could be fixed to the existing metal straps.
Sign for the Cemetery. It was confirmed that the Clerk would prepare the sign.

Temporary Closure of the B3162. This will start on February 29th for approx: 4 weeks. Mrs Loaring stated the alternative route. The Clerk was asked to write to Stennings of Merriottsford regarding the planned route of the Winsham - Chard service during the period.

Ref: Min: 91. Sewerage. The smell had not been so bad of late. A Site meeting with South West Water was planned some time ago. Mrs Loaring will contact Mr Fisher on the subject.

Ref: Min: 92. Court Street. County Highways and South West Water have both inspected the problem. It was decided to leave the matter in the hands of County Highways.

Ref: Min: 93. Footpath Marker Posts. It was decided not to accept the offer of help from the M.S.C. Mr Rowers said he would undertake the work.

100. Planning.

880154- Extension to dwelling.

"Downlands", Ebben Lane, Winsham.

It was decided to recommend approval.

872106 Court Farm.

872607 Higher Chalkway.

873372 Leigh House Farm.

872432 Steadway.

871873 Plum Tree Cottage.

Nothing to report on these applications.

No reply received to our letter asking for decisions following the meeting between the Winsham Planning Committee, Mr Clotworthy and colleagues.

After a second letter, Mr Burden of the District Planning Department 'phoned the Clerk saying the first letter had been mislaid. A letter on the subject will be forthcoming.

The Clerk was asked to chase the provision of Street Nameplates. Chard Local Plan. The Inspector's Report on modifications is available for perusal in Chard. It was considered this to be unsatisfactory and the Clerk was asked to write requesting a copy.

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101. Mrs M Montagnon.

Whatley Bottom. The restoration of the land will go ahead when the weather improves.

Purtington. The sweeper has worked along the road, but apparently has only swept the mud into the gardens. A Planning Application will be submitted for the tipping of soil on land at Purtington.

Rubble Dumping at Street. This has now been cleared up.

Mrs Montagnon gave apologies for absence from the next meeting.

102. Street Light and Street Nameplates.

No reply received to letter to the District Council dated 11th January. The Clerk will chase this.

Nameplates. The Clerk will chase the provision of these.

103. Weight Limit through Winsham.

The Clerk was asked to write to the County Surveyor requesting this. The Cross roads and the narrow Winsham Bridge will be put forward as a case.

104. Council Finances.

The details, having been circulated to the Councillors, was discussed. Mr Smart said according to Paragraph 3 the new conditions made little or no difference to Parish Councils.

105. Grass Cutting.

It was decided to seek quotations from B E Powell & Sons and the Direct Labour Organisation. Mr Howers asked if he could tender a price. He was told yes.

106. Receipts and Payments.

Received - £35.00 from H Bishop & Son re; the late Mr G Grabham. To pay - Clerk's Pay £82.67p.

Balance - Current Account £153.48p. Deposit Account £787.50p.

107. Correspondence.

Received from:

Thorncombe Parish Council. Asking for a donation towards the Parish Magazine. This will be on the Agenda for the next meeting.

Rights of way and Footpaths. On the Agenda for the next meeting.

Boundary Commission. Details of proposed changes.

Health Council. Asking for details of anyone having difficulties in obtaining medical attention.

Play Equipment Inspection. Tyre inserts for the SEE Saw suggested by the Inspector. Local Councillors do not agree. The Clerk will write stating this.

School Governors. All Governors retire on 31st August 1988. Nominations to be submitted.

Telephone call from Mrs Jean Smith asking to be allowed to plant shrubs on the Sawyer Graves in Winsham Cemetery. This was approved.

108. Any other business.

The Clerk was asked to write requesting the fence between the Children's Recreation Ground and No 1

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Davies Close. Mr Slade asked the Clerk to write requesting attention to the Pathway and Road. Also repairs to the road at Bakersfield. Mr Smart reported on the Jubilee Hall. The chimney, from which masonry recently fell, is in a dangerous condition and it has been decided to remove it. Planning permission will be needed for this. The Grants applied for are expected to be approved shortly. The latest estimated cost of the works is £17.800. The **work** should start in April and finish in June.

The next meeting will be on 11th March 1988.