

W I N S H A M P A R I S H C O U N C I L

Minutes of the meeting of Winsham Parish Council held in the Jubilee Hall on Friday, 13 January 1984 at 8.00 p.m.

Present: Mr R M Smart (in the Chair), Mr V Chubb, ^{MISS E. CLEAVE,} Mrs M Fowler, Mrs M Loaring, Mrs R Rose and Mr C Slade, also Mr L Fisher (District Councillor)

97. Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Mr E Bannen.

98. Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting, held on 9 December 1983, were signed as a correct record, having been circulated previously.

99. Matters Arising

Ref 96:- Mrs Loaring reported that rubbish was being collected from Colham House monthly.

100. Cemetery Path

The Clerk reported that contracts had been exchanged on 15 December 1983, Mr Hardwill had been notified that the fencing work was now required to be carried out. Discussion ensued regarding the state of the path and it was agreed to discuss this again when the fencing work had been carried out. It was thought that a voluntary working party could be formed to tidy the path.

101. Play Equipment

The competition entries were shown to the meeting. Discussion took place with regard to finance for play equipment. It was agreed to make an appeal for an old tractor which could be immobilised and Mr Slade agreed to look into the possibility of providing a tyre on a rope.

102. Grass Cutting


It was agreed that there were three options open to the Council:- (a) use the District Council; (b) go out to tender; and (c) voluntary or a small fee to an interested person. Should (c) be agreed it would be necessary to purchase a mower and a strimmer. It was agreed that a notice should be put up asking for help and also circulate to the P.C.C. and village magazines.

103. War Memorial

Mr Smart had spoken with a member of the Divisional Highways staff who had visited the site. The County Council were prepared to make a minor alteration at no charge to the Council and it was agreed to accept their offer. Mr Slade agreed to repair the broken stone on the memorial. It was noted that at present there is no finance for any repair work, repointing, etc.

104. Clerk's Appointment

Mr Harvie had accepted the post of Clerk following a meeting with the Chairman and Clerk. Mr Vincent withdrew his application on 11 January 1984.

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105. Disposal of Old Cheques

The Clerk displayed some cheques dating back to 1896/7 which had been found in an old strong box. It was thought that the cheques might possibly be of value, or of interest to the local museum. It was agreed that Mr Smart would take the cheques for valuation and discuss the matter further after this had been done.

106. Cemetery Memorials

Approval was given to a memorial in respect of Mr P McLachlan, by Stone's.

107. Co-option of Councillor

The District Council had notified the Clerk that no election had been called and it was therefore possible for the Council to co-opt. It was agreed to defer this until the next meeting so that Councillors could make enquires as to interested parties.

108. Somerset Association of Local Councils

No meeting had been held since the last Parish Council meeting.

109. Planning

Approval had been granted, subject to various conditions, for:-

831503 - The use of land at Lower Farm, Purtington, as a site for a caravan/mobile home for a farm worker (E H Forward & Son).

It was agreed that the Clerk would check on outstanding notifications of decisions from the District Council.

110. Receipts and Payments

Received: £2.70	profit from play equipment competition
£36.00	H Bishop - Ashman interment
£20.00	Mr & Mrs G Evans - Titcombe memorial
£5.00	G W Stooks - added inscription to Paul memorial
£20.00	Stone's - McLachlan memorial

Resolved to approve the following payments:-

£662.40	Executors of R G Ashman - grass cutting
£7.44	South West Counties Newspapers Ltd (Notice re poll)
£63.75	Clerk's salary
£10.00	Petty cash

Also agreed to transfer £600 from deposit account to the current account.
Balances as at 13 January - current account £173.17, deposit account £965.27.

111. Correspondence

The following had been received:- notice of retirement of Miss Rusted from the District Council (Mr Jack Sweet to be responsible for Parish Council liaison); News and Views; National Association of Local Councils conference; photocopy rental; Somerset Fellowship of Music; Thatch; Tourist information from the County Council regarding "The Pitchfork Rebellion 1685".

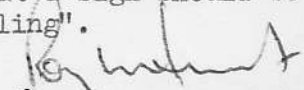
112. Any other Business

It was agreed that the Clerk should write to the County Council and ask the position with regard to the withdrawal of free school transport from a five-mile radius. It was agreed that the County Councillor should be invited to attend the next meeting to discuss this.

It was agreed that the Clerk should write to the Divisional County Surveyor regarding the state of Court Street.

Mrs Loaring proposed, and it was seconded by Mrs Fowler, that a sign should be erected in the children's recreation ground stating "No Cycling".

The next meeting will be held on 10 February 1984.


Chairman 10/2/84.