

WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Winsham Parish Council Meeting held on Friday, 14th January 1994 in the Jubilee Hall at 8.00 p.m.

Present:- Mrs M Loaring (in the Chair), Mrs J Gowers, Mr D Wilson, Mr D Woodward, Mrs E Jones, Mr K Fowler, Mrs R Rose, Mr C Slade, Mr B Speyer. Also Mr C Baigent (Dist. Cllr.), Mr D Esp (Cty. Cllr.) and Mr K Harvie (Clerk). Also one member of the Public.

Before the Meeting started the Chairman wished the Parish Councillors a Happy New Year.

64. Apologies for absence.

None.

65. Minutes.

The Minutes of the Meeting on the 12th November 1993 were signed as a true record.

66. Matters arising.

Street Lighting. Regarding Mr Thistlethwaite's visit to advise on filling in 'black spots', Mrs Loaring wished to know why this is important at this particular time. Mr Slade said he had raised the matter for future consideration.

The Light in Back Street is not complete. The Clerk was asked to chase the matter with SWEB.

When this Light is fixed, Mr Thistlethwaite will be contacted regarding his visit.

Notice in Small Recreation Ground. Mr Fowler said this will be fixed soon. Recycling Payments. The first and only payment made by the District Council was in March 1993. It was decided to wait until March 1994 before pursuing the matter.

67. Police.

Not in attendance.

Mrs Loaring asked if anyone had seen the Police in Winsham lately. It was thought they did not visit the Village very often.

There has been damage done to the Back Street road sign on the corner of High Street.

It was stated that the Police do not attend incidents when asked. The Clerk was asked to write to Superintendent Norton at Taunton with a copy to Sgt. Swatton at Chard. The letter will read something like - 'We understand that two incidents have been reported to the Police but no attendance was made. We feel that an attendance, shortly after the event, would be supportive to the people concerned. This Council would be interested to know if this system of non attendance will continue.'

68. Planning.

Leigh Lodge. Granted.

Lewis, Bubble Houses in Western Way. Nothing heard.

K D J Slade & Sons. Bungalow in Pooles Lane. Application withdrawn.

NEW.Hodge, Whatley Lane. Stable.

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69. Finance.

Received Grant for Safety Surfaces from SSDC £1731.00p.

Paid to K D J Slade & Sons £1052.99p. VAT included. For installation of Safety Surfaces.

It was agreed to pay.

Clerk's Pay £210.12p. (Including Back Pay to July 1993). See Min.74.

Clerk's Tele. Calls and 50% of Rental. £19.45p.

Photocopying £17.40p.

Mr R L Gowers for repairs to War Memorial £105.00p.

70. Mr C Baigent.

The Gatepost at the Large Recreation Ground will be replaced before the next Parish Council Meeting.

Council House painting. The Contract is behind time and the workmanship is considered to be poor.

Mr Fowler's comment. Families from away moving into Winsham when local families need housing. Mr Baigent will investigate this but it is thought there is little that can be done.

Mr Slade's comment. The road repairs recently carried out at Crewkerne Hill are very poor.

Mr Speyer's comment. Court Street needs the Mecanical Sweeper to rid the Street of leaves etc:.

The 'Litter Picker' was in the Village today.

71. Mr D Esp.

It was reported that the trench across Back Street has not been dealt with. Regarding the Kerbing at Whatley Bottom. Mr Esp is pursuing the matter of cost and will report back.

Mrs Rose asked for a large pot-hole on Crewkerne Hill to be filled.

72. Cemetery.

Mr Speyer said there had been 19 burials in the last 3 years and there were about 8 grave spaces left. He did not agree with reburial. He said 'Would it be possible to purchase some land on the Ammerham side of the Cemetery to extend the burial spaces'. He suggested a Committee be formed to investigate the matter. This was agreed and the Committee is Mr Speyer, Mrs Gowers and Mrs Rose will assist after Easter. The Clerk offered his services.

73. S A L C.

Mrs Rose could not attend the last Meeting due to illness.

74. Clerks Pay.

As from July 1993 the Rate is £1.25p per Electoral Roll Number. i.e. 650. This is an increase of 25p per week.

75. Correspondence.

E.C. Surplus Food. It was decided to leave the Application to Mr Speyer as he would best know who is eligible.

Area West Meeting.

NALC Draw Tickets.

Registration District. A Copy is in the Parish Council Notice Board.

Leisure Strategy.

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75. Correspondence.

Youth Club Grants.

Local Government Review.

Emergency Planning.

Village Cross. Mr Esp will contact the County Archivist asking if he knows who owns the Cross.

.Security by Former Police Officers.

76. Any other business.

Mr Wilson announced that he had resigned as a School Governor.

The next Meeting will be on the 11th February 1994.

M. Hoar

WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL - YEAR TO MARCH 31st. 1994

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS TO 10. 1. 94

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Balances at 10.11.93			
Current A/c	128.81	Jubilee Hall Mann: Comm:	25.00
Business Reserve A/c	1837.28	Petty Cash	30.00
Grant for Safety Surfaces	1731.00	Neighbourhood Watch	25.00
		K.D.J. Slade & Sons	1052.99
		Balances at 10.1.94	- -
		Current A/c	26.82
		Business Reserve A/c	2537.28
	<u>£ 3697.09</u>		<u>£ 3697.09</u>

Further Estimates to 31. 3. 94

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Payments</u>	
Cemetery Fees	?	Wages	210.12
Bank Interest	?	Telephone	19.45
Grants for Street Lights	3856.00	Photocopying	17.40
		Petty Cash	?
		SWEB	2789.33
		Cutting Cemetery Hedge	290.00
		Repairs to War Memorial	105.00