

## W1NSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Winsham Parish Council held in the Jubilee Hall on 12th September, 1977 at 7.45 p.m.

Present: Rev. B.L. Bateson (Chairman), Major K.I. Cameron  
Miss M.I. Churchill, Mrs. M.O. Fowler, Miss B. Harding,  
Mrs. R.A. Rose, Mr. Wetherall {District Councillor},  
Mr. F.W.D. Withers.  
Mr. R.M. Smart {Parish Clerk}, Mrs. P.J. Cameron (Asst.  
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and five members of the public.

Apologies were received from Mr D. Griffin and Miss M.A. Wren.

428 The Minutes of the previous meeting on 25th July having been circulated were signed as correct.

### 429 Matters arising.

- 1) Ref. 419 and 406. Mr. Rudkin had not been able to do the second sign about the recreation ground as he had been in hospital and was not yet well but his son had said that the sign would be done.
- 2) Ref. 419 and 411. The Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal. A total of £81.36 had been collected but we had not reached our target, which was £94. 50.
- 3) Ref. 419 and 416(2). War Memorial. It was decided to ask Mr. Loaring to decide what should be done about this and to undertake the work.
- 4) Ref. 419, 412 and 402. Refuse collection in Cemetery. The District Council had emptied the rubbish and burnt it. The Chairman said that the field gate was normally kept shut but that a key was always available in the vicarage.
- 5) Ref. 426(1). Grass at Davies Close. The grass had now been cut by the District Council but they had not gathered it up.
- 6) Ref. 426(2). Empty Council House. Mr. Wetherall said that it was Council policy to inspect a house as soon as they knew it was to be vacated. The Council did not normally undertake internal decoration, which could cost £400. It was only undertaken in special circumstances such as when ingoing tenants were elderly. Mr. Wetherall said that he had asked the Council about ways of assisting ingoing tenants who wished to decorate as the tenant might be paying rent on two properties. Normally the Council only did maintenance repairs.
- 7) Ref. 426. Mr. Wetherall said that the County Highways Surveyor had a sign in his estimates for the coming year to give warning at the bottom of the village that there was a meeting of five roads at the end of Church Street.

### 430 Planning Applications

- 1) Ref. 420 and 385(2). Nothing had been heard about the public enquiry into Mrs. Elkin's garage at The George.

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- 2) Ref. 420 and 410(2). Mr. Smart had not yet been informed about the result of Mr. Dungey's application for an extension of temporary planning approval for his caravan at the rear of the Post Office, but in Pullman's Weekly News, 30th August, 1977, it was reported that permission had been extended for the caravan until 1st November, 1978.
- 3) Ref. 420(2). Proposed bay for a garage at No. 2 High St. Winsham. Permission had been granted as to the siting of the garage and certain specifications for it had to be complied with.
- 4) Ref. 420(3). The Post Office (not Winsham) application for dwelling on land off Western Way. The Planning Committee of Winsham Council had written to the District Planning Officer saying that they strongly recommend refusal on the grounds that this was most undesirable back development.
- 5) Miss Churchill's appeal. Nothing had been heard about this.
- 6) Mr. Ashman's appeal. Nothing had been heard about this.

431 Footpath Signposts (Ref. 420 and 414).

Mr. Withers said that Mr. Pym would not be able to undertake the work on these till later in the autumn. Mr Withers agreed to find out from Mr. Barnham the names of the landowners who were to have letters about the erection of the signs affecting their land.

432 Payments

RESOLVED to approve the following payments: -

Somerset Association of Local Councils - Subscription ...	£15.07
Municipal Mutual Insurance - Council Insurance ...	£5.00
Department of Environment - Audit fee ...	£27.00
Yeovil District Council - Grass cutting 1976/77 ...	£559.25

It was also approved that a new cash account book should be obtained.

433 RESOLVED that a precept of £600 be signed.

434 Any Other Business

- 1) Two memorials were approved for Mrs Hammett and Mr. George Herbert Garrett.
- 2) A Questionnaire had been received from the National

Association

of Local Councils and the Parish Clerk was dealing with this. The first part of the questionnaire was purely factual and the Council felt that the second part of it was hardly applicable to a small Council such as ours.

- 3) Chard Interim District Plan. There would be a Meeting at 7.30 p.m. on 26th September 1977 in the Guildhall, Chard, to discuss the Draft Report with Officers and Chairman of the various Planning Committees. ^

434 Any Other Business Cont.

- 4) Community Council for Somerset. The Annual General Meeting would be held at Hestercombe House, Cheddon Fitzpaine on 24th September at 2. 15 p.m. Mrs Rose agreed to attend.
- 5) District Council and Emergency Planning. The Somerset County Council Emergency Officer had written to say that five District Councils were responsible for their area and that Winsham was in Community Area No. 15. A Community Adviser was needed for this area and the candidate should be about 30 to 55 years of age and have an intimate knowledge of the area. A training course would be held in Yeovil this year. There were no proposals to fill this position.
- 6) Mr. Bateson reported that the Yeovil Health Committee had turned down a film that they considered blasphemous and indecent. A letter would be sent to the Health Committee saying that the Winsham Parish Council was unanimously of the opinion that the statutory rights of the Health Committee in censoring films should be upheld.
- 7) Miss Harding pointed out that there were a number of newcomers to the village and she suggested that each family should have a sheet of paper telling them about local organisations with addresses and telephone numbers of the secretaries. It should also contain information such as the local bus service, the Mobile Library with the times that it visited the village; also information about the various churches in the neighbourhood. Miss Harding had already made a comprehensive list and it was agreed that this should be on the Agenda for the next meeting.
- 8) Mrs. Fowler asked if the Silver Jubilee Crowns promised to the Winsham children were available yet and she was told that they were not yet ready.
- 9) School Managers at Winsham. Miss M.A. Wren and the Rev. B.L. Bateson had been officially appointed.

435 A further meeting of the Winsham Parish Council was arranged for Monday, December 5th at 7.45 p.m. in the Jubilee Hall, (the next meeting being October 24th at 7.45 p.m.)

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Signed

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(Chairman)