

**WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON 1st MARCH 2000 AT THE JUBILEE
HALL, WINSHAM at 8.00PM**

285 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Those present:	Mr C.J. Slade	Chairman
	Mr. J. Sullivan	Vice-Chairman
	Mrs. H. Duke	
	Mr. G. Winter	
	Mr. E. Partridge	
	Mr. P. Love	
	Mr. P. Pye	
	Mrs. A. Rose	
	Mrs. S. Abbey	District Councillor
	Mrs. P. Green	Clerk
	Mr. G. Crowden	Neighbourhood watch
	Mr. D. Shaw	Footpaths

Apologies were received from Mr. D. Esp County Councillor

286 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Footpaths – a village map showing the footpaths in the parish.

A gate to be installed on the path to Whatley Farm after April – this will replace a stile that is in poor condition.

Neighbourhood Watch – Mr. Crowden reported on the meeting he had recently attended – this was well supported by Tatworth. Crime was below average for the Avon and Somerset Area, however thief from vehicles was still causing concern. There was a need for Special Constables in the area.

A General meeting for Neighbourhood Watch to be held in the Jubilee Hall, Winsham on 28 March.

The Chairman reported that he had foiled an attempted break in to one of his vehicles during the week.

Mrs. Abbey had brought along details of the Youth Project these were given to Mr. Love.

**287 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON 2nd FEBRUARY 2000**

The Chairman as a correct record signed these.

288 MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE AND ANY SUBSEQUENT ACTION TAKEN/TO BE TAKEN.

- a) Sign for Unit Reform Church – still to be erected.
- b) Wall at Fore Street – South Somerset Homes still to carry out the work.
- c) Map for Jubilee Hall – to discuss in April as no decision has been made.
- d) Bus Shelter Report – the Chairman reported that he had seen what he felt was a practical design for a bus shelter – this would have a lychgate effect, he would take photographs for Councillors to consider. He felt this design would be a similar cost to the ones discussed in February. Ownership of land still not resolved.
Mrs. A. Rose arrived 8.35pm
- e) Flower Festival – the theme for the Parish Council was Arable and the window behind the choir stalls was allotted.
- f) LEA representative – there has been no governor's meeting since the last Parish Council meeting so there is nothing to report.
- g) Meeting with Parish 2000 – more police in the villages needed. A communication information point to be set up in every parish.
Traveller's faculties needed.

289 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no applications or approvals received.

Mrs. Abbey asked if any follow up to the request for buildings by Mr. & Mrs. Woodland on land at the rear of Bell Inn - this was agricultural land only. It was felt that knowledge of what they were to be used for was important. Mrs. Rose to follow this up.

290 TWINNING

Mr. Sullivan had received a package, which was being circulated – Saint Remy du Val was smaller than Winsham with 524 inhabitants – they had a flourishing horticultural society. A copy of details attached to minutes. Grants are available to both parties for travelling. It was suggested that perhaps a small group could be invited for the street fair weekend. Mrs Carole Auty has been a great help. The Clerk to write to her to thank her for all she has done. Twinning will not involve the Precept.

291 AMENITIES

- a) Play Check Report – Mr. Love had checked the play equipment each week – he had handed his inspection reports to the Clerk.
- b) Grass Cutting – The Clerk to write to Andrew Partridge and say to cut the grass when he thinks it needs cutting. Cars taking children to football were churning tracks up.
- c) Weed killer to be brought now.

292 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a) Projected spending against income – see attached sheet.

b) The following cheques were approved and drawn:

437	Winsham Jubilee Hall	Hall Hire to 31/3/2000	£65.00
438	R.J. Pike	Erecting Signs	£152.75
439	P. Green	Clerks Salary & Expenses	£137.58
440	Ilton Parish Council	Photocopying for 12 months	£65.82

- c) Disposal of old paperwork – the Clerk reported that due to a loft conversation she had less room and also the weight of paperwork was becoming a hazard. Mrs. Abbey said that Area West had the Planning Application on microfiche back for at least 30 years. Agreed to keep all account books but the Clerk to check at the Clerk Training Course she is attending how long accounts need to be kept. Minutes are sent to the County Record Office – the Clerk to sort through all paperwork and dispose as necessary,
- d) The Clerk to attend a Clerk’s training course on March 8th and March 22nd.

293 CEMETERY

- a) Cemetery Fence – post will need stops put on top.
- b) Roadway into cemetery – The Clerk to obtain four estimates to check in the yellow pages for these.
- c) Grass Cutting – Growing fast and needs cutting – the Clerk to write to Andrew Partridge about this also.

294 HIGHWAYS

- a) Traffic Calming – No further news.
- b) Highway Repairs – no further queries at present.

295 CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Mr. Gartrell regarding the vacancy on the Parish Council – he had heard nothing from SSDC – the Clerk to make enquires to see what had happened.

SALC – notification of 2000/2001 subscription – this was £98.77

The Clerk had brought a copy of the book for appointing a Clerk – this contained a Contract of Employment. The Clerk to produced a copy for the Chairman and Vice Chairman to check.

All remaining correspondence distributed.

296 JUBILEE HALL REPORT

The next meeting of the Jubilee Hall would be 13th March.

297 MEMBERS QUESTION TIME/OBSERVATIONS

Winsham Web site – this would be of little or no cost to the Parish Council – Bob Osborne from SSDC was willing to come and give the Council a talk on this. Mr. Sullivan to look into this.

The Annual Parish Meeting to be held on 19th April at 7.30pm. Tea, Coffee and biscuits to be provided.

Building works at Lime Kiln Way – polystyrene is being blown into other properties, this is causing concern that with the rubbish spreading damage will be caused. The Clerk to write to Mr. J Owen the owner.

Where the road narrows at the top of Back Street it is causing damage to properties by lorries using this route – to contact Highways re a sign for this.

Mrs. Josie Gowers does the flowerbed in the churchyard – the Clerk to write to her and say thank you.

298 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday 5th April 2000 at 8.00 PM at the Jubilee Hall.

The meeting closed at 10.05PM

Signed:.....

Date:.....