

WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the ordinary parish council meeting held
on
7 June 2000 at the Jubilee Hall, Winsham
at 8.00pm

335 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

<i>Those present:</i>	<i>Mr. C. Slade</i>	<i>Chairman</i>
	<i>Mr. J. Sullivan</i>	<i>Vice Chairman</i>
	<i>Mr. P. Love</i>	
	<i>Mr. P. Pye</i>	
	<i>Mr. E. Partridge</i>	
	<i>Mr. A. Fuller</i>	
	<i>Mrs. A. Rose</i>	
	<i>Mrs. S. Abbey</i>	<i>District Councillor</i>
	<i>Mr. G. Crowden</i>	<i>Neighbourhood Watch</i>
	<i>Mr. D. Shaw</i>	<i>Footpaths</i>
	<i>Mrs. P. Green</i>	<i>Clerk</i>

Apologies were received from Mrs. H. Duke, Mr. G. Winter and Mr. D. Esp County Councillor. Mrs. A. Rose joined the meeting later.

Two members of the public were present.

336 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr. G. Crowden said there was little more to add since he had spoken at the Annual Parish meeting. He had attended the final Police meeting at Stoke Sub Hamdon on April 27 2000. From now it would be two meetings a year based on Chard Police Station. He is waiting to hear more on this, he feels its will be linked more towards Chard.

The Chairman had seen PC Roger Saunders - no progress had been made on recent 'break-ins' in the parish. Mr. Crowden said they were told that every community had a crime problem and it was usually the locals. The Chairman thanked Mr. Crowden.

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The Chairman signed these as a true record.

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

- a) *Sign for United Reform Church – still to be done.*
- b) *Map for Jubilee Hall - Mrs. Abbey had obtained a map from the District Council – although very clear, this did not show the footpaths. It was thought that footpaths could be added to this. Mrs. Abbey to find out if this was possible.
Was it possible to have a map outside the hall? - Also was it possible to have laminated map – discuss further in July.*
- c) *Bus shelter Report – no further progress has been made on this.*
- d) *Flower Festival report – to deal with this when Mrs. Rose arrives.*
- e) *Winsham Web Site – No Progress*
- f) *Twinning – No reply to Chairman’s e -mail, which asked about travel arrangements. The visit on 1 July is not definite – to try further contact.*
- g) *Insurance – small print checking – Mr. Sullivan prepared to do this but pointed out that this was not his area of expertise. The Cornhill Insurance cover was used by many local authorities and is likely to be a standard contract.*
- h) *Village of the Year Competition – this is only run every two years, Mr. Sullivan felt that a further attempt at this competition should be made. To win the Best Small Village three times running would be a substantial achievement. Mr. Sullivan was prepared to carry out the preparation of the application. Agreed by all that this should happen.*
- i) *Bier Condition and repairs by the Chairman – also insurance of – The Chairman still to check this out. It had been noted that a bier in Wambrook Church was being used as a table. It was agreed that the PCC should be approached with a positive suggestive where it could be placed in the church.*
- j) *The Clerk is chasing progress on street signs for Leigh Lane, Colham Lane, Lime Kiln Lane and Wynards Lane*

338 REPORT BY MRS. STELLA ABBEY – DISTRICT COUNCILLOR.

1. *She was still trying to get the roadway at the top end of Davies Close adopted by the SSDC, with Highways Dept responsible for its maintenance.*
2. *Removal of Agricultural Tie at Kilma Farm. Mrs Abbey pointed out that SSDC had never voted for the removal of the tie on this property. It resulted from an application*

making use of a loophole in the law whereby if ten years had elapsed with no farming activity the tie could be broken.

- 3. Millennium Committee – video film of Winsham events in the past is under consideration, made up from cuts of filming by Parishioners over the years.*

339 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following applications have been received:

00/01095/FUL - The erection of a detached garage at 17 Western Way, Winsham for Mr. R. Perrott. It was felt that that the floor level of the garage in relation to the level of the house could cause concern. To ask Area West to defer this application.

00/1354?TCA notification of intent to carry out surgery works on four trees at Haytor, Fore Street, Winsham for C. Sweetland – No Objections.

00/01321/FUL Erection of a single storey extension at Woodland View, Fore Street, Winsham for Mr. & Mrs. Woodland. – No objections

340 **CHURCH WALL**

Mrs. A. Rose joined the meeting.

A letter had been received from SALC saying that, based on the information sent to them, which originated from the Diocese of Bath and Wells, They did not think that the Parish Council had any responsibility for the repair of the wall.

The meeting was closed and then opened to members from the public.

Mr & Mrs. McCallum will consult their solicitor over boundaries, in the belief that the wall belongs to the church. They also expressed concern over potential problems with disinterment of human remains from the churchyard, resulting from the collapse of the wall.

Mr. D. Shaw queried the planting of Poplar trees so near the boundary wall as it was well known these could cause extensive damage.

The Clerk to contact SALC for further advice.

Mrs. Abbey pointed out that it might be possible to obtain a Historic Building grant from the South Somerset District Council to help with the cost of the repair to the wall.

Mrs. Abbey to consult the Historic Building Advisers.

Mrs. S. Abbey left the meeting

The meeting was re-opened.

341 AMENITIES

- a) Play checks Report - the igloo still out of action.
- b) Climbing Frame - it was now possible to check up on the safety surface. The Chairman to make enquiries.
- c) The clerk to ring the suppliers of the 'Spring Chicken' play equipment to see what could be done about stopping it springing back and hitting children on the head.

342 FINANCIAL MATTERS

Projected spending against income - not one due to the absence of Mr. Winter.

The following cheques were approved and drawn:

000452	<i>Highways Management - Village Sign</i>	<i>£88.13</i>
000453	<i>Clerks Salary & Expenses April & May</i>	<i>£210.44</i>

343 CEMETERY

Roadway into Cemetery- Not all Quotes in - to discuss further in July

Flower Festival - Minute 336 item d - A cheque received made out to the Parish Council for £17.00 - the Clerk paid Mrs. Rose in cash and drew this amount on expenses. Cheque to be banked in Parish Council current account. Mr. Partridge and Mrs. Rose to discuss the loan of the tractor further.

344 HIGHWAYS

- a) *Traffic Calming - no news - Mr. Sullivan to write and ask if any progress.*
- b) *Highway Repairs - Some repairs done, the hole at Kingston well has been filled in.*

*Still chasing up sign for Heavy Goods Vehicles for Back Lane.
Some drainage work carried out at Ford Abbey
Road is giving away at Mid North Farm by entrance
A30 concerned re: the safety of turning out of junction at Purtington.
c) Kingstonwell Lane Junction – No new signs as yet.*

345 CORRESPONDENCE

Mrs. Trott - Purchase of grave space – Mr. Partridge to measure up then contact the clerk.

Request to create a garden in memory of Joan Spurdell at the junction of Ebben Lane and High Street where at one time there was bench – all agreed this was good idea. The Clerk to write to Mr. Harry Spurdell.

All other correspondence read to Councillors and distributed.

346 JUBILEE HALL REPORT

John Sullivan reported that there were no items of significance to the Parish Council to report.

Anne Rose told the meeting that it was still not possible to access the Committee Room from the outside. JS said that he would report the problem.

347 MEMBERS QUESTION TIME/OBSERVATIONS

There was none.

348 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday July 12 2000 at 8.00pm in the Jubilee Hall, Winsham.

The meeting closed at 10.05pm

Signed:.....

Date:.....

