

WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 9th January 2002 at the Jubilee Hall, Winsham, at 8.00pm

564 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Those present:	Mr.C.Slade.	Chairman
	Mr.J.Sullivan.	Vice Chairman
	Mr.P.Pye	
	Mrs.A.Rose.	
	Mr. E. Partridge	
	Mr. Keith Marsh.	
	Mr.T.Fuller.	
	Mrs. H. Duke	
District Councillor	Mrs.S.Abbey.	
Parish Clerk:	Mr.F.Vaughan.	
Apologies:	County Councillor	Mr.David Gordon.
Absent:	Mr.P.Love.	

565 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr Dennis Shaw attended the meeting to support the Affordable Housing Needs Survey. A supporting letter was read out from *Mr Mike Douglass*.

566 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 6TH DECEMBER 2001.

The Chairman signed these as a true record

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

- a) The resolution from the public meeting on Affordable Housing, "To proceed with a needs survey", was adopted unanimously by the Parish Council being proposed by Mr John Sullivan, seconded by Mrs Anne Rose & Mr Peter Pye. It was agreed that the wording of the questionnaire needed no amendments. The questionnaire will be circulated to all households in Winsham. Thought was given to extending the survey to Thorncombe but after reading the Rural Housing Trusts response to this idea it was decided to proceed with the survey in Winsham only.
- b) All Members were given copies of 'Quality Parish Councils a Consultation Paper'. The Parish Council is largely in favour of the concept of Quality Parish Councils and is replying to this effect to the Government's consultation paper. **A.P.131 The Clerk**

- c) All Members were given copies of ' The Parish Councils Model Code of Conduct' This document became law in November 2001 and must be adopted by 5th May 2002. S.S.D.C. & SALC will guide the Council through this process with appropriate training.

568 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- a) Planning Application 01/03158/AGN Manor Farm Silage Pits @ Cricket St Thomas. The application is to be resubmitted as FULL because of the building's proximity to the road. The PC object to the application in its present form. An email has been sent to SSDC (Mike Williams).
- b) Planning Application 01/02208/FUL. Granted with conditions. Mr Peter Pye feels these conditions need to be monitored carefully.
- c) Mrs Anne Rose asked **A.P.132 The Clerk** to write to S.S.D.C. regarding planning applications 98/01742 Bridge Cottage Winsham & 01/00068 Laurel Cottage Ammerham Winsham querying whether the work done conforms to the plans submitted.
- d) A conservatory being built at Church House, Pooles Lane is said by the Planning Dept to be permitted development. The Chairman is to check if this is correct. **A.P.133 The Chairman**

569 AMENITIES

- a) Mr Paul Love was absent. **A.P.134 The Clerk** is to ask Mr Love for his monthly reports and for any comment he may have about the S.S.D.C. Inspection Report of 10/09/01.

570 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a) Cheques were signed: - Clerk's salary & expenses, R.W.Osborn, Winsham Jubilee Hall Committee & Rainbow Printing.

571 CEMETERY

The Chairman has some topsoil available, which Mr E Partridge will be able to use to fill in hollows near the graveyard entrance.

572 HIGHWAYS

- a) A letter has been sent to Rail Track re: Knapp Bridge.
- b) After a long discussion many highway issues were raised. It was decided to invite Mr Geoff Mountjoy from WS Atkins on a site visit/tour of the village where all the problems can be pointed out to him. **A.P.135 The Clerk** will email Mr Mountjoy listing all the outstanding problems and seeking a site visit.
- c) Mr Peter Pye was particularly concerned over the lack of good priority markings at the junction of Lime Kiln Lane High St & Back St.

- d) **A.P.136 The Clerk** to contact S.S.D.C. with a list of all broken and damaged street signs.

563 JUBILEE HALL REPORT

The Jubilee Hall Committee has not met in 2002.

574CORRESPONDENCE

- a) DTLR Declaration of Acceptance of Office. Members were made aware of the change of wording to the Acceptance of Office declaration due to the impending introduction of the new Code of Conduct.
- b) DTLR Local Government White Paper (Parish Proposals). A copy has been made available to all Members.
- c) Forum for Parish & Town Councils (Identification of Topics for June Meeting). It was decided to respond and suggest 'Crime & Disorder' as the topic for discussion.
- d) Crime Audit 2001. Mr Peter Pye took this document away & will pass it to Mrs Anne Rose.
- e) Merlin FM (New Radio Station). It was decided not to respond to this letter.
- f) New Electoral Register. It was noted that the Clerk now has the new Register.
- g) Numbering in Fore St Mrs P.J.Cameron. **A.P.137 The Clerk** will compile a report and action plan for the next meeting.

575 MEMBERS QUESTION TIME

Question time was taken up with highway issues; these will be addressed in the Clerk's letter to WS Atkins requesting a site meeting.

576 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a) Vital Villages / Parish Plan. Mr John Sullivan gave a brief summary of the meeting held today with Mr David Smith CEO of The Community Council. Mr John Sullivan, Mrs Anne Rose, Mr Peter Pye and the Clerk attended the meeting to discuss the pro's & con's of carrying through a Parish Plan. It was felt that there was no advantage in the PC putting 9-12 months effort in drawing up a plan. A plan would help to justify & support any grant application for major funding in the future but equally the absence of a plan would not be detrimental to any application. This is provided the application is supported by the identification of need and that it involves all relevant groups in the community. The Parish Council decided not to proceed with a Parish Plan.
- b) The Queen's Jubilee Celebrations (Meeting 16th January). The date of the meeting was noted.

577 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 6th February 2002 at 8.00 p.m. in the Jubilee Hall.

The meeting closed at 09-30pm.

Signed.....

Date.....

ACTION POINT No	ACTIONED TO	PROGRESS	ACTION TAKEN
131	The Clerk	Complete	
132	The Clerk	Complete	
133	The Chairman		
134	The Clerk	Complete	
135	The Clerk	Complete	
136	The Clerk	Complete	Item on Feb agenda
137	The Clerk	Complete	