

# WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2007

At the The Jubilee Hall, Winsham.

**Draft Issue 1**

## **1478 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

Those present: -	Mr Roger Beer	Chairman
	Mrs Hazel Duke	Vice Chairman
	Mr Peter Harper	
	Miss Trish Baxter	
	Mrs Stella Abbey	
	Mrs Maxine Douglass	
	Mrs Mary Haggard	
	Mr Andrew Partridge	
District Councillor	Mr Robin Munday.	
Parish Clerk:	Mr.Frank Vaughan.	
Public	None	
Apologies:	Mr Bert Froud	

## **1479 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

None

## **1480 DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS**

*District Councillor Mr Robin Munday reported:* - I am new to the job and I am just starting to get my toe under the table. It seems to me that the main concerns of the electors are, pot holes, loss of refuse garden waste collection & the fact that cardboard & plastic do not, at present form part of the doorstep collection service. The latter is about to change for the better. I am reserving judgement on the 'Unitary Council' but I can see more powers being devolved to Town & Parish Councils, along with the financial support.

## **1481 MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Councillor Partridge declared an interest in agenda item 9a.

## **1482 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 4<sup>th</sup> April 2007**

The Chairman signed the minutes as a true record.

## **1483 MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE AND ANY SUBSEQUENT ACTION TAKEN/TO BE TAKEN**

- a) Somerset County Council's "Somerset Area Working Panel"; ask the Parish Council to nominate 3 realistic projects for 2007/8 & 3 aspirational projects. County Councillors have £15,000 each to spend, with an overall flexible budget of £270,000 for South Somerset. Replies are by 30<sup>th</sup> of June. It was therefore decided to place this item on the agenda for the June council.

A number of suggestions were carried forward, mostly highway related:-

1. Get professional advice on junction improvements near the cross.
  2. Improve the road between Whatley Cross & Whatley Mill.
  3. 20 mph past the school.
  4. Upgrade to the pavement by the lower recreation ground.
- b) In response to SCC's invitation to discuss their Unitary Proposals, the Clerk & Chairman will attend on either 21<sup>st</sup> or 22<sup>nd</sup> May. Councillor Munday will also attend if invited.
- c) Footpath CH30/1 Comments & Feedback after Upgrade (Verbal Report). The kissing gate has now been removed by SSDC. The footpath surface seems to be stable. Weeds are however growing between the path and the fence at the side of the new houses. The Clerk to report this to Paul Attwell or Les.
- d) Diversion Order on Bridleway CH30/19 is now complete.
- e) The Police have agreed to attend the Parish Office once a month. The Community Support Vehicle will no longer be scheduled for Winsham.

## **1484 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- a) Application 07/01738/FUL Lubborn Cheese vertical milk silo. The PC has no objection.
- b) Application 07/01999/FUL Development @ Post Office House 2 Church St. It was decided to hold a Planning Committee Meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> May for 7-30 in the Jubilee Hall. A site visit has been arranged for 7 pm proceeding the meeting.

### **1485 AMENITIES**

- a) Councillor Peter Harper agreed to attend the Playground Inspection Training Course.
- b) Councillor Stella Abbey will deal with the Rights of Way Management Response to SSDC.

### **1486 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a) Cheques were signed for Clerk's salary, Grass Cutting, Jubilee Hall Rent & Playground Inspection.
- b) It was agreed that Roger Beer, Hazel Duke & Mary Haggard will sign cheques on behalf of the PC.

### **1487 CEMETERY**

- a) No Report

### **1488 RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE/ SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB**

*Stella Abbey reported:* - The money has come together and work has started on the upgrade to the changing rooms. The football team is doing very well. Dog fouling is still a problem!

### **1489 JUBILEE HALL**

With the pulling together of the finances the project is nearing completion, the figures will be out shortly. There are new ideas for lettings & fund raising. The PC User Group is doing well.

### **1490 HIGHWAYS**

- a) Storm Drain at Leigh Lane missing.
- b) Tarmac a Chalkway still their.

### **1491 CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) SALC Training Dates for Chairman & Members +

- b) Code of Conduct & Standards Committee Election
- c) South Somerset Area Working Panel (Minutes)
- d) Rural Youth (News Letter)
- e) Public Rights of Way A Guide
- f) Tree Talk
- g) Child Safety Seminars Held Throughout 2007
- h) Statement of Community Involvement from SCC
- i) Environment Agency News Letter (LINKS)

This list of correspondence was circulated prior to the meeting & made available to all members who attended the meeting.

**1492 MEMBERS QUESTION TIME & ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- a) It was decided to accept KDJ Slades price for the improvements to the Lower Recreation Ground access.
- b) Councillors Mary Haggard & Stella Abbey will arrange a ‘Litter Picking Day’ on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

**1493 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of The Parish Council will held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June for 7-30 pm in The Jubilee Hall.

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