

WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on July 30th 2008
At the The Jubilee Hall, Winsham.

1716 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Those present: -	Mr Roger Beer	Chairman
	Mrs Hazel Duke	Vice Chairman
	Miss Trish Baxter	
	Mrs Stella Abbey	
	Mrs Mary Haggard	
	Mr Andrew Partridge	
	Mr John Gapper	
	Mr Peter Harper	
Parish Clerk:	Mrs Elaine Willis	
Public	Mr S Taylor	
	Mr J Mills	
Apologies:	Mrs Maxine Douglas	
	Mr Robin Munday (district councillor)	
	Mr Tony Shire (county councillor)	

1717 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr S Taylor discussed aspects of the Cricket St Thomas planning proposal and answered questions from the councillors; he then left before the councils vote.

Mr J Mills discussed aspects of the planning proposal for Leigh Lodge. Mr Mills stayed for the vote which was therefore done as a secret ballot with a majority voting for approval.

1718 MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillor Andrew Partridge declared an interest in items 7d & 7c

1719 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 2nd July 2008

The Chairman signed the minutes, as a true record.

1720 MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE AND ANY SUBSEQUENT ACTION TAKEN/TO BE TAKEN

None

1721 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- a) Application 08/02686/FUL Demolition of agricultural buildings and erection of 20 holiday lodges & 1 admin lodge, access, car parking & landscaping. (revised app GR338367/109592) London Lodge Farm, Windwhistle, Cricket St Thomas – Majority vote to recommend approval with recommendations to further consider the amount of traffic on the surrounding lanes and the safety of the turning from the A30, the Parish Council recommends that the road between Warners and the proposed development be made two way. (5:1)

- b) Application 08/02798/FUL, Leigh Lodge, Forton – 2 Storey extension. – Majority vote to recommend approval (5:1)
- c) Application 08/02767/FUL, 38 Davies Close, single storey extension – Recommend Approval
- d) Application 08/01901/FUL, Barn conversion , Chalkway Mill, Limekiln Lane – Granted by SSDC
- e) Application 08/02850/FUL, Internal & External alterations + extension + change garage to a study, East Whatley farm, Whatley – Recommend Approval

1722 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a) Cheques signed for Clerks salary & expenses, Grass cutting, Church Yard Wall.
- b) Budget remaining – The clerk reported - with calculations based on last years expenses all remaining budget will be used, with a slight deficit, this takes into account predicted expenses such as salary, grass cutting, loan repayments, contingency money, other allocated money.
- c) Bus Shelter – a quote for £997 + VAT has been received from Slades, Councillor Roger Beer commented that it was now a health and safety issue as well as an aesthetics issue. Councillor Stella Abbey suggested applying for a grant from the County Council. Councillor Stella Abbey also pointed out that ground rent for the bus shelter has not been paid this year. *Action – Councillor Roger Beer to contact Mr Tony Shire about possible funding and to liase with Slades about a start date. Clerk to investigate ground rent for the bus shelter.*
- d) Contingency monies – due to the cost of the bus shelter it was agreed to postpone the picnic table, parish plan & cemetery gates plans.
- e) Jubille Hall – A discussion followed on alternatives, value for money, suitability of the venue but as the parish council do not have a formal contract with the Jubillee Hall clearly stating what facilities they will provide it was decided to agree terms first and then discuss further. *Action – Clerk to write to the Jubillee Hall asking for terms to be agreed & put the item on the next agenda.*

1723 CORRESPONDENCE

- a) 34th National Conference
- b) S Somerset voluntary & community action
- c) Tidy up
- d) S Som Community Safety Newsletter
- e) Local councils Update
- f) Community Council for Somerset
- g) THATCH
- h) Yeovil District HospitalSouth Somerset Together – Sustainable Community Strategy
- i) Tree talk
- j) South Somerset Voluntary & Community Sector Forum
- k) South west trains
- l) Training voluntary sector
- m) SW Trains – petition
- n) Registration housing authority
- o) The playing field

Most of this correspondence was circulated prior to the meeting & the rest was made

available to all members who attended the meeting.

1724 MEMBERS QUESTION TIME & ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a) Councillor Mary Haggard wanted to thank Ernie Partridge for voluntarily cutting the hedge and keeping the path clear by the cemetery
- b) Councillor Mary Haggard reported that PCSO B Samways is hosting a meeting at the sports & social club about future activities for the youth of the village. Councillor Stella Abbey suggested that neighbourhood watch be involved in leaflet dropping.
- c) Councillor Mary Haggard reported that when the recreation committee apply for funding for future development it will have to be supported by the Parish Council as it is their land.
- d) Councillor Roger Beer reported that the Neighbourhood Watch sign in High Street is very visible now.
- e) Councillor Hazel Duke reported that the hedge cutting along Western way was very messy – only cutting the bottom half. Councillor Roger Beer suggested that the top half was possibly the responsibility of the land owner and not the County Council.
- f) Councillor Andrew Partridge reported that compost from the cemetery will be available in September and he will put a notice in the Parish Magazine
- g) Councillor Stella Abbey has been looking at the archives from A Davies and has found them very interesting and will write a few articles for the parish magazine.
- h) Monument - P Smith - Approved
- i) Revised inscription – Atkin - Approved

1725 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary meeting of The Parish Council will be held on 3rd September for 7-30pm meet in the Jubilee Hall.

Signed.....Date.....