

**WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on September 2nd 2009**  
**At the Jubilee Hall, Winsham.**

**1886 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

Those present: -            Mr Roger Beer                    Chairman  
                                 Mr John Gapper                Vice Chairman  
                                 Mrs Hazel Duke  
                                 Miss Trish Baxter  
                                 Mrs Mary Haggard  
                                 Mr Andrew Partridge  
                                 Mrs Stella Abbey  
                                 Mr Peter Harper  
                                 Mr Robin Munday (district councillor)  
                                 Mrs Kim Turner (county councillor)

Parish clerk:  
Public                        Mrs C Salters, Mrs J Bone, Mrs Margaret Long, Mrs D Salters  
Apologies:                Mr Peter Saunders  
                                 Mrs Elaine Willis

**1887 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Members of the Public attended the meeting regarding item 1893b

**1889 DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS**

Councillor Robin Munday reported that the Chief Executive is David Taylor in the interim. He also reported on a meeting with the bus company about recent problems and the new arrangements, the company were not planning on making any changes. Winsham's questions were aired. The County have their own inspectors and will be monitoring the service. Winsham will have its own mystery traveller.

The County council have seized £200,000 worth of counterfeit goods.

Councillor Kim Turner reported that there was a new batch of dog control leaflets.

Last years accounts are being audited and there was a £300,000 under spend. She also reported that civil parking is being reviewed and they are looking at options to take it away from the police.

Garden waste collection is starting in October 2009 and hopefully cardboard and plastic door step collection will start in April 2010.

**1890 MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Councillor Andrew Partridge declared an interest in item 10b.

**1891 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

held on 3rd July 2009

The Chairman signed the minutes, as a true record.

**1892 MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE AND ANY SUBSEQUENT ACTION**

## **TAKEN**

### **1893 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- a) Application 09/01633/Ful, Agricultural Building, Western Way (revised) – recommend refusal due to the size, appearance and site of the building. Councillor Robin Munday reported that the landscape officer is satisfied with the amended plans. Councillor Stella Abbey asked about the substantiation of needs. . Councillor Robin Munday explained that it was for the expansion of the beef herd but that the business plan is confidential. The plans will probably go to committee.
- b) Application 09/02791/LBC, Conversion outbuildings to Holiday Accommodation, East Whately Farm (revised) recommend approval
- c) Application 09/03365/ful, New vehicular access and hard standing, 29 Western Way – recommend refusal, concerns re:gates, whether a less intrusive solution could be found eg:making current parking arrangements permanent or making the parking suitable for a number of houses

### **1894 AMENITIES**

- a) Thanks were given to Andrew and Ernie Partridge for their work and replacing fence posts. The Slades are looking into ways of removing graffiti. Councillor Kim Turner offered to contact Ilminster Town Council as they have some new equipment for removing graffiti
- b) Councillors Roger Beer and Andrew Partridge are going to try different fencing options. Basic plans have been formulated following the public consultation at the play day. Costings and feasibility are now being looked into.

### **1895 RIGHTS OF WAY**

Councillor John Gapper asked that if anyone is walking the footpaths they could tidy up a little as they go.

### **1896 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a) Cheques signed for Clerks salary & expenses, grass cutting.

### **1897 CEMETRY**

a) Councillor Andrew Partridge reported that there was probably another cut to do and that there has been dog fouling in the cemetery.

### **1898 UPPER RECREATION GROUND**

Councillor Mary Haggard reported that the committee has had its AGM.

### **1899 JUBILEE HALL**

Councillor Trish Baxter reported that there is a meeting at the end of September

### **1900 HIGHWAYS**

- a) Councillor Peter Harper reported that when you contact highways they never respond to any reports
- b) Councillor Kim Turner reported that she had had no success with traffic monitoring. She also had no response about the trees trough the cutting but that she will chase this up. She is also aware of the pothole in the cutting
- c) Councillor Stella Abbey filled in the highways and rights of way questionnaire and returned it.

### **1901 CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) SSDC, Standards Committee
- b) Lenton Graphics
- c) Change to Bus service
- d) South Somerset News
- e) Doing it Right
- f) Devolution survey
- g) Joint Area west Committee
- h) Able Community Care
- i) SALC
- j) Rural Youth

- k) SLCC
- l) THATCH
- m) The playingfield
- n) South Somerset local development framework
- o) School Governors
- p) SCSN
- q) SALC
- r) SSDC – Dog control Order

Most of this correspondence was circulated prior to the meeting & the rest was made available to all members who attended the meeting.

**1902 MEMBERS QUESTION TIME & ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Councillor Stella Abbey commented that the Parish Office is worthwhile and should continue. Councillor Stella Abbey also requested that the upgrade of the footpath at the end of Court Street be placed on the next agenda

Councillor Robin Munday offered to attend the Parish Office if he is available.

**1903 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Ordinary meeting of The Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 7th October 2009 for 7-30 pm meet in the Jubilee Hall.

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