Minutes of a meeting of Winsham Parish Council held in the Jubilee Hall on Friday, April 2nd, 1982 at 8.0 p.m.

Present: Major K.I.Cameron (in the Chair), Mr R. Ashman, the Rev. B.L.Bateson, Mrs P.J.Cameron (Hon. Clerk), Mrs M. Fowler, Mrs M. Loaring, Mr A. Meech, and Mr R. Smart.

An apology was received from Mr C. Slade

923 Minutes of the last meeting held on February 19th, 1982, having been circulated were signed as correct.

924 Matters arising

- 1) Ref. 912 (1). The Clerk had spoken to Mr Wilson about Bridleway 30/6 on Lue Farm and he had said that he had not yet had time to go into this.
- 2) Ref. 912 (2). Cemetery path. Apadlock with three keys had been obtained for the gate through the glebeland. Mr Wheaton had said that there would be no cattle there till May.
- 3) Ref. 912 (3). There was still flooding at the Malthouses and the Clerk was asked to write again to the Highways department and the occupants of the Malthouses should notefy that Dept. immediately when there was any flooding that affected them.
- 4) Ref. 914. The lime tree given by Toc H in memory of Mr I. Staple had not yet been planted and the Clerk was asked to write again to Mr Peacock as it was getting late in the season for tree planting.

925 Planning

An application had been received for:820265 Removal oferisting garage, rebuilding workshop and erection of a bungalow for Mr R. Ashman

The Council considered that this application fell into two parts: 2

- a) The erection of a bungalow.

 This would be back land development outside the existing developed area. There is mot a satisfactory access via the Bell Inn in Church St. The Council recommended refusal.
- b) Removal of existing garage and rebuilding workshop.

The extension of the premises would improve the garage and be acceptable if built of suitable materials in order to minimize any noise muisance.

Its position and garage activities should be confined to the existing area as marked blue on the plan. The orchard should not become a parking place for vehicles awaiting repair. The orchard is agricultural land.

Permision had been granted for the following two applications:-

with the agricultural tying condition.

The formation of a self-contained maisonette within existing dwelling house at Stuckey Farmhouse for Mr Pargiter.

(Detailed plans must be submitted for any external alterations).

The erection of extensions to bungalow at N. Whatley Farm for Mr Waterman

(Particulars of materials must be submitted)

A letter from the Chief Planning Officer had been received concerning tree planting and the occupation of the bungalow. He said that the original permission for the bungalow required that a landscape planting scheme be submitted. This was in fact submitted and the planting subsequently carried out.——With regard to the occupation of the bungalow the new owner states on his application that he owns or controls some 20 acres of land adjoining and is fully aware of the need to comply

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Planning (cont.)

Permission refused for :-

812299 The erection of a bungalow on land at Court Farm, Winsham for Mr Wheaton

The main reason for the refusal was the very limited frontage on to an unclassified road.

The Planning Dept. were investigating a residential caravan on land at Leigh House Farm. We had reported this to them as no permission appeared to have been obtained.

926 Grass Cutting

The final account for 1981 was agreed. Mr Ashman had submitted an estimate for grass cutting for 1982 and it was agreed that this was approved for the first three months of the year at a charge of £82 for the first cut and then £72 for subsequent cuts. Mr Smart suggested that other estimates should be obtained and it was agreed that the Clerk should write to names given to her during the following week. The subject of grass cutting should be raised at the Annual Parish Meeting.

927 Receipts and Payments

Received from Bishop for interment of Mrs Good £6.00
Refund of V.A.T. £ 106.64
Rent from Rec. Ground Management Committee £1.00

Total £113.64

Payments

R. Ashman - final bill for grass cutting
(£520 + £78 V.A.T.) £598.00

Petty cash for Clerk £10.00

Total £608.00

928 Play Equipment for the children's recreation ground

Mr Wilson had visited the children's recreation ground and had said that the swings could remain if new shackles and new chains were provided. It was agreed that we should find out from Mr Ashman what this would cost as well as the cost for immobilising the shunter. It was felt that although this was not now recommended for use, it was of historic value and interest.

The Clerk had obtained 7 catalogues of play equipment and had looked at the price of slides. It was thought that if we obtained a 50% grant from Yeovil District Council we might have to raise about £300 in addition to the £110 in hand from the Forde Abbey concert. It was agreed that play equipment for the small recreation ground should be put on the Agenda for the Annual Parish Meeting on April 30th and help asked towards raising money for a slide. Mr Smart agreed to draft a poster drawing attention to this.

929 Somerset Association of Local Councils

Mr Smart said that a sub-committee of the Association had met the District Council concerning consultative procedures on planning applications but no progress had been made. Itwas felt that the Parish Councils should have closer links with the Planning Committee Especially as Parish Councillors could not attend site meetings. It was decided to send Mr Wetherall a copy of our opinions on planning applications. Mr Smart said that no interest had been aroused on planning applications for agricultural buildings, He said that he would attend the special meeting on May 5th on the Future of English Local Government from the Viewpoint of the Parishes

930 Cemetery

The Council agreed that the Good double grave should have green chippings when the kerbstone had been replaced.

The Chairman said that the cemetery plan was now up-to-date.

931 Correspondence

The Clerk reported that the following had been received:-

Reports of the Somerset County Council Committees:

Policy and Resources Committee; Exmoor National Park; Planning and Transportation; Public Protection; Social services; Libraries, Museums and Records; Education and Cultural Services

Statutory Instrument 1982 No 185. Changes in Local Government Areas.

Parish Council Accounts. Audit arrangements would be undertaken by staff at Dorchester in late September or in October.

Concessionary fare scheme of £6.00 per annum for senior citizens. Tokens could be obtained in Winsham in Davies Close in the afternoon of April 22nd.

The Clerk had also received a notice of the Best kept village competition, a Rural Arts Survey, the Local Council Review. Thatch, a Course for the unemployed at Yeovil, Somerset Association of Local Councils Notices and Notes and an offer from the Somerset Opera Group to visit villages for a fee of £50.

932 Any other business

More timber was required to repair the seat on the children's recreation ground. The seat had now been ripped out of the ground.

Mr Smart asked that the Council's emergency spending powers should be put on the Agenda for the next meeting also the provision of question time for the public during a parish council meeting.

It was felt that a bus shelter would be appreciated for school children waiting at Whatley Cross but the Council felt it unlikely that one could be provided.

933 Dates of future meetings

A further meeting of Winsham Parish Council was arranged for Friday, July 2nd at 8.0 p.m., the next meeting having been previously arranged for Friday, May 7th at 8.0 p.m.

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