

Minutes of a meeting of Winsham Parish Council held in the Jubilee Hall on Friday, Nov. 6th 1981, 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 (Clerk), Mrs M. Fowler, Mrs M. Loaring, Mr C. Slade and Mr R. Smart, also Mr K. Wetherall (District Councillor).

An apology for absence was received from Mr A. Meech.

889 The Minutes of the last meeting held on September 25th 1981, having been circulated were signed as correct.

890 Matters arising

1) Ref. 875 (1). Bridleway 30/6 on Lue Farm. The Clerk had been in touch with Mr Wilson, Amenities Officer, at Yeovil District Council and he was looking into this.

2) Ref. 875 (2). Cemetery Path. A letter had been received from Cluttons, the Estate Agents, saying:-

"We note from our file that you wrote to Mr Draper, the Diocesan Secretary, on May 7th 1981.

We understand the problem that you are experiencing in relation to the path to Winsham cemetery from Pooles Lane. We think it likely that we may well be able to negotiate with you for an access to be provided along more satisfactory lines both to the cemetery and also to Winsham County Primary School playing field, but unfortunately, the glebe tenant is not to vacate until September, 1982, and it therefore seems a little premature to commence such negotiations. Perhaps you could contact this firm in the spring of 1982, in order that we may arrange to discuss the matter further".

No meeting had as yet been held with Mr Wheaton and the Clerk was asked to thank Mrs Wheaton for her letter and ask if Mr Wheaton still wished to arrange a meeting.

3) Ref. 875 (3). The flooding in Broadenham Lane had now been attended to and the signs for West St and Davies Close had now been fixed. Back St sign had not yet been found. Repairs had been carried out in Davies Close and some repairs in Western Way near Mr Dungey's bungalow but not the repairs in the further layby on that side. A repair was still needed in Church St.

4) Ref. 879. All risks policy to cover play equipment, cemetery railings etc. Our insurance company could not insure cemetery railings and the rate for insurance of our play equipment would depend on an inspection as to its condition and value. An annual inspection of our play equipment would cost £14. 39 and a twice a year inspection £20. 70. Mr Wetherall said that he had looked into the inspection of our play equipment by Yeovil District Council. The metal tubes in the swings were corroded and not safe. The plank swing was not now allowed by the Dept. of the Environment. The igloo was satisfactory.

It was felt that we must accept the Yeovil District Council Report and that we would not ask the Municipal Mutual Insurance Company to inspect our equipment. We would have to consider replacements for the swings and the shunter. The unevenness under the swings needed attention.

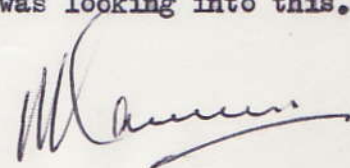
891 Planning

811713 The erection of a bungalow and garage on land adjoining Higher Wynyard, Court St. for Mr J.D. Stewart
Permission granted subject to various conditions which had now been received.

An application had been made for :-

811981 for two agricultural buildings to house cattle at Hey Farm for Mr A. Bullivant ~~at~~ of Hey Farm. The Council had no objections.

A letter had been written to Mr Bartlett of Yeovil District Council Planning Dept. concerning the new double garage in Gospel Hall Lane and he was looking into this.



892 Receipts and Payments

Receipts - Nil

RESOLVED ~~to~~ approve the following payment to

Mr R. Ashman for grass cutting (8 cuts till July 5th 1981 at £65 a cut) £520
V.A.T. £78
Total £598

893 Estimate for Precept 1982- 3

It was agreed that we should estimate £1,250.

The penny rate for the Parish for 1980-81 was £533. 04

894 Tree Planting Scheme

Mr Smart was making enquiries about tree planting. Chard Tec H wished to give a tree to go with our scheme in memory of Mr I.L.Staple.

895 House numbering in Church St and Fore St.

The Clerk had circulated all the occupiers of houses in Church St regarding the letter from Yeovil District Council with the Chard postmaster's complaint about the duplication of numbering of houses in Church St. The occupiers were told that the Parish Council were recommending to Yeovil District Council that all dwellings in Church St. should be numbered from 1 onwards, starting from the centre of the village opposite to the Post Office. No objections had been received and only one reply. The Clerk was asked to write to Yeovil District Council to let them know our recommendation.

896 Somerset Association of Local Councils

Mr Smart reported that the S; Area meeting had been held on Oct 7th at Y.D.C., 91 Preston Rd., Yeovil. There had been a talk by the County Twinning Co-ordinator on the twinning of Somerset with l'Orne in Normandy. Other subjects discussed were the withdrawal of rural telephone kiosks; consultative procedure on planning between District and ~~Planning~~ Parish Councils with a speech by the E. Coker representative. It ^{had been} ~~was~~ agreed that a working party should be set up to explore the points raised. Planning Applications for Agricultural Buildings was raised by Mr Smart.

897 Cemetery

The Chairman was surveying cemetery charges in other Parishes in view of raising our own charges. Mr Wetherall said that increases were being made in many Parishes, but the rates were very difficult to compare in view of the varying cemeteries, some with full-time staff. Mrs Loaring said that Mr Jack Bishop's brother had died and the Clerk was asked to write and say how sorry we were.

898 Correspondence

The Clerk had received the following :-

New list showing places and times of attendance of the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages (this would be put on the Parish Council notice board).

Somerset County Playing Fields Assoc. Annual Report 1980-81 and notice of A.G.M. of the Assoc. on Nov 23rd at 2.30 p.m. at Woolavington Village Hall, near Bridgwater.

Street Lighting -fault report cards. These should reach Som. County Council a.m. Fridays. News and Views from Yeovil District Council.

A complaint had been made to the Clerk by Mrs Hayward concerning a new downpipe carrying rainwater across the road in Back St as she considered this very dangerous. The Clerk had written to Mr Howe to inform him of the complaint and the correct procedure as advocated by the Highways Authority. The matter was discussed but the Council came to no decision as to future action.

899 Dates of future meetings.

A further meeting of Winsham Parish Council was arranged for Friday Feb. 19th at 8.0 p.m. , the next meeting having previously been arranged for Fri. Jan 8th at 8.0 p.m.

M. Lawrence
Chairman

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