

WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Winsham Parish Council meeting on Friday, 12th April 1991 held in the Jubilee Hall at 8.00 p.m.

Present:- Mrs M Loaring (in the Chair), Mr D Wilson, Mr D Woodward, Mr R Smart, Mrs E Jones, Mrs R Rose, Mrs M Fowler & Mr C Slade.
Also Mr J Trickett (Cty Cllr), Mr L Fisher (Dist Cllr), PC A Mazzei and Mr K Harvie (Clerk).

Before the meeting started and as it was the last meeting of the present Council, Mrs Loaring thanked Mr L Fisher, Mr J Trickett, the Police and the Councillors for their attendance and help at meetings. She also provided sherry and biscuits as a goodwill gesture.

Mr L Fisher said he had enjoyed attending meetings and was particularly pleased that no mention had ever been made of Party Political matters.

110. Apologies for absence.

None.

111. Minutes.

The Minutes of the meeting on the 8th March 1991 were signed as a true record.

112. Matters arising.

Rocks on the road at the Cutting. In reply to our letter, the Highways Officer states that a watch will be kept.

113. Planning.

910670 Mr M J Scott, Oakleigh, Winsham. Extension to house.

New Application. To be discussed.

901567 Mr R J Pike. Appeal. Nothing heard.

Workshop at the rear of Plum Tree Cottage. A letter received from the District Council Enforcement Officer asking for details of the complaint. Mr Coles, 3 Fore Street, Winsham. Has requested permission to construct a hardstanding in Back Street.

No 32 Western Way, Winsham. Planning permission is required before the fixing of a Liquid Gas cylinder.

910272 Mr M Hebditch, Street Farm, Winsham. Permission granted.

114. Police.

P.C. Andy Mazzei reported. It is considered that the 'Fast Response' cars on a 6 months trial period are not a great success.

There is a rumour that the Police Force may be regionalised. Perhaps a S W Force, a S E Force etc.,

115. Mr L Fisher.

On the subject of Maintenance of Council Houses and the Trees in Davies Close, Mr Fisher is attending a meeting on the 22nd April to discuss these matters.

Regarding the Street Lights in Davies Close, Mr Fisher offered to donate £187.50 being the Parish Council's part of the Contract price of £375.00. The sum donated will be obtained from District Council Attendance Allowance. The remaining cost will be by Grants from the County Council and the District Council. 30% and 20% respectively.

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115. It was decided to order the Lights from S W E B at the quoted price of £375.00 + VAT. The Clerk will request confirmation of the Quotation, as the price holds for 4 weeks only. He will also approach the County Council and the District Council regarding Grants before placing the order.

116. Mr J Trickett.

On the subject of excessive gravel at the junction of the Crewkerne Hill road and the A30, a watch will be kept on this.

Visibility problem on the same road. It was explained to Mr Trickett exactly where the problem is.

The 30 mph Limit signs have been righted but have been reversed again. These signs need to be fixed securely.

Re. Whatley Lane. Investigations are being held on the possibility of widening the entrance to the Cricket St Thomas Dairy. It is estimated this will cost £12000 + the probable purchase of some land.

The HGV Weight Limit signs are still being discussed.

Mr Trickett announced that Mr Chris Bagent of Jasons, Fore Street, Winsham has been appointed, unopposed, as District Councillor for the Ward.

117. Financial Statement.

The Clerk provided a Statement to each Councillor. Following a discussion Mr Wilson proposed the figures should be accepted and also that a Statement should be made at quarterly intervals. This was agreed.

118. Application for a Memorial in the Cemetery.

The Application is for a Kerb Surround at the grave of Mrs M A Dowell. The matter was discussed and finally agreed.

Cemetery Fees will be discussed at the next meeting.

The Clerk was asked to write to H Bishop & Sons complaining at damage to headstones in the Cemetery by the Gravedigger.

119. Receipts and Payments.

Received:- £67.50 - Purchased Grave for the late Mr K D J Slade.
£1900 Precept.

It was resolved to pay:- K D J Slade & Sons £554.53p.

Clerk's Pay £159.50p.

50% Clerk's Tele Rental £8.50p.

Jubilee Hall Man. Comm. Hall Rental £25.00p.

Petty Cash £20.00p.

Bank Balance:- Current Account £881.09p.

Deposit Account £1421.37p.

120. Correspondence.

Wildwalks in Somerset.

National Environment Week - May 11 - 19th.

121. Any other business.

Mr Woodward will offer to help Mr Payne fix the Litter Bin at the School. Footpath Marker Posts at Hazlewood Farm. The fixing of these will be organised.

The next meeting will be the Annual Parish Council meeting on 10th May 1991.

M. L. [Signature]
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