

WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Winsham Annual Parish Council meeting held on the 15th May 1987 in the Jubilee Hall at 8 p.m.

Present:- Mrs M Loaring, Mr R M Smart, Mrs C Douglass, Mrs M Fowler, Mr D Woodward, Mr D Howers, Mr C Slade and 2 Members of the Public.

1. Apologies for absence.

Were received from Miss E Cleave and Mrs R Rose.

2. Acceptance of Office by Councillors.

The appropriate forms were signed by the elected Councillors present.

3. Election of Officers, Committees and Representatives.

Mrs M Loaring was elected as Chairman.

Mr C Slade was elected as Vice Chairman.

Mrs M Loaring, Mr R M Smart and Mr C Slade were elected as the Winsham Planning Committee.

Mr D Woodward was elected to the Jubilee Hall Management Committee.

Mr C Slade was elected to the Recreation Ground Management Committee.

Mr R M Smart and Mrs R Rose were elected to the Somerset Association of Local Councils.

Mr D Woodward was elected to Civil Protection. (Formally Emergency Planning).

Mrs M Loaring was confirmed as a School Governor.

4. Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting on 2nd April 1987 were signed as a true record.

5. Matters arising.

Ref: Min: 141 - War Memorial Damage. K D J Slade & Sons have found another supplier of the replacement stones and have been promised delivery in 2 weeks.

Faults in Road Surfaces. The Clerk was asked to chase a reply to the letter of the 7th April.

Clerk's Telephone Bill. It was proposed by Mr R M Smart, seconded by Mr D Howers and carried that the Parish Council will pay 50% of the Rental in the sum of £8.50 per quarter. Cemetery Gate. Estimates for works as agreed in Minute 117, dated 13th February 1987 have been received from K D J Slade & Sons in the sum of £226.50 + VAT and from Chard Contract Fencing in the sum of £305.00 + VAT. It was agreed to provisionally accept the estimate from K D J Slade & Sons. This item will be included on the next Agenda.

Street Nameplates. The Clerk was asked to write to the District Council saying that if they did not finish the Nameplates very soon, the Parish Council would have the work done and send them the account.

Grass Cutting. Two estimates for the work have been received. The price from B E Powell & Son is £85 per cut. The price from the Direct Labour Organisation is £224 per cut. The quote from B E Powell & Son has been accepted.

Ref: Min: 144 - Jubilee Hall. Mrs Loaring spoke on the subject of a Capital Grant for the improvements to the Hall. The Role of the Parish Council was explained. The subject will be on the Agenda for the next meeting.

It was decided to invite Mrs Montagnon (County Councillor) to a Parish Council meeting.

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6. Planning.

- 870621 The erection of a Garage. Major and Mrs J B Loveluck.
This Application has been approved.
- 870439 The erection of a dwelling on land adjoining Malthouse, Winsham.
This Application has been refused.
Caravan at Kingsfield Nursery, Winsham.
The caravan is to be moved.
- 870743 Extensions to Fosseyway House, Winsham.
This Application has been granted.
- 871077 Dumping of soil at Whatley Bottom.
The Winsham Parish Council have sent objections regarding access to the Site. Copies of all letters sent and received have been sent to Mr Fisher who will attend the District Planning meeting and stress the points made by the Parish Council.

7. Sewerage Works.

This item was intended to be discussed under the auspices of Mr Fisher. As he was not at the meeting, it was decided to leave the matter in abeyance and include the subject on the next Agenda,

8. Footpaths.

It was decided to write to Mr P Reynolds of the District Council, asking for advice on Footpaths and Stiles in poor condition. The Footpath at Broadenham Lane is reported to be in a bad state.

9. Banking.

It was resolved to open an account with Nat West Bank in Chard. The mandate was signed by Mrs Loaring, Mr Smart, Mr Woodward and Mrs Fowler.

10. Receipts and Payments.

It was agreed to pay:-
Subscription to the Somerset Association of Local Councils £42.74p.
Clerk's pay £77.68p.
Petty Cash £20.00p.
For Mr Howers to attend the Village Initiatives Conference £4.50p.
Received Precept of £1400.00p. ^

11. Correspondence.

A letter from Stone's (Monumental Masons) asking for approval for an additional inscription on the Hugh Channing memorial. Approval given.
The fee is £5.00p. ^

A letter from R Norton (Monumental Sculptor) asking for permission to replace the existing kerbing on the Grabham grave with a Granite Tablet. Permission given. The fee will be £5.00p.

Street Lighting by Parish Councils.
Farming and the Public Highway.
Parish Rates. The Winsham Rate is 2.60p. ^

12. Any other business.

Mrs Fowler reported the rubbish bin in the Cemetery needs emptying.
Mr Slade asked the Clerk to chase the reply to the letter on the SCARAB.

The next meeting will be on Friday, 12th June 1987.

M. Loaring
12.6.87.