

W I N S H A M P A R I S H C O U N C I L

Minutes of a meeting of Winsham Parish Council held in the Jubilee Hall on Friday, June 19th, 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 A. Meech, Mr C. Slade and Mr R. Smart.

853 Major Cameron thanked the retiring Chairman, the Rev. B.L. Bateson, for all the work that he had done for the Parish Council.

854 The Minutes of the Annual Meeting, held on May 15th, 1981, having been circulated were signed as correct. The Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting, held on June 10th, 1981, had been signed at the meeting to which they referred.

855 Matter arising

Ref. 845 (1). A reply was awaited from Yeovil District Council concerning Bridleway 30/6 on Iue Farm.

Ref. 845 (4). The Clerk was asked to write again to Mr Wheaton about the cemetery path.

Ref. 850. Broadenham Lane. Water was still coming from the spring near the Bridleway Street signs. The Clerk had telephoned about fixing the sign for Western Way and securing other street signs which needed attention.

856 Planning

Applications had been received for:-

811175 Removal of existing garage and porch and erection of garage/workshop <sup>and a</sup> porch at Lullingstone, Fore St., Winsham for Mr D.R. Jones.  
It was agreed to send the following comments to the Planning Authority:-  
"Winsham Parish Council consider that this would be an improvement except for one point. The garage in its new position will partially block the view from the back of the neighbouring property, "Kimmerdene"."

811252 The erection of a garage and extension to bungalow at Whitegate, Forton, Chard for J. and S. Cockram.  
The Council had no objection.

A circular letter had been received on behalf of E. Coker Parish Council complaining about the procedure for comments on planning applications for Parish Councils. Mr Colin Slade felt that if a Parish Council involved itself in all decisions, then the District Council took more notice of it. He felt that the system was working reasonably well with us. However, when Yeovil District Council did not agree with any comments we made, explanations would be welcome.


857 Precept

It was agreed to precept for £1,250 for the year April 1st, 1981 - 2.

858 Receipts and Payments

Received from Grassby and Sons Ltd for G.W. Stocks for the Bray memorial £10.00

The SWEB account had been wrongly made out for the installation of the footway light near the George and the Clerk had returned the bill of £184. 54 to Mr Cable of SWEB who agreed that this was an error as the original estimate was about £70. The Council agreed to authorise payment of the revised bill when it arrived if it was no more than £80.



859 Somerset Association of Local Councils

*at a recent Area Committee meeting*  
It was reported that there had been a discussion about sub post offices and it was hoped that at least some cash benefits would be paid there. Definitive maps showing footpaths were difficult to obtain.

(a) Planning permission for agricultural dwellings.

This permission was not difficult to obtain if there was a need but the Ministry was not always aware of local conditions. Mr Colin Slade considered that this should be settled locally or at least at County level. He said that he would like this to be discussed at our next meeting.

(b) District Councils

It was felt that the size of District Councils should be reduced as there were some functions which the Parish Councils and County Councils could do better than the District Councils.

860 Village celebration to mark the Royal Wedding Day

A letter had been received from Mrs Abbey and Mr Douglas asking if the Children's Recreation Ground could be used for this event and whether the Parish Council could contribute some money towards it. The Council agreed that the Children's Recreation Ground could be used with suitable safeguards and insurance for the event but it did not feel that it could contribute any money.

861 Home Defence

Mr Slade reported that Yeovil District Council had proposed that each Parish should appoint a Committee of four persons who would organise emergency measures for Civil Defence. Training courses would be arranged by Yeovil District Council next winter.

It was suggested that Mr Slade and Mr Payne might serve on this Committee and the Clerk was asked to find out anyone else who might be interested

862 Dates of future meetings

A further meeting of Winsham Parish Council was arranged for Friday, Sept. 25th., the next meeting having been previously arranged for Friday, August 14th at 8.0 p.m.

It was hoped that Mr Withers would be able to talk to us about the Winsham United Charities at the meeting on August 14th.

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Chairman