

WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Winsham Parish Council held in the Jubilee Hall on 27th January 1975.

Present; Miss B.M. Harding (Chairman), R.J. Ashman, S.G. Barnham, Rev. B.L. Bateson, C.W. Hawker, N.M. Hebditch, F.W.D. Withers, Miss M.A. Wren.

Apologies; Apologies for absence were received from Maj. K.I. Cameron.

151 Minutes;

The Minutes of the last meeting having been circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

152 Matters Arising

Reference Minute 129, it was noted that the obstruction had been removed in Pool's Lane, but that the County Council had taken no action in Co I ham Lane.

153 Footpaths

Reference Minute 131; Mr. Barnham reported that he hoped to have survey complete by the next meeting.

The matter of footpath signposts was discussed. The Clerk said that he understood that very little money was being allocated by the District Council for this, but that he would make enquiries.

It was noted that the street nameplates had still not been erected.

154 Burial Fees

Mr. Hawker reported that evidence so far obtained did not provide a basis for any higher charges. Agreed that further investigations should be made and the matter be offered to the next meeting.

155 Planning Applications

The following decisions had been received:

Conversion of Old Gospel Hall into living accommodation - refused.

Erection of bungalow at Whatley Lane Pig Farm - approved.

Conversion of barn into living accommodation at Vale View Cottage, Court Street - refused.

Applications:

Use of butcher's shop for residential purposes at 1 Church Street -
RESOLVED to recommend approval.

Outline: Erection of bungalow on land adjacent to Goosemoor, Ebben Lane -
RESOLVED to raise no objection, subject to provision of suitable access.

Listed Building: Conversion of Manor Farm Cottage (house) into two dwellings -

RESOLVED to raise no objection, subject to character of building being retained and suitable access and parking being provided.

Construction of sewage treatment works - RESOLVED to recommend approval,
RESOLVED that notice of new planning applications be displayed in the notice board.

The Clerk read a letter received from Miss Churchill concerning the refusal of planning permission for a bungalow. Agreed that the Clerk should ask the District Council for details of the application and decision.

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156 Maintenance

With reference to Minute 137, the Clerk reported that Yeovil I District Council

had suggested that responsibility for the churchyard might be passed to them. Agreed that this would be desirable and that the Parochial Church Council should be asked to give formal notice to the Parish Council so that the matter can be resolved.

The District Council's estimate for maintenance work had not yet been received.

157 Tree near Davies Close

Reference Minute 139, a letter was read from Mr. Hammett stating that a contractor had been instructed to fell the tree. After discussion, a resolution that Mr. Hammett be asked to save the tree was defeated.

158 Sewerage Scheme

It was agreed that the Public Meeting held on 23rd January to explain the scheme had been very successful. The Clerk reported that a copy of the plan was now displayed in the notice board and suggested that a notice should be added giving brief details and the procedure for any complaints.

159 Insurance

The Clerk pointed out that the only insurance held by the Council was for Employer's Liability. RESOLVED that cover should also be obtained for Public Liability up to £100,000 and Personal Accident to Councillors and the Clerk in the course of their duties.

160 Stationery

Deferred to next meeting.

161 "Local Council Administration"

RESOLVED to purchase the above book at the pre-publication price of £7.

162 Parish Clerks Course

The Clerk reported that the Follow-Up Course for Parish Clerks was being held on February 21-23 the cost being £20. RESOLVED that he should attend.

163 Accounts

RESOLVED to authorise payments of the following accounts:

Somerset County Council	Course for Parish Clerk	£21.60
Smart Print	Printing and stationery	8.45
R.M. Smart	Clerk's Salary Nov/Dec	16.67

164 Dates of Meetings

The next meetings were fixed for 24th February, 14th April and 2nd June, all at 7.45 p.m. in the Jubilee Hall.

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