

WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 3rd JUNE 1998 AT THE JUBILEE HALL, WINSHAM.

001 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

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| Those present: | Mr. C. Slade | Chairman |
| | Mrs. A. Rose | Vice Chairman |
| | Mr. J. Sullivan | |
| | Mrs. H. Duke | |
| | Mr. E. Partridge | |
| | Mr. K. Fowler | |
| | Mrs. J. Gowers | |
| | Mr. G. Winter | |
| | Mr. J. Aslett | |
| | Mr. D. Esp | County Cllr. |
| | Mr. K. Harvie | Retiring Clerk |

Apologies were received from Mrs. S. Abbey (District Cllr.)
There were five members of the public present.

The Chairman welcomed those present, P.C. R. Saunders and the new clerk Mrs. Pat Green.

002 P.C. Roger Saunders

The three boys given a warning under the *Protection from Harassment Act* have not been seen in the vicinity since.

It was stressed that members of the community should contact the police when events are happening, it can then be dealt with at the time. Parishioners were invited to question P.C. Saunders and much discussion followed.

The chairman thanked P.C. Saunders for attending.

003 Public Question Time

Mr. Guy Crowden (Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators) informed councillors and parishioner that a new neighbourhood watch bulletin had just been produced.

The chairman said the playingfield equipment and rec. would be on July agenda.

Parishioners were thanked for their attendance by the chairman.

004 MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON 6th May 1998

These were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

005 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND ANY ACTION TAKEN/TO BE TAKEN

- a) New tarmac round the manhole cover in the rec. was uneven. The chairman has seen someone fall badly at this spot. It was decided that the chairman would concrete this patch to bring it to the same level as the path.
- b) A sign needed saying *No ball games* in the small rec. ground . The chairman to provide board and the previous Clerk to write sign.
- c) Guard rail at school - no news as yet.

006 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application No. 98/01034/TEA Mercury Personal Communications Ltd - Notification of intent to erect additional antennae on existing tower together with associated cabinet (GR 384/096). This was an observation only - the council have no objections

Application 98/01218/AGN - Mrs. S. Versluys - Notification of intent to form an agricultural road (GR 376/085) - Location land adjoining Ken Hill, Cricket St. Thomas.
This was an observation only - The clerk to ask for an extension and to be discussed fully in July after a site visit.

007 APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

Greystone Forge £2,564.00 - work on cemetery railing. It was decided to deduct 15% until the rust situation was sorted. (This has subsequently been dealt with and cheque can be paid in full)

Mrs. S. Abbey had requested £10.00 for plants to put in the water trough - agreed.

008 Mr. D. ESP - COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Somerset County Council have provided just over one million to increase rural bus services in the county- it was felt a service to Musgrove Hospital would be a benefit.

Had there been any feedback on signs - there had not.
He would contact Highways regarding hedges extending too far out into the road.
Enquiries to be made regarding improvements re: flooding at Court Street.
Cutting - boulders had fallen out into the road, also manhole on the brow of the hill.
Mr. Esp would arrange a meeting with Highways.

009 Mrs. S. ABBEY DISTRICT COUNCILOR

Mrs. Abbey had sent her apologies, however she had passed a message on regarding the existing council homes - she had suggested that none of these to be sold until the current housing situation was resolved.

010 **ERECTION OF CEMETERY FENCE**

After much discussion it was decided that this should be put out to tender, the following to be invited to submit quotes:

B.E. Powell & Sons - Tatworth
Grey Stone Forge - Forton
A.E. Partridge - Winsham

The clerk to write to these three and ask for quotes to be returned by 30th June at the latest. Work to be carried out by end of September. Mr. J. Sullivan to contact clerk regarding wording of quote letter.
Sub-committee to make recommendations.

011 **PARISH LEAFLET**

It was suggested that the money won by the parish in the Village of the Year competition to be used to publish a Village Guide. These to be in A5, eight pages. To give details of activities, footpaths etc. 500 to be produced, delivered to all households and remainder to be sold in the shop.

All agreed that this was an excellent idea. Mr. J. Sullivan to produce further details at the July meeting.

012 **CORRESPONDENCE**

Playground equipment - certain repairs needed. Mr. K. Fowler to report back on this in July. (Mr. D. Esp left the meeting 9.45)

Cemetery - new area, new graves. These have not be turfed. Sub committee to look into this and report back in July.

Kelvin & Sons - to erect a memorial in memory of William Ewart Joyce - this was approved. The clerk to confirm this.

Appleby & Childs - to erect a black granite tablet measuring 18" x 12" x 4" x 2" in memory of Geoffrey Stephen Jones - it was felt that this would cause problems mowing. The clerk to write advising that it should be flat and not partly raised.

Remaining correspondence read to the council and distributed.

013 **MEMBERS QUESTIONS AND OBSERVATIONS**

An offer of 5 hours community service a day to be carried out in the parish- Mr. K. Fowler to take action on this and report at the July meeting.

The chairman reported that he had attended a presentation at Cricket St. Thomas by Warners who had purchased part of the estate. Most changes would be internal - it would now be a hotel for adults. Twelve million would be spent on renovations and changes. It should start running by next summer. Warners to manage the wild life park.

Street Fair to be held on 27th June - grass would be cut and picked up prior to this.

Contact to be made through B.T for ^{telegraph poles} ~~railway sleepers~~ to form a compost heap for grass cuttings. Parishioners to be invited to use this when mulched. Mr. E. Partridge to report back in July.

New procedures agreed arising from the meeting of Councillors at the Jubilee Hall on 12th May 1998 and were formally accepted. Teams leaders on sub committees to report in July.

Extension to day room at Davies Close has been approved.

The chairman thanked the retiring Clerk Mr. K. Harvie for all he had done during his time as clerk.

The new clerk to arrange to collect all paperwork from Mr. Harvie.

The new clerk has the current minute book and correspondence to be dealt with.

Mr. Harvie retained the cheque book.

014 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The Parish Council meeting will be held on 1st July 1998 at 8.00 p.m at the Jubilee Hall, Winsham.

The meeting closed at 10.15 p.m

Signed..... *R. A. Rose* Vice - Chairman

Date..... *1st July '98*