



## Winsham Parish Council

### Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 1st September 2021

**Present:** Cllrs J. Everard (Chair), K. Fowler, L. Miller, J. Clampett, T. Harris, S. Love, H. Beentje, J. Hill and S. Weller  
**In attendance:** County Councillor Linda Piggott-Vijeh, District Councillor Sue Osborne,  
Clerk to the Council Rose Richards and 7 residents

#### **4343 To Receive Apologies for Absence and to Approve the Reasons given (LGA 1972 s85(1))**

Apologies were received from Cllr Miller and the reason given approved.

#### **4344 To receive any Declarations of Interest – None**

#### **4345 Approve the Minutes of the Council Meeting Held in August (LGA 1972 sch 12, para 41(1))**

**Resolved:** Members approved the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 4th August 2021.

**Proposed:** Cllr Love **Seconded:** Cllr Weller **Vote:** 6-0-2

**Planning Application Reference: 21/01876/FUL** was discussed in full as 6 residents had attended the meeting specifically to comment on the application.

**Resolved:** Members resolved to object to the application on a number of grounds.

**Proposed:** Cllr Weller **Seconded:** Cllr Love **Vote:** 8-0-0

#### **4346 Outstanding Items Update**

- a) Pooles Lane pot holes – Efforts are in place to get tarmac to fill the holes
- b) Quotes for fencing on south side of Pooles Lane

**Resolved:** Members resolved to accept the quote from Powell's for rustic fencing providing the quote includes removing the old fence **Proposed:** Cllr Everard **Seconded:** Cllr Fowler **Vote:** 7-0-1

- c) Grubbing up of the hedge at Rose Lane Purtington – Awaiting a reply from Highways
- d) Plaques for Picnic Tables – Cllr Fowler has created two plaques which were agreed to be suitable.

#### **4347 Finance**

- a) To note the schedule of cheques
- b) To approve the bank reconciliations for 2nd August 2021
- c) Members to appoint a further bank signatory
- d) Members to agree on a transfer of funds from the Deposit Account to the Current Account

**Resolved:** Members approved the bank reconciliations **Proposed:** Cllr Beentje **Seconded:** Cllr Fowler **Vote:** 8-0-0

**Resolved:** Members agreed to appoint Cllr Beentje as a bank signatory **Proposed:** Cllr Fowler **Seconded:** Cllr Clampett **Vote:** 7-0-1

**Resolved:** Members agreed to transfer £8,000 from the deposit account to the current account

**Proposed:** Cllr Everard **Seconded:** Cllr Harris **Vote:** 8-0-0

#### **4348 Planning Matters**

- a) Members to resolve Applications received
  - Application Reference: 21/01546/FUL and 21/01547/LBC  
Applicant: Amy Roberts  
Location: Purtington House Limekiln Lane Winsham TA20 4DH  
Proposal: The erection of an additional 4 No. stables and 1 No. store with link attached to existing feed store and stable block  
Observations Required by: 8th September 2021

**Resolved:** Members resolved to recommend approval of the application

**Proposed:** Cllr Beentje **Seconded:** Cllr Hill **Vote:** 8-0-0

- Application Reference: 20/03090/HOU  
Applicant: Mr & Mrs David & Fiona Vickers  
Location: Whatley Farm Whatley Cross to Street Winsham Chard TA20 4JS  
Proposal: Internal and external alterations for a replacement roof

Comments Required by: 3rd September 2021

**Resolved:** Members resolved to recommend approval of the application

**Proposed:** Cllr Weller **Seconded:** Cllr Clampett **Vote:** 8-0-0

- Application Reference: 21/01876/FUL  
Applicant: Pip Hodge  
Location: Land At Whitegate Fosse Way Winsham Chard Somerset  
Proposal: Change of use land to residential Gypsy site, comprising 1 Barn/Day room, 1 mobile home and 1 touring van along with associated works.  
Observations Required by: 7th September 2021

**Resolved:** See page one

- b) Planning determinations received from SSDC – None received

#### **4349 Document Review**

Members to review and adopt the following policies:

- a) Complaints Code of Practice – No Change
- b) Community Engagement Policy – Needs updating to remove Twitter from the policy
- c) Anti-Bullying and Harassment Policy – Needs updating to include the same characteristic as the Equality & Diversity Policy
- d) Equality & Diversity Policy – No Change
- e) Website Accessibility Statement – Written by Vision ICT and copied from our website

**Resolved:** Members resolved to adopt the policies en bloc after the changes have been made

**Proposed:** Cllr Everard **Sec:** Cllr Love **Vote:** 8-0-0

#### **4350 Proposal: To purchase a Remembrance Day Wreath and agree who will lay it**

**Resolved:** Members agreed to purchase a wreath and to ask Andrew Simkins if he would lay it on behalf of the council.

#### **4351 Members to consider a repeat order for the Play Inspection Company to carry out annual inspections**

**Resolved:** Members resolved to place a repeat order with the Play Inspection Company for every year

**Proposed:** Cllr Love **Sec:** Cllr Hill **Vote:** 8-0-0

#### **4352 Members to decide on whether to move the next Parish Council election to 2022 instead of 2023**

This will keep the elections in sync with the Principal Authority elections going forward.

**Resolved:** Members resolved to move the next parish election to 2022

**Proposed:** Cllr Everard **Sec:** Cllr Clampett **Vote:** 8-0-0

#### **4353 Members to decide whether to support T1004342 - Winsham pedestrian safety improvements**

**Resolved:** Members were concerned over the loss of parking spaces on Church Street. It was agreed a working group would be formed to discuss this in full.

#### **4354 Members to consider the application for a donation for the Christmas Tree Lighting event**

**Resolved:** Members resolved to donate the £100 requested

**Proposed:** Cllr Harris **Sec:** Cllr Weller **Vote:** 7-0-1

#### **4355 Items for Report**

- a) Parish Assets:
  - ◆ Cemetery and Churchyard - The cemetery gate catch has been replaced and the cuttings bin emptied. Cllrs Hill and Beentje will tackle the West gate corner of the Churchyard, as discussed with Peter Saunders.
  - ◆ Lower Recreation Ground
  - ◆ Bus Shelter
  - ◆ War Memorial – Plans to improve the memorial are continuing
  - ◆ Seating, Signage and Bins
  - ◆ Telephone Box – The book exchange is going very well
- b) Web Sites – The updated version of Winsham Web Museum has now gone live

**Action:** Cllrs Everard and Harris to attend a training session.

- c) Welcome Pack

- d) Public Rights of Way – Cllr Hill reported on a number of dogs being attacked by one particular dog. It is hoped that anyone whose dog is attacked will report this to the police by ringing 101 and put in a formal complaint to the council.
- e) Grass Cutting Report – It was reported that someone has been tipping grass cutting from gardens on the Upper Rec. **Action:** Clerk to write to the person involved and ask them to desist.
- f) Highways and Bus Services
- g) Reports from member representatives on outside bodies:
  - ◆ Jubilee Hall
  - ◆ Winsham Recreational Trust – An alcohol license has now been issued, security shutters have been installed and the toilets updated. There are now around 50 members and plans to hold an AGM in October. The Council thanked the WRT for all their hard work.
  - ◆ Winsham Community Resource Centre
- h) Clerk's report and correspondence – see Agenda Notes
- i) Training

**4356 Confidential Items**

Proposal: Under Standing Orders 3d and 10xi the Parish Council resolves that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted (legal, personal or commercial), the press and public be excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

**4357 Legal Proceedings - Members to review progress of any legal proceedings and associated matters**

**4358 Date of the Next Meeting – Wednesday 6th October**

Meeting Closed at: 9.45pm