



Winsham Parish Council



Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held at The Jubilee Hall on Wednesday 7th February 2018 at 7:30pm

Present: Cllrs R Miller, J Stevens, D Wallbridge, A Simkins, and S Davie
In attendance: Mrs Teresa Pinder, Clerk to The Council; and 4 residents.

Two PCSOs attended to update the community on this rural area's most recent crime, 41 recorded instances over the last months, 3 of which were in the Winsham area although this wasn't actual reported crime.

3467 COUNCILLOR CO-OPTION

Proposal: To co-opt a Councillor onto Winsham Parish Council.

Resolved: No applications were received, so this item was deferred for a further month.

3468 TO RECEIVE THE CO-OPTED COUNCILLOR'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Proposal: The co-opted Councillor to sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Resolved: This item was deferred as no applications had been received.

3469 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND APPROVE REASONS GIVEN (LGA 1972 s85 (1))

Cllr N Eastick sent his apologies due to being ill and Cllr D Clark also sent his apologies.

The Members were happy with the reasons given.

3470 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

3471 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 3RD JANUARY 2018 (LGA 1972 sch 12, para 41(1))

Resolved: The minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on the 3rd January 2018 were approved as a correct and accurate record and were signed by the Chairman.

Proposed: Cllr A Simkins Seconded: Cllr R Miller 5-0-0

3471 PLANNING MATTERS

- a) Applications
None received
- b) Planning determinations received from SSDC
Decisions were available to view at the meeting.

3472 FINANCE

Proposal: Members to:

- a) Note the schedule of cheques.
- b) Note the Bank reconciliation for December 2017.

Resolved: The Members:

- a) Noted the schedule of cheques numbered 322370 to 322376 and direct debits totalling £867.33.
The cheques this month were signed by Cllrs R Miller & A Simkins
- b) Noted the Bank reconciliation for December 2017.

3473 ULTRAFAST BROADBAND

Proposal: Members to:

- a) Decide whether to promote the registering of interest for ultra-fast broadband with Gigaclear.
- b) If (a) agreed, then who will take responsibility for communications and being the point of contact.

Resolved: The Members:

- a) Agreed that the Parish Council should promote the registering of interest for ultra-fast broadband with Gigaclear.
- b) Agreed that Cllr A Simkins should take responsibility for communications and being the point of contact.

Voting was taken en bloc for both items.

Proposed: Cllr R Miller Seconded: Cllr S Davie 5-0-0

3474 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE END OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR COMMEMORATIONS

Proposal: Members to consider how to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War.

Resolved: The Members agreed to hold an event on the 11th November 2018 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of the first world war. Suggested type of programme would be to start at the cenotaph at 10.50 am, following the laying of wreaths to walk down to St Stephen's Church for a 30 minute service and then back to the Jubilee Hall for lunch. Cllr J Stevens will speak to the Church and Cllr A Simkins will contact the School to ask if they would like to be involved.

Proposed: Cllr J Stevens Seconded: Cllr S Davie 5-0-0

The Members agreed to move item number 10 Action Plan Review down the Agenda to before item 19 Training and Development.

3475 SOUTH SOMERSET DISTRICT COUNCIL BOUNDARY REVIEW

Proposal: Members to consider a response to the proposed new district boundaries within South Somerset District Council area.

Resolved: The Members approved the following response to be send to South Somerset District Council – Winsham Parish Council was more than happy with the proposed new district boundaries within South Somerset District Council.

Proposed: Cllr J Stevens Seconded: Cllr S Davie 5-0-0

3476 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Proposal: Members to agree list of invitees and format of the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 15th May 2018.

Resolved: The Members approved the list of invitees and the format of the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 15th May 2018 to be in the same format as last year. The Clerk will correspond with the various organisations to invite them to make a presentation.

Proposed: Cllr S Davie Seconded: Cllr A Simkins 5-0-0

3477 WINSHAM CHRISTMAS TREE

Proposal: Members to consider a request for a donation of £100 to this year's Christmas Tree Appeal.

Resolved: The Members agreed to donate £100 to this year's Christmas Tree Appeal, under the General Power of Competence.

Proposed: Cllr J Stevens Seconded: Cllr R Miller 5-0-0

3478 MEET YOUR COUNCILLOR

Proposal: Members to agree:

- a) Additional Dates and times for future surgeries.
- b) Session length.
- c) Who will attend the future surgeries at The Bell Inn.

Resolved: The Members:

- a) Approved the additional dates and times for future surgeries up until August 2018 which will be published on the website, although the councillor surgery to be held on the 17th February 2018 is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.
- b) Approved the session length be reduced to 1 hour from the March surgery.
- c) Agreed who will attend the future surgeries at The Bell Inn for the time being.

Proposed: Cllr R Miller Seconded: Cllr A Simkins 5-0-0

3479 COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Proposal: Members to agree to a simplified method for receiving nominations.

Resolved: The Members agreed that nominations could be simplified. For the simplified version the Parish Council will need the name, address, phone number, in an email or letter, with a statement of no less than 50 words, about the person or persons that are being nominated. Nominations are to be sent to the Clerk, although the nomination form available on the website could also still be used. The closing date for nominations is the 31st March 2018.

Proposed: Cllr J Stevens Seconded: Cllr S Davie 5-0-0

3480 SOCIETY OF LOCAL COUNCIL CLERKS (SLCC) MEMBERSHIP

Proposal: To approve the continued Principal Membership for the Clerk to the SLCC at a cost of £134.00.

Resolved: The Members approved the continued Principal Membership for the Clerk to the SLCC at a cost of £134.00 with effect from 1st March 2018. The separate trade union membership – Association of Local Council Clerks (ALCC) will be paid for by the Clerk.

Proposed: Cllr J Stevens Seconded: Cllr S Davie 5-0-0

3481 30 MPH ZONE EXTENSION – B3162

Proposer: Cllr A Simkins

Proposal: To request the Dorset Highways Department to extend the 30 mph speed limit on the B3162 to Bere Farm.

Resolved: The Members agreed to ask Thorncombe Parish Council if they would consider working jointly on the possibility of extending the 30mph speed limit on the B3162 to Bere Farm. Cllr A Simkins will report back at the next Parish Council meeting as to progress at that time.

Proposed: Cllr A Simkins Seconded: Cllr J Stevens 5-0-0

3482 HEDGE ALONG THE EDGE OF THE LOWER RECREATION GROUND

To receive an update.

Proposal: To consider the next steps.

Resolved: The Members agreed to leave matters as they are as some of the hedge has been cut back.

Proposed: Cllr S Davie Seconded: Cllr A Simkins 5-0-0

This item was moved down from earlier in the Agenda.

3483 ACTION PLAN REVIEW

Proposal: Members to

- a) Review and agree the conclusions on the Action Plan for 2017.
- b) Agree the Action Plan for 2018.

Resolved: The Members:

- a) Reviewed and agreed the conclusions on the Action Plan Review for 2017.

Proposed: Cllr J Stevens Seconded: Cllr D Wallbridge 5-0-0

- b) Approved the Action Plan for 2018.

Proposed: Cllr R Miller Seconded: Cllr S Davie 5-0-0

3484 TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Proposal: To update and review training for:

- a) The Clerk
- b) Councillors

Resolved:

- a) There was nothing further to report.
- b) The Councillors Training event scheduled for 22nd February has had to be re-scheduled. The event will now take place on the 19th April 2018.

3485 OUTSTANDING ITEMS UPDATE

Proposal: To receive updates on the following outstanding items:

- a) Land Registry of Parish Council's Land Assets

- b) Letter to SCC CEO regarding obstructed footpath CH30/7
- c) Assets of Community Value – School
Cllr J Stevens will contact the school on this matter.
- d) Bus Service meeting with Somerset County Council
Cllr A Simkins will contact the County Councillor Linda Vijeh on this matter.
- e) War Memorial Cleaning
The cleaning will be undertaken in early Spring.
- f) Networking Event - Chard Business Voice
The event will be held later in the year.
- g) Housing Survey
The results are due mid to late February.
- h) Youth Needs Survey

Resolved: Updates were given on the above items

3486 ITEMS FOR REPORT

- a) **Parish Assets:**
Cemetery, Upper Rec/Lower Rec, Resource Centre, Bus Shelter, War Memorial, Seating, Signage and Bins
The Clerk confirmed that the new Dog Bin had been installed near to the entrance to Hollowells and a new filled Grit Bin installed by the School entrance.
- b) **Web Sites, Welcome Pack**
Nothing to report.
- c) **Public Rights of Way**
Nothing to report
- d) **Grass Cutting Report**
The Clerk will write to the grass contractor again to enquire about costs for the forthcoming season.
- e) **Highways and Bus Services**
A report on the SID results was read out and will be circulated to the Members.
- f) **Reports from member representatives on outside bodies.**
Cllr N Eastick wasn't present so there was no update on the outside bodies he represents.
- g) **Clerk's report and correspondence**
The Winsham Parish Council's Newsletter No 2 was issued to various members for distribution in to Parish.

3487 QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN

No questions were raised.

3488 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY 7TH MARCH 2018

The meeting closed at 9.25 pm

Signed: Chairman

Dated: 7th March 2018