



Winsham Parish Council



Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held at The Jubilee Hall on Wednesday 1st August 2018 at 7:30pm

Present: Cllrs A Simkins, S Davie, N Eastick, B Lewsey, P Williams, J Bell and D Wallbridge

In attendance: Mrs Teresa Pinder, Clerk to The Council; County Councillor Linda Vijeh, District Councillor Sue Osborne and 20 residents.

3616 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND APPROVE REASONS GIVEN (LGA 1972 s85 (1))

Cllr D Clark sent his apologies due to unforeseen circumstances.

The reason given was accepted by the Members.

3617 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr D Wallbridge declared a pecuniary interest in item 9, Playing Fields Access, and a personal interest in item 10 Proposed Parking at WCRC.

Cllr S Davie declared a pecuniary interest in item 18, Damage to Lower Recreation Ground Retaining Wall on Western Way.

Cllr J Bell declared a personal interest in item 9, Playing Fields Access and item 8, Winsham Playing Fields Charity Lease.

Cllr A Simkins declared a personal interest in item 10, Proposed Parking at WCRC.

3618 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 17TH JULY 2018 (LGA 1972 sch 12, para 41(1))

Resolved: The minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on the 17th July 2018 were approved as a correct and accurate record and were signed by the Chairman.

Proposed: Cllr N Eastick Seconded: Cllr S Davie 6-0-1

3619 PLANNING MATTERS

a) Applications:

No applications received.

b) Planning determinations received from SSDC

Planning determinations received from SSDC were available to view at the meeting.

c) Plans and determinations received after the posting of the agenda

No applications received.

d) To appoint a Member to lead on future planning applications.

Resolved: Cllr S Davie was appointed to lead on future planning applications.

Proposed: Cllr B Lewsey Seconded: Cllr J Bell 7-0-0

3620 FINANCE

Proposal:

(a) To note the schedule of cheques.

(b) To approve the bank reconciliations as at 30th June 2018.

Resolved: The Members:

a) Noted the schedule of cheques numbered 322414 to 322417 and direct debit totalling £454.39. The cheques were signed by Cllrs N Eastick and S Davie.

b) Approved the bank reconciliations as at 30th June 2018.

Proposed: Cllr N Eastick Seconded: Cllr A Simkins 7-0-0

The Members agreed that agenda Items 8 and 9 were to be brought up the Agenda.

3621 WINSHAM PLAYING FIELDS TRUST LEASE

Proposal: Members to discuss reviewing the lease between the Parish Council and the Winsham Playing Fields Trust that currently exists.

Resolved: The Members agreed to seek legal advice from SSDC and for as many members of the Parish Council as possible to meet with the Trustees of the Winsham Playing Fields Trust on Wednesday 15th August at 7.00 pm to discuss the future of the lease.

Proposed: Cllr A Simkins Seconded: Cllr J Bell 7-0-0

Cllrs D Wallbridge and J Bell left the room at 8.50 pm

3622 PLAYING FIELDS ACCESS

To receive an update on the current position.

Proposal: Members to

- a) Review access to the playing field.
- b) Further consider the residents submission with a view to seeking a resolution.

Cllr P Williams left the meeting at 8.59 pm due to feeling unwell.

Resolved: The Members:

- a) Requested the land owner and the Trustees of the Winsham Playing Fields Trust to meet within the next 72 hours to seek a resolution. The Chairman and Members will make themselves available. The Trustees of the Trust will check their level of liability on their own insurance. The Members requested the land owner to consider getting his own public liability insurance in time for the meeting with the Trustees.

Proposed: Cllr S Davie Seconded: Cllr B Lewsey 4-0-2

- b) Requested the Trustees provide the relevant public domain information to the resident within 14 days.

Proposed: Cllr S Davie Seconded: Cllr B Lewsey 4-0-2

Cllrs D Wallbridge and J Bell returned to the room at 9.17 pm

3623 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE END OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR COMMEMORATIONS

Proposal: Members to consider an alternative menu option.

Resolved: The Members approved the afternoon tea menu option.

Proposed: Cllr N Eastick Seconded: Cllr B Lewsey 6-0-0

3624 POLICY DOCUMENT REVIEW

Proposal: Members to review and adopt the Whistleblowing Policy (no change)

Resolved: The Members reviewed and adopted the Whistleblowing Policy.

Proposed: Cllr A Simkins Seconded: Cllr S Davie 6-0-0

3625 PROPOSED PARKING AT WCRC

Proposal: Members to consider approving the use of the parking area outside the WCRC for the benefit of people working in the proposed relocated Winsham Shop and Post Office (The George), Office area of four places.

Resolved: The Members declined the request to allocate four parking places at the Winsham Community Resource Centre (WCRC) for the benefit of the people working in the proposed relocated Winsham Shop and Post Office upper offices.

Proposed: Cllr B Lewsey Seconded: Cllr N Eastick 5-0-1

3626 COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

Proposal: With reference to minute number 3309 from June 2017 Parish Council Meeting, Members to agree which councillor to contact Cllr John Higgs at Thorncombe Parish Council to discuss how they set up and run their community transport scheme.

Resolved: The Members agreed that Cllr A Simkins will contact Thorncombe Parish Council to discuss how they set up and run their community transport scheme at the present time.

Proposed: Cllr B Lewsey Seconded: Cllr N Eastick 6-0-0

3627 OUTSTANDING ITEMS UPDATE

Proposal: To receive updates, as required, on the following outstanding items:

- a) Action Plan Review – to be reviewed in the autumn 2018
- b) Land Registry of Parish Council's Land Assets
- c) Letter to SCC CEO regarding obstructed footpath CH30/7
- d) Assets of Community Value – School
- e) Bus Service meeting with Somerset County Council
- f) Networking Event - Chard Business Voice
- g) Cemetery Tidy Up – Will be undertaken on Saturday 4th August 2018.

Updates were received on the above items.

3628 ITEMS FOR REPORT

- a) Parish Assets:
Cemetery, Upper Rec/Lower Rec, Resource Centre, Bus Shelter, War Memorial, Seating, Signage and Bins
- b) Web Sites, Welcome Pack
- c) Public Rights of Way
- d) Grass Cutting Report
- e) Highways and Bus Services
- f) Reports from member representatives on outside bodies:
Jubilee Hall
Winsham Playing Fields/Sports and Social Club
Winsham Community Resource Centre
- g) Clerk's report and correspondence – see Agenda Notes.
Correspondence has been received from Wessex Water regarding a new sewer that is to be installed in the verge along Pooles Lane, near to the Cemetery.
The Clerk confirmed that another date had been fixed for a by-election – 5th September 2018, where nominations should be received at SSDC by Wednesday 8th August.
- h) Parish Council Newsletter
- i) Councillor Surgeries – updated earlier.
- j) Training

3629 QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN

None received.

3630 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Proposal: Members to resolve that Under Standing Orders 3d and 10xi the 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.

Resolved: The Members resolved that under Standing Orders 3d and 10xi 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 were instructed to withdraw.

Proposed: Cllr J Bell Seconded: Cllr S Davie 6-0-0

3631 SOMERSET COUNTY COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S AWARDS FOR SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

Proposal: To consider putting a name forward for the Award.

Resolved: The Members agreed on a name to put forward for the Somerset County Council Chairman's Awards for Service to the Community.

Proposed: Cllr S Davie Seconded: Cllr J Bell 6-0-0

3632 DAMAGE TO LOWER RECREATION GROUND RETAINING WALL ON WESTERN WAY

Proposal: Members to consider quotations received for the repair of the retaining wall on Western Way.

Resolved: The Members approved a quotation from S Morgan (from the two received) for the repair of the retaining wall on Western Way.

Proposed: Cllr N Eastick Seconded: Cllr J Bell 4-1-1

3633 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – WEDNESDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2018

The Meeting closed at 10.09 pm

Signed: Chairman Date: 5th September 2018