



WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Council held at the Neighbourhood Resource Centre on Thursday 20 October 2011 at 7.30 pm.

Present:

D Fletcher (Chairman), I North (Vice-Chairman), S Edmonds, M Key, P Perry, and K Smith.

Also present:

S Taylor (Clerk), Joginder Baines, Sarbjit Baines and Lee Hartley.

Apologies:

Apologies were received from M Fletcher, J Muir, R Patel, P Rose and J Scotland.

MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr Hartley raised concerns about the traffic situation in Alexandra Road where he lives. The problem was mainly one of double parking at school drop-off and pick-up times. He was opposed to a one way system that had been suggested by the County Council Highways Authority as it would have far reaching effects beyond school times. He was in favour of the double yellow lines on the school side being extended whilst he accepted that there would still be a problem of enforcement.

The Chairman pointed out that as far as he was aware no decision had been made and in any event any change would need to be properly advertised and would require the wider support of local residents. However, it was appreciated that a problem still exists that needs to be addressed by the Highway Authority.

Mrs J Baines reported to members that she had recently purchased the former St Mark's Hall and converted it for use as a day centre for people with learning difficulties. She had spoken to the County Council about making full use of the facilities in what she considered to be a deprived area, and had referred to the Parish Council. She considered that the building could be put to use in the community giving the example of the unemployed being able to learn new skills.

The Chairman thanked her for making the Parish Council aware of the facilities, although it was difficult to see how it could assist in the short term bearing in mind the cuts in funding for such projects. It was agreed that members would visit the building before the next meeting on 24 November at 6.45 pm to see for themselves what possibilities the facilities offered in addition to those already provided by the Neighbourhood Resource Centre.

PART I

152/11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

153/11 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meetings held on 22 September 2011 were approved and signed as a correct record.

154/11 **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk reported details of the following correspondence:

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| a) RHS | Britain in Bloom |
| b) SPCA | Training Events and AGM – 5 November 2011 |
| c) Streetscape | Play Equipment |
| d) NALC | Guide on How to Respond to Planning Applications |

155/11 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Clerk reported on the following:

- Applications that have been decided under delegated powers;
- Applications for which time to respond has now passed;
- Applications to which we can respond.

156/11 **MANAGEMENT AND RUNNING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE**

The Chairman of the Strategic Partnership Group/Advisory Committee reported that with regard to future funding the proposals to set up a Social Enterprise were moving at a pace. This would involve the 5 key partners contributing a maximum of £7,500 each towards the running costs. These partners would be Trent & Dove, SCC, ESBC and the PCT (or its successor) in addition to the Parish Council. These main stakeholders would put forward trustees who would be responsible for the running of the Centre as well as seeking other sources of funding.

It was noted that the Parish Council currently contributes some £3000 towards the running of the centre and therefore the members considered that an increase in this would be acceptable in principle.

157/11 **PARISH PLAN**

With regard to developing the new Parish Plan it was suggested that there could be a door-to-door consultation exercise together with the questionnaire to go in the next copy of the newsletter.

158/11 **PARISH FAYRE**

Saturday 2nd June 2012 was suggested for the date of next year's Parish Fayre to tie in with the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Weekend and bank holiday on Monday 4th June 2012.

159/11 **PARISH DESIGN STATEMENT**

The Chairman pointed out that there was a pot of money being provided by Central Government which Parish Councils can apply for and that the Borough Council would assess the application so that it would stand a better chance.

It was proposed to draw up a statement, containing amongst other things, photographs of streets, buildings of historic interest and open spaces. It was suggested that there could be a

statement that any new development should be in keeping with the existing character of the area.

Resolved:

That the Parish Council make a bid for funding to support the Parish Design Statement.

160/11 **NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE**

Items for the next edition of the newsletter were required by the 11 November 2011 if it is to be delivered before December 2011. These should include the Parish Plan Questionnaire, the Parish Fayre photographs/report, Christmas events, the results of the Winhill in Bloom competition/photographs and possibly a member profile and reference to the Parish Design Statement.

161/11 **REVIEW OF PLANTING/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**

It was noted that the winter planting had recently been undertaken.

162/11 **PARISH YOUTH COUNCIL**

The Chairman reported on the meeting that had taken place on Tuesday 11 October at 2.00 pm at Winhill Youth Club. This had included presentations by Burton Canoe Club, the Borough Council's Open Space Development Officer, the Neighbourhood Working Co-ordinator and the Police. Amongst the topics discussed were the plans for a skateboard park on the Washlands, the consultation exercise for the new play area on Newton Road Recreation Ground and the PYC's aspiration to design and install play equipment on Wheatley Lane Recreation Ground.

163/11 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Members were advised of the financial position as at the end October 2011.

164/11 **GRANTS TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

There were no new applications received for grant aid.

165/11 **REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID**

		£	cheque no	minute no
Byrkley Park	Winhill in Bloom Prizes	100.00	542	191/10
Busy Fingers	Winhill in Bloom Prize	50.00	543	191/10
Clerk	Expenses & Stationary	163.21	544	191/10
Trent & Dove	Lone-worker Alarm	31.21	545	191/10
ESBC	October 2011 Salaries& NI	1254.46	546	191/10
Trent & Dove	Lengthsman's SLA 2 nd Qtr	4929.87	547	191/10
Winhill Parish FC	Grant	1000.00	548	191/10
Winhill Village Primary School	Grant	500.00	549	191/10

Resolved:

That payment of the above accounts is confirmed.

166/11 **PACT MEETING REPORT**

It was reported that local residents had experienced problems of anti-social behaviour on the Wheatley Lane Recreation Ground. A meeting had taken place between the Borough Council and the new chief inspector with a pilot scheme being suggested where minors would be escorted back to their parents rather than just being moved on.

Members considered that it was important that this problem was resolved quickly in light of the PYC's initiative to improve the play facilities at Wheatley Lane.

167/11 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

The County Councillor for Winshill was not present at the meeting.

168/11 **BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Councillors D Fletcher and North were now in the Shadow Cabinet and Councillor Fletcher was on a working group looking at the interpretation of Standing Orders.

169/11 **CLERK AND MEMBERS' REPORTS**

There were no matters to report.

170/11 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL**

Resolved:

That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Thursday 24 November 2011 at 7.30 pm at The Neighbourhood Resource Centre.

The meeting finished at 21.00 hours.

Chairman

PART II

There were no matters of a confidential nature to discuss.