



WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Council held at the Neighbourhood Resource Centre on Thursday 24 October 2013 at 7.30 pm.

Present:

I North (Chairman), D Fletcher, M Fletcher, H Gaynor, J Muir, R Patel, P Perry, and E Starmer.

Also present:

S Taylor (Clerk), K Smith (Centre Co-ordinator) C Wileman (County Councillor), and A Mason (ESBC).

Apologies:

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors J Scotland due to illness and P Rose following a recent accident.

MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

PART I

185/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors D Fletcher and M Fletcher declared an interest with respect to the grant application made from Shout Out (Minute No. 198/13).

186/13 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 26 September 2013 were agreed and signed as correct records of events.

187 /13 CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported that the following correspondence had been received:

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| a) ESBC | Wheatley Lane Allotments |
| b) ESBC | Advertisement of the Casual Vacancy on the Parish Council |
| c) ESBC | Pre-Submission Local Plan Consultation |
| e) Bearwood Hill AA | Grant Aid Enquiry |
| f) Grant Thornton | Annual Audit for year ending 31 March 2013 |

188/13 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.

189/13 **NEIGHBOURHOOD PRIORITIES**

Mr Mason explained the present situation regarding the monies available from the Borough's Neighbourhood Development Fund. The bids made to-date by the Parish were for play equipment at Wheatley Lane and the William Coltman Memorial Peace Wood at Mill Hill Lane Park. The bid for the Peace Wood needed to be supported by the Borough Councillors for Winshill and submitted to the Panel by 12 November 2013.

The total cost of the project was £10,000 for 50 trees and poppies, with the likelihood of further funding from the National Forest plus future lottery funding for the information boards. In addition the £1,700 fees for the landscape architect would need to be provided up front.

Resolved:

That the Parish Council pay the landscape architect's fees of £1,700 for the Memorial Peace Wood on the understanding that the Borough Council reimburse the Parish £700 of this as and when the scheme is approved.

190/13 **MANAGEMENT AND RUNNING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE**

The Co-ordinator reported that the final sum raised at the Macmillan coffee morning was £650. The Centre was fairly busy with the various groups and events and it was suggested that a Christmas party could be organised for local children.

Reference was made to the new shed being delivered, the "Pride of Winshill" wall in reception, and the nearby "teen lights" being turned off as a result of late night anti-social behaviour.

Resolved:

- That the "teen lights be switched on again, but with a cut off time of 9.00pm.
- That a bingo machine be purchased for the Centre for a sum of up to £100.00.

191/13 **PARISH PLAN**

There had been no recent meeting of the Parish Plan Committee.

192/13 **PARISH FAYRE**

There was no further progress to report.

193/13 **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

A further meeting with Corrine O'Hare of the Borough Council was planned for 2 December 2013.

194/13 **NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE**

Articles for the next newsletter to include the Parish Fayre, grants, the proposed Peace Wood, Winshill Bloomers, grants and an article from Winshill Allotment Association. The deadline for the articles to be received being the end of October.

195/13 **REVIEW OF PLANTING/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**

It was reported that a meeting had been arranged for 2 November 2013 to talk about the plans for 2014. It was noted that Trent & Dove had given some recycled poles and hanging baskets to the Parish.

Councillor Starmer told the meeting that his employer, Veolia Environmental Services, was prepared to provide half a day free of charge towards charitable work.

Reference was also made to St Mark’s Church looking to convert part of its car park to a grassed area.

196/13 **PARISH YOUTH COUNCIL**

Arrangement for the election of a new council had been put back to early 2014 following the need for further consultation with the schools.

197/13 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Members were presented with the accounts for October 2013 which were on target with the budget.

Members were informed that the annual external audit for the year ending 31 March 2013 had been completed, the accounts found in order, and signed off by Grant Thornton.

198/13 **GRANTS TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS**

The application for a grant of £480 from Shout Out to provide 12 training sessions for vulnerable people with learning difficulties was discussed.

Resolved:

That a grant of £480 be approved for Shout Out to provide 12 training sessions for vulnerable people with learning difficulties was discussed.

199/13 **REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID**

		£	cheque no	minute no
T&D	Lengthsman’s SLA VAT	5089.34	701	204/12
Time Consortium	Engraving Shields	24.29	702	204/12
B&Q	Paint for Fence – Bearwood Hill	71.93	703	132/13
T&D	Lengthsman’s SLA July-Sept. 13	5316.28	704	204/12
ESBC	Sept. Salaries	2245.37	705	204.12

Resolved:

That payment of the above accounts is confirmed.

200/13 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR’S REPORT**

The County Councillor reported on a request from residents of Little Empire Road for the road to be closed. Concern was expressed about the condition of the road surface on Burton Bridge and the BT manhole which keeps collapsing on the footpath.

201/13 **BOROUGH COUNCILLOR’S REPORT**

There was nothing further to report.

202/13 **CLERK AND MEMBERS' REPORTS**

It was agreed that the Parish Council should purchase a wreath to place on the war memorial in Winshill as part of the Remembrance Day service. Councillor Muir agreed to organise this. It was agreed that the Emergency Plan be put on the next meeting's agenda.

203/13 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

Resolved:

That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on 28 November 2013 at 7.30 pm at The Neighbourhood Resource Centre.

The meeting finished at 9.30pm.

PART II

There were no matters of a confidential nature to discuss.

Chairman