



WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Council held remotely by Zoom at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 21st October 2020.

Present:

Councillors S Bullock, *D Fletcher, M Fletcher, *M Metcalfe, G Lomas, K Smith, R Faulkner, Rev P Boshier .and C Wileman (also a County Councillor).

* = also a Borough Councillor.

Also present:

S Taylor (Clerk).

Apologies:

There were apologies from Councillor Lawrence.

MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no matters raised.

PART I

129/20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors D Fletcher, M Fletcher and Smith declared an interest regarding the NRC Charity.

130/20 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 16th September 2020 were agreed and signed as a correct record of events.

131/20 CORRESPONDENCE

The residents of Newton Leys had written to the Parish Council requesting support in petitioning for a solution to the flooding to property that had occurred earlier in the year from the Dale Brook following Storm Dennis.

The County Councillor advised that the County Council would be carrying out an investigation, albeit on a priority basis in view of the number of such flood locations in the County due to the severity of the storm. It was suggested that a site meeting of County, Borough and Parish Council representatives be arranged as well as contacting those affected via a separate remote meeting.

132/20 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members considered and raised no objections to the following planning applications:

- P/2020/00861 - Erection of a single/two storey side/rear extension at 63 Berry Hedge Lane
- P/2020/00958 – Remove the crown of Acacia Tree at 209 Newton Road
- P/2020/00972 – External alterations to windows and doors at Burton Canoe Club
- P/2020/00977 – Crown lifting & thinning of trees at 4 Alexander Court, Alexander Road
- P/2020/00995 – Raising ridge height to install additional storey and balcony at 8 Newton Road
- P/2020/01033 - Erection of a single storey rear extension at 29 Bearwood Hill

133/20 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

The County Councillor referred to Covid 19 where Staffordshire was still in the Tier 1 level of restrictions but with the figures still rising. It was noted that East Staffordshire, especially Winshill and Stapenhill, was still doing reasonably well thanks to the action of the residents. The funding was now available from the County Council with regards to the information leaflets giving advice on the various organisations offering help during the impending second wave of the pandemic.

He advised that the surface dressing of Sales Lane had recently been completed.

134/20 **BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

It was reported that a letter was to go out from the Leader of the Council reminding residents of the need for social distancing, washing hands, etc.

135/20 **TRENT WASHLANDS LANDSCAPE VISION & TOWN CENTRE REGENERATION.**

The Chairman informed members of the consultation exercise results regarding the level of support for the list of possible projects which could be funded by the government's Town Deal Initiative. The projects receiving most support related to the Washlands and the redevelopment of the town centre although it was surprising that there was no support for relocating the Library together with other services in the current Market Hall building.

136/20 **NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE COORDINATOR'S REPORT**

The new windows and doors to the Centre had been fitted with only the security system remaining to be completed.

The CAB were still operating remotely but hoped to return to the Centre.

Lottery funding was available to the Centre Charity to help with providing food during half term and Christmas.

137/20 **REVIEW OF PLANTING/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**

The Copper Beech tree had been ordered for the Peace Wood to commemorate those who had died during Covid 19 and not been allowed a proper funeral. This would be sited to the west of the footpath beyond the wildflowers. The Borough Council had also agreed to replace an Acer and Silver Birch that had died.

The tubs had been planted up for the winter by Winshill Bloomers with the help of Councillor Bullock in Newton Road and Councillor Lomas around Bretby Lane.

It was reported that some 2-3 hundred whips were available to possibly plant between Mill Hill Park and Greenway and that the grassed area in Bretby Lane adjacent Moat Bank belonging to the Highway Authority had approval to be planted up with wildflowers.

138/20 **ENGAGING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE**

Burton Albion Community Trust were back but could only accommodate those children who had booked in advance.

“Trick or treat” was to be organised for children outside the Centre.

139/20 **NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE/FACEBOOK**

It was reported that some of the noticeboards were being shaken causing the magnets holding the notices in place to fall off. It was agreed to investigate a better way of securing these.

140/20 **PARISH PLAN**

It was agreed that the working group meet by Zoom early in November in view of the new challenges now facing residents.

141/20 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Members reviewed and agreed the accounts for the year up to 21st October 2020.

142/20 **APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING**

There were no applications received.

143/20 **REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID**

		£	cheque no	minute no
ESBC	July Salaries Recharge	1,148.02	1284	211/19
Municipal Zurich	Annual Insurance	272.83	1285	211/19
Clerk	July – Sept Office Costs	191.32	1286	211/19
JRB Enterprise	Poop Scoop Bags	302.40	1287	211/19
ESBC	Aug. Salaries Recharge	1,148.02	1288	211/19
Bearwood Hill A.A.	Annual Management Grant	330.00	1289	125/20
Hardy Signs	Replacement Sign	160.32	1290	211/19

Resolved:

That payments of the above accounts are confirmed.

144/20 **CLERK AND MEMBERS' REPORTS**

Councillor Lomas updated members on the success of the speed indicator signs over the past 12 months, with most vehicles found to observe the speed limit in Newton Road.

Councillor Boshier informed members that those laying wreaths on Remembrance Sunday would be accommodated on the south side of the church whilst observing social distancing.

145/20 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

Resolved:

That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Wednesday 18th November 2020 at 7.30 pm.

PART II

MATTERS OF A CONFIDENTIAL NATURE

There were no matters of a confidential nature to discuss.

The meeting finished at 8.40 pm.

Chairman