



## WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Council held at the Neighbourhood Resource Centre 7.30 pm on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

### **Present:**

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

\* = also a Borough Councillor.

### **Also present:**

S Taylor (Clerk).

### **Apologies:**

There were apologies from Councillors Lomas and Lawrence.

### **MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no members of the public present.

### **PART I**

#### 114/21 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

#### 115/21 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021 were agreed and signed as a correct record of events.

#### 116/21 **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was nothing significant to report.

#### 117/21 **FEEDBACK ON RECENT CRIME/ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

There had been a further monthly update although members considered that the statistics were somewhat meaningless and expressed concern that the system in Winshill was failing. It was reported that following the reports of anti-social behaviour relating to The Paddocks development off Newton Road in South Derbyshire that the problem had been resolved by the Derbyshire Police Force.

## 118/21 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Members considered the following applications:

- P/2021/00882 – Erection of a part single storey/ part two storey rear extension at 48 Mill Hill Lane
- P/2021/00798 – Demolition of Fairfields 89A Bearwood Hill & erection of 16 over 55s bungalows
- P/2021/00877 – Trim back lower branches of Sycamore/upper branches of Elm at 217A Ashby Rd

Members raised no objections to any of the above but asked that regarding P/2021/00798 that the developer considers a more sustainable approach:

The proposal portrays itself as a green and eco development with reference to Bat and Bird boxes, keeping trees, planting bee friendly natives and there is much talk about use of materials to allow for thermal mass of buildings etc. Whilst this is to be applauded it could, we believe, go further.

- the use of concrete block paving for parking increases the hard standing footprint and water run off - a more porous and sustainable alternative could be used.
- thermal mass buildings often need a secondary heat source, what is this? Could air source and ground source heat pumps put these buildings at the leading edge of sustainable design. (There should be no gas boilers)
- If there is communal street lighting can this be made solar to be sustainable.
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Also, there is no mention of how they will protect the houses that border this opening into the site. Yellow lines were mentioned to stop parking, there perhaps should be wide pavements to restrict access and help cut car noise passing the houses at the entrance.

## 119/21 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

The County Council's Flood Team had completed the Section 19 report on the recent flooding at Newton Leys and were now considering the possible solutions and sources of funding in conjunction with Derbyshire County Council. The road through Brizlincote Valley will be closed from 26<sup>th</sup> July until 31<sup>st</sup> August due to a junction improvement scheme at the bottom of Violet Way.

## 120/21 **BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

It was noted that some volleyball posts had been erected on Newton Road Recreation Ground.

## 121/21 **TOWN CENTRE REGENERATION FUND.**

The County Councillor reported that following the Government's request that plans to be worked up further, that there would be an 8-week consultation period starting on the 19<sup>th</sup> July regarding the proposed library move to the Market Hall. The Chairman reported that there was a duty on the Borough Council to undertake a further wider consultation.

## 122/21 **NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE**

The Administrator asked the Clerk to organise the road closure for Canterbury Road on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2021 in respect of the Community Fayre.

The Centre was helping support those residents who still needed to get signed up to the EU Settlement Scheme.

Mobile Covid testing was taking place on Fridays with kits available to take home.

123/21 **REVIEW OF PLANTING/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**

A response was still awaited from the bus company's insurers regarding the costs of repairing the damaged flowerbed off Newton Road. Problems were still being experienced with the Borough Council's contractor Idverde, particularly their failure to sew the wildflowers in the verge of Vancouver Drive opposite Tower View School.

All the planting was now complete ready for the Heart of England in Bloom portfolio to be submitted on 30<sup>th</sup> July, whilst preparations are in hand for the judges visit for the "in your neighbourhood" competition to the Neighbourhood Resource Centre, Peace Wood, and Wyndham Crescent on 29<sup>th</sup> July.

124/21 **ENGAGING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE**

There was a need for more volunteers to help with the youth clubs which were proving to be very popular again. Burton Albion Community Trust were helping with the timetable for the summer activities.

The youth club was currently meeting between 3pm and 5pm with as many activities as possible on the park. It was also proposed that the summer holiday activities including food be over a period of four hours each day, four days a week for 4 weeks. This would be open to all children and not be means tested.

125/21 **WEBSITE/FACEBOOK**

There was nothing new to report.

126/21 **PARISH PLAN**

The members of the working group had met to review the Survey Monkey summary and had agreed come back with ideas/actions at the September meeting. Councillor Wileman agreed to collate and distribute the survey summary.

127/21 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Members reviewed and agreed the accounts for the year up to 14<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

128/21 **APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING**

There were no applications received.

129/21 **REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID**

		£	cheque no	minute no
C Stewart	Internal Audit	200.00	1336	178/20
A & M Gardening	Additional Contract Works	173.54	1337	178/20
A & M Gardening	Grounds Maint. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Instalment	3,000.00	1338	178/20
Information Comm.	Annual Payment	40.00	1339	178/20
ESBC	June Salary Costs	1,147.33	1440	178/20
Clerk	1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr. Office Costs/Equipment	209.88	1441	178/20

**Resolved:**

That payment of the above account is confirmed.

130/21 **CLERK AND MEMBERS' REPORTS**

Councillor Bullock raised several issues including the dead tree on the corner of Stapenhill Road and Ashby Road; overhanging hedges on Bearwood Hill Road and Newton Road, and the condition of the flower bed at the end of Newton Road. It was also reported that the footpath from Kinver Road up towards the Peace Wood was becoming overgrown. The County Councillor and Chairman agreed to investigate these issues.

131 /21 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

**Resolved:**

That the next Meeting of the Parish Council be held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2021 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