



WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Council held at the Neighbourhood Resource Centre 7.30 pm on Wednesday 16th June 2021.

Present:

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

* = also a Borough Councillor.

Also present:

S Taylor (Clerk).

Apologies:

There were no apologies.

MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

PART I

96/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

97/21 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 19th May 2021 were agreed and signed as a correct record of events.

98/21 CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Kate West Overgrown trees to the rear of Longford Close and Tower Road
- b) Olga Trifoncova Footballers playing on Newton Road tennis courts

Members considered that both above were matters that concerned the Borough Council's functions not the Parish Council's and the residents were therefore advised to contact ESBC.

99/21 FEEDBACK ON RECENT CRIME/ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

There had been a further monthly update from the police with nothing of any significance new to report, however, members were concerned about reports of anti-social behaviour relating to The Paddocks development off Newton Road in South Derbyshire.

100/21 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Members considered the following applications:

P/2021/00679 – Reduction in height of Hawthorne boundary hedge to rear of 43 & 47 Tower Rd

P/2021/00710 – Single storey side extension at 6 Tower Road

P/2021/00729 – Erection of a first-floor extension over garage at 28 Gainsborough Way

Members raised no objections to any of the above.

101/21 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

The County Councillor reported on the problem of recent work to clear the gulleys being hampered by parked cars.

There was no further progress on the connection from the gully on Newton Road near the park entrance, which requires excavating and repairing prior to the entrance being resurfaced.

Some parts of Bearwood Hill Road (near the Swan Junction), Bretby Lane, Melbourne Avenue and Beaufort Road (near Ashby Road junction) will require reconstructing at some point in the not-too-distant future.

The problems of grass growing in the gutters and on footpaths is likely to be dealt with by weedkilling in August/September.

102/21 **BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

There was nothing new to report.

103/21 **TOWN CENTRE REGENERATION FUND.**

There was nothing new to report following the Government's request that plans to be worked up further with meaningful consultation. The Chairman reported that he had recently visited the Library in Lichfield that had been quite effectively relocated in an old church building. The County Councillor considered moving the Library to the Market Hall should only be considered as a last resort as things stand at present.

104/21 **NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE**

The Administrator reported that the Heath Visitors were now back along with Slimming World, Shout Out, CAB, Karate Club, and the Coffee Mornings.

It was agreed to investigate holding a Parish Fayre when circumstances allow.

Resolved:

That a budget of £2,000 towards the cost of organising the Parish Fayre be approved from within the Parish Plan Budget.

105/21 **REVIEW OF PLANTING/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**

It was reported that 34 hanging baskets had been put up and the tubs are also being planted up. The community garden to the rear of the Centre including the vegetable garden has also been planted with help from Winshill Together and volunteers. Spare plug plants have been donated to Epworth House and Tower View School with further plants still available.

Reference was made to the lack of mowing problems with the Borough Council's grounds

maintenance contractor, Idverde, at Newton Road and the Peace Wood. It was noted that they claimed to be short of staff with the contract apparently coming to an end this year.

106/21 **ENGAGING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE**

There had been some 40 -50 young children (8-11 years) at recent youth clubs organised with Burton Albion Community Trust. It was intended that opening up for the older children be considered in the next fortnight.

107/21 **NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE/FACEBOOK**

There was a lot of interest in the Winshill in Bloom Facebook Page at present.

108/21 **PARISH PLAN**

The survey responses have been collated on a spread sheet using the facilities provided by Survey Monkey. The members of the working group agreed to meet at 6.30 pm on 14th July to come up with an initial draft of suggestions/actions as soon as possible.

109/21 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Members reviewed and agreed the accounts for the year up to June 2021.

110/21 **APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING**

There were no applications received.

111/21 **REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID**

		£	cheque no	minute no
Planters	Plants	424.47	1329	178/20
WNRC Charity	Locks/Keys etc.	454.78	1330	178/20
Tower View School	Grant	900.00	1331	92/21
ESBC	April 2021 Salary Charges	1,147.37	1332	178/20
A & M Gardening	Newton Road Flower Bed	544.00	1333	178/20
ESBC	May 2021 Salary Charges	1,147.37	1334	178/20
Hardy Signs	New Information Boards	175.00	1335	178/20

Resolved:

That payment of the above account is confirmed.

112/21 **CLERK AND MEMBERS' REPORTS**

Members complimented the work of Winshill Allotment Association following their recent visit to Wheatley Lane. Members were also impressed with the work of Circularity Contact with young people from within the community.

Councillor Lomas reported on the theft of plants from the planters on Ashby Road and Councillor Boshier reported that the war graves plaque had been removed from the church but has since been recovered.

113/21 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

Resolved:

That the next Meeting of the Parish Council be held on Wednesday 14th July 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 8.50 pm.

Chairman