



WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Council held at the Neighbourhood Resource Centre 7.30 pm on Wednesday 15th March 2023.

Present:

Councillors J Batten, S Bullock, D Fletcher*, M Fletcher, Metcalfe*, Smith and C Wileman (also the County Councillor). *also a Borough Councillor.

Also present:

S Taylor (Clerk).

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Councillors Boshier, Faulkner, Lawrence and Lomas.

MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

PART I

39/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors D Fletcher, M Fletcher and Smith declared an interest regarding the NRC Charity and Councillor Batten regarding Winshill Allotment Association.

40/23 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 15th February 2023 were agreed and signed as a correct record of events.

41/23 CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk had received information and nomination packs regarding the Local Elections.

42/23 FEEDBACK ON RECENT CRIME/ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Members considered the recent police update.

43/23 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members raised no objections to the following application:

P/2023/00172 – Erection of a single storey extension at 31 Newton Road

44/23 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

The County Councillor advised that funding of £200,000 had been approved for reconstructing the roundabout at the Ashby Road/Beaufort Road junction. Also approved were funds for road repairs at the Swan Junction and the Melbourne Avenue/Breby Lane area.

45/23 **BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

It was noted that there would be Borough Council Elections in May.
Electric vehicle charging points were to be installed in the Central Area car park.

46/23 **THE COST-OF-LIVING CRISIS**

Trent & Dove had set up a "community fridge" at 181 Hawfield Lane aided by Farm Fresh Revolution replicating what the Neighbourhood Community Centre is doing, albeit operating alternate weeks between Winshill and Stapenhill.

47/23 **TOWN CENTRE REGENERATION/TRANSFORMING THE TRENT VALLEY**

The contractors A & M had started to clear the brambles to improve the riverbank and the woodland areas in Newton Road Recreation Ground. The scheme had been publicised on Facebook. There was a wider discussion about publicity with it being agreed that the Parish Council needs to be more pro-active in how it publicises its work within the community.

48/23 **NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE**

The Centre Manager reported on events at the Centre, in particular an exhibition by young people at the Brewhouse on people with memories of the riverbank.

49/23 **REVIEW OF PLANTING/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**

A & M Gardening Services have started their contract work again. Councillor M Fletcher reminded Members of the RHS spring seminar organised for the following day. Newton Road Park has been entered this year in the Parks and Gardens category, to be judged on 28 June.

50/23 **ENGAGING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE**

The youth club was now attracting a lot more of the older children.

51/23 **WEBSITE/FACEBOOK**

The need for a biannual parish newsletter was discussed with the Chairman asking for contributory articles with a view to producing a June 2023 edition.

52/23 **PARISH PLAN**

Following a recent parish plan meeting 10 action areas for the next 12 months had been agreed:

1. Publish a Parish Newsletter
2. Organise community action days – possibly starting with the Dale Brook area?
3. Banners to better publicise the Parish Fayre
4. Acquire small trees for residents to take home and plant
5. Discuss net-zero initiative for the Community Centre
6. Look into electric vehicle charging points

7. Possibility of improving area of Nelson 's Stores and former DIY shop
8. Review the Neighbourhood Plan
9. Installation of outdoor gym equipment on Newton Road Park
10. Bringing sports clubs together to reach out to the community

53/23 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Members reviewed and agreed the Accounts on 15th March 2023.

54/23 **APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING**

Members considered a request for the annual management grant from Winhill Allotment Association.

Resolved:

That an annual management grant of £1200 be awarded to Winhill Allotment Association, based on the number of plots in separate ownership.

55/23 **REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID**

		£	cheque no	minute no
ESBC	Dec'22 Salary Costs .	1144.43	1450	219/21
M Fletcher	H of England Entrance Fees etc.	101.00	1451	219/21
Winhill Guides	Grant	500.00	1458	35/23
St Mark's Mums	Grant	159.00	1553	35/23
ESBC	Jan'23 Salary Costs .	1144.43	1454	219/21

Resolved:

That payment of the above accounts is confirmed.

56/23 **CLERK AND MEMBERS' REPORTS**

Concerns were again raised regarding a multiple dog walker on the park not clearing up their poop. This matter had been referred to the Borough Council.

57/23 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

Resolved:

That the next Meeting of the Parish Council be held on Wednesday 19th April 2023 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 9.30 pm.

Chairman