



WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Council held at the Neighbourhood Resource Centre 7.30 pm on Wednesday 19th April 2023.

Present:

Councillors J Batten, Rev. P Boshier, S Bullock, D Fletcher*, M Fletcher, Lomas, Metcalfe*, C Wileman (also the County Councillor). *also a Borough Councillor.

Also present:

S Taylor (Clerk).

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Councillors Faulkner, Lawrence and Smith.

MATTERS RAISED IN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

PART I

58/23 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

59/23 **MINUTES**

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

60/23 **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk reported on the forthcoming Parish Council Elections.

61/23 **FEEDBACK ON RECENT CRIME/ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

Members considered the recent police update, with a reported 18% increase in local crime mainly due to theft from vehicles and sexual offences. Anti-social behaviour was still a problem around the public open spaces and Buckingham Court.

62/23 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Members raised no objections to the following application:

P/2023/00352 – Change of use of residential dwelling to Childrens' Home at 14A Tower Road

63/23 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

The County Councillor advised that work to repair the vehicle damage to the walls of Burton Bridge will be between 2nd and 10th May with a lane closure from 9am until 6 pm. The drains would be cleaned out at the same time. There is likely to be a more substantial roundabout at the Ashby Road/Beaufort Road junction meaning the project will take a little longer to design. There was a brief discussion as to whether improvement works at the Swan Junction should take priority over road reconstruction at the Melbourne Avenue/Bretby Lane area. The County Councillor noted the concerns raised regarding parking on the Ashby Road/Bretby Lane junction outside the new nursing home and agreed that the Highway Authority write to them accordingly.

64/23 **BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

There was nothing new to report.

65/23 **THE COST-OF-LIVING CRISIS**

In the absence of the Centre Manager there was nothing further to report.

66/23 **TOWN CENTRE REGENERATION/TRANSFORMING THE TRENT VALLEY**

The plaques were ordered for the bug trunks, wildlife wood, and pond wood as well as the dog poo leaflets. The contractors A & M will start mulch mowing from May 1st and the Borough Council will clear out the grill to the pond. The laying of the matting has been delayed due to the wet weather. There is a lottery bid proposed for a community orchard.

67/23 **NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE**

There was no report from the Centre Manager.

68/23 **REVIEW OF PLANTING/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**

Councillor M Fletcher reported back to Members on the RHS spring seminar, with the main issue being a change in judging criteria.

The poppies in the Peace Wood have been repainted, a new noticeboard erected and the tubs on the gateway replaced.

The judging this year is likely to be on 5th July.

69/23 **ENGAGING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE**

The youth club was currently thriving.

70/23 **WEBSITE/FACEBOOK**

The articles for the June edition of the parish newsletter were discussed with the Chairman asking for any further articles to be submitted to him.

Councillor Batten asked whether the damaged and possibly superfluous noticeboard in Hawfield Lane could be repaired and installed in Dalebrook Road.

71//23 **PARISH PLAN**

There was nothing new to report.

72/23 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Members reviewed and agreed the Accounts for the Year Ending 31st March 2023.

73/23 **APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING**

There were no applications for funding.

74/23 **REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID**

		£	cheque no	minute no
ESBC	Feb'23 Salary Costs	1144.43	1455	219/21
S Bullock	Plants	40.00	1456	219/21
Winshill All. Ass.	Management	1200.00	1457	54/23
ESBC	Mar'23 Salary Costs	1144.43	1459	219/21
Clerk	Jan.- Mar' 23 Office Costs	103.96	1460	219/21

Resolved:

That payment of the above accounts is confirmed.

75/23 **CLERK AND MEMBERS' REPORTS**

The Chairman wished everybody well in the forthcoming Parish Council Election and the Members agreed to write and thank Councillor Faulkner, who was not standing, for the valuable contribution he had made to Winshill over recent years working as both a Borough and Parish Councillor.

76/23 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

Resolved:

That the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council be held on Wednesday 17th May 2023 at 7.30 pm. following on from the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.00pm.

PART II

MATTERS OF A CONFIDENTIAL NATURE

There were no matters of a confidential nature to discuss.

The meeting finished at 9.00 pm.

Chairman