



## **WINSHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Winshill Parish Council held at the Neighbourhood Resource Centre  
7.30 pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

### **Present:**

Councillors S Bullock, D Fletcher (also a Borough Councillor), M Fletcher, M Metcalfe, J Muir,  
I North and C Wileman (also a County Councillor).

### **Also present:**

S Taylor ( Clerk), M Cadmen and M Homer.

### **Apologies:**

Apologies were received from Councillors Batten, Boshier, Lawrence and Smith.

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

Mrs Cadmen raised various concerns including the condition of the pavement outside Elizabeth Court and the shops, the overgrown hedges in the Hollow and along the Jacobean Court footpath and the litter around Buckingham Court and the garages. The County Councillor agreed to address the Highway related issues and the Borough Councillor would look into the other matters raised.

### **PART I**

#### **152/24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest to be made.

#### **153/24 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2024 were agreed and signed as a correct record of events.

#### **154/24 CORRESPONDENCE**

There was nothing new to report.

#### **155/24 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Members considered and raised no objections to the following applications :

P/2024/00785 – Outline for erection of a dwelling at 1A Redmond Close

P/2024/00804 – Change of use of Chinese Takeaway to residential at 28 Church Hill Street

P/2024/00852 – Change of use of post office to part of main dwelling at 105 Bearwood Hill Road  
P/2024/00916 – Erection of a single storey side extension at 10 Moat Bank  
P/2024/00929 – Felling of a Pine Tree and a Holly Tree at 2 Highfields Drive

156/24 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

The County Councillor confirmed that the work to the Swan Junction was complete except for some final adjustments to the traffic signals.

157/24 **BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

The Chairman in his capacity as a Borough Councillor reported on the progress of the development work at the Bargates, which was looking good so far. This would include a hotel/restaurant and a water feature on the washlands.

158/24 **THE COST-OF-LIVING CRISIS**

There was nothing further to report.

159/24 **NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE CHARITY**

The Centre Manager was not present.

160/24 **TOWARDS A CARBON NEUTRAL WINSHILL**

The redesign of the solar panels was still ongoing prior to the required consultation period.

161/24 **THE ENVIRONMENT, PLANTING AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**

The Heart of England in Bloom results are as follows:

Urban Category: Winshill - Gold Award and Category Winners

Parks Category: Newton Road Park - Gold Award

Mill Hill Lane Park - Gold Award

It's Your Neighbourhood: Winshill Wildlife Woodland - Level 5 Outstanding

Wheatley Lane Allotments - Level 5 Outstanding

Winshill Resource Centre - Level 5 Outstanding

St Mark's Church - Level 3 Advancing

Little Empire Road - Level 4 Thriving

Holy Rosary School - Level 4 Thriving

Tower View School - Level 5 Outstanding

The results for Britain in Bloom are due to be announced on 22<sup>nd</sup> of October 2024.  
The hanging baskets had been taken down and the winter planting was in progress.

162/24 **ENGAGING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE**

There was nothing new to report.

163/24 **WEBSITE/FACEBOOK**

It was reported that recent feedback had been very positive particularly regarding Newton Road Park, which had also received an award from the Civic Society.

164//24 **PARISH PLAN**

The next Action Day is on September 25<sup>th</sup> 2024.

165/24 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Members reviewed and agreed the Accounts for Period ending 18<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

166/24 **APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING**

There were no new applications for funding.

167/24 **REPORT ON ACCOUNTS PAID**

		£	cheque no	minute no
NRC Charity	Parish Fayre/Buffer	2757.68	1560	215/23
Bullock	Newton Road Plants	44.43	1561	215/23
M Fletcher	Padlock/Hospitality	148.35	1562	215/23
NRC Charity	Parish Fayre	200.00	1563	215/23
ESBC	Aug'24 Salaries Charge	1144.43	1564	215/23
Zurich	Annual Insurance	272.83	1565	215/23

**Resolved:**

That payment of the above accounts is confirmed.

168/24 **CLERK AND MEMBERS' REPORTS**

Concerns were raised regarding the overgrown bank adjacent to the properties on the It was reported that the overgrowing bank at the Bretby Road roundabout that backs onto the properties. There also appears to be a recurrence of the problem with youths spray painting graffiti.

169/24 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

**Resolved:**

That the next Meeting of the Parish Council be held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 7.30 pm.

**PART II**

**MATTERS OF A CONFIDENTIAL NATURE**

There were no confidential matters to discuss.

The meeting finished at 8.20 pm.

Chairman