



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WINCHAM PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16 MAY 2018 at 7.30 PM AT WINCHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**Present:**

**Parish Councillors:** I Parr, R Casson, D May, N Morgan and C Powell.  
**Ward Cllrs** N Wright and L Gibbon  
**Parish Clerk** N Morris

No concerns were expressed during the public forum.

**A. Election of Chairman**

*Cllr Parr was proposed by Cllr May and seconded by Cllr Morgan and was duly unanimously elected as Chairman.*



**1. Election of Vice Chairman**

*Cllr Barker was proposed by Cllr Parr and seconded by Cllr May and was duly unanimously elected as Vice Chairman*

**2. Election of two Footpath Officers**

- i. Cllr Morgan was proposed by Cllr May and seconded by Cllr Casson and was duly unanimously elected as a Footpath Officer.*
- ii. Cllr Parr was proposed by Cllr May and seconded by Cllr Casson and was duly unanimously elected as a Footpath Officer.*

**3. Apologies for absence**

*Apologies had been received from Cllrs A Makepeace, D Pugh, K Barker, D Turner, G Birbeck and Unitary Cllr Hammond and PCSO Wiggins.*

*Resolved to accept the apologies*

*Proposed: Cllr May*

*Seconded: Cllr Casson*

**4. Declarations of any**

**(a) disclosable pecuniary interests or**

**(b) other disclosable interests**

**As are required under Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011.**

*No declarations were made.*

**5. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 25 April 2018**

*Resolved that the Minutes for the meeting held on Wednesday 19 April 2017 be confirmed as a correct record once an amendment had been made and initialled concerning the absence of Cllr Powell*

*Proposed Cllr May*

*Seconded Cllr Parr*

**6. Matters Arising from Previous Meeting.**

No reports were received.

**7. Mr Gary Olive was welcomed to the meeting to talk about the Whittle Plaque.**

*Mr Olive pointed out that the item was better described as a commemorative stone, rather than a plaque because it was heavy and had been built into the wall of a building. The meeting adjourned whilst Councillors and members of the public viewed the commemorative stone outside.*

*The stone recalled that the world's first jet engine, the F2, had been developed at the salt works in Wincham towards the end of World War II. The F2 had been used in naval ships and also the world's first and only jet seaplane.*

*The present keeper of the stone, Mr Wilfred Wheldon, is not its owner. It had been given to him on loan as an aid to fight plans to build an incinerator in the area. The owner of the commemorative stone is Mr Olive.*

*Mr Olive would be pleased to entrust the commemorative stone on extended loan to the village of Wincham, so long as it is retained within Wincham to be displayed to the public in the Community Centre within arrangements which Mr Olive has approved in advance. It must be displayed indoors. These conditions must be written and agreed by the Community Centre and Mr Olive.*

*Mr Olive also volunteered to make a model of the jet seaplane to go with the exhibition of the commemorative stone.*

- 8. Mr Wilfred Wheldon and Mrs Janet Boyd were welcomed to the meeting also to discuss the Whittle Stone and arrangements for it to be displayed in the Community Centre.**

- 9. Mr Michael Watts was welcomed to the meeting to discuss the proposed booklet to commemorate those killed in action from the village of Wincham**

*To mark the anniversary of the end of World War I, it is intended to distribute to every household in Wincham a copy of a booklet giving biographical details of the 23 servicemen from the village killed in action.*

*One thousand copies will be printed. Three quotations have been obtained, varying from £600-£1000, depending upon the number of pages and the quality of the paper. One commemorative copy of the booklet could be held on display in the Community Centre or in Lostock Gralam Church.*

*There could also be an electronic version of the booklet created which could be updated if there were further casualties.*

*Cllr May agreed to be involved with this project.*

## **10. A report was received from the Unitary Councillors**

- i. Northwich Transport Strategy has been published*
- ii. The primroses supplied by Cheshire West will be dropped at Cllr May's house*
- iii. A new announcement is expected soon on the Baron's Quay development*
- iv. A new Chief Executive of Cheshire West and Chester Council has been appointed*
- v. A rebranding of the online reporting scheme has been introduced called "Your Street"*
- vi. There has been constant criticism of the new opening times for the tip. Fly tipping has increased*

## **11. PLANNING**

### **A. APPLICATIONS**

- i. Site Address: Shiloh Earles Lane Wincham Northwich Cheshire CW9 6EA**

**Proposal: Replacement roof with higher pitch and addition of dormers to accommodate a loft extension**

**Reference Number: 18/01621/FUL**

*No comment made by Wincham Parish Council*

- ii. Site Address: 18 Shelley Avenue Wincham Northwich Cheshire CW9 6PH**

**Proposal: Single storey extension to rear**

**Reference Number: 18/01679/FUL**

*No comment made by Wincham Parish Council*

- iii. Site Address: Land To Rear of 60 Church Street Wincham Northwich**

**Proposal: Demolish greyhound training facility and build one single storey dwelling with**

**associated landscape works and driveway.**

Reference Number: **18/01674/FUL**

<http://pa.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/online-applications/>.

Comments by:

**31 May 2018**

*Resolved that Wincham Parish Council objects to this development on the following grounds:*

*a) It is greenbelt*

*b) The new development does not match the footprint of the existing building*

*Proposed Cllr May*

*Seconded Cllr Powell*

**12. There was nothing to report on CHAIN**

**13. The INOVYN ENTERPRISES new brine borehole drilling programme at Holford Brinefield, Hulme Hall Site was discussed**

*The existing source of brine is running low and so this is proposed in order to maintain a brine supply.*

*The clerk was asked to enquire whether other parishes have concerns.*

**14. A report was received from PCSO Wiggins.**

PCSO REPORT APRIL- MAY 2018

2 REPORTS OF SUSPICIOUS MALES IN THE AREA.

1 REPORT OF RTC WINCHAM LANE PICKMERE.

PASSING ATTENTION GIVEN TO AREA FOOT AND MOBILE.

REASSURANCE VISIT GIVEN TO SCHOOL.

PCSO SURGERY HELD.

ATTENDED LOCAL HOME – REASSURANCE VISIT.

REASURANCE VISIT TO LOCAL SHOP.

LOCAL PARK ATTENDED – NOTHING OF NOTE ALL SEEMS IN ORDER.

LOCAL EVENT ATTENDED – TABLE TOP SALE.

REASSURANCE TO SOME OF THE ELDERLY IN THE VILLAGE WHILST ON FOOT PATROL.

**15. Sub-Committees and Working Parties**

- i. No dates were known for sub-committees meetings to be held before the next Council Meeting.**
- ii. An update from the Grounds Maintenance Working Party was postponed.**
- iii. No updates were received from other Working Parties.**

**16. Linnards Lane and Chapel Street Inspections :**

25/04/2018

Cllr Barker

16/05/2018

Cllr Pugh

20/06/2018

Cllr Turner

Inspections sheets are required for each individual week. Inspection sheets may be scanned and sent to the clerk at [winchampc@talktalk.net](mailto:winchampc@talktalk.net) or sent by post to 22 Churchfields Bowdon WA14 3PJ.

**17. Discussion of the Memorial Garden and the new War Memorial had been held under Item 9.**

**18. Arrangements for the village picnic for 2018 to be held on 1 July 2018 were discussed.**

*The ice cream van may be in attendance and there may be a face painter who will make a small charge for each child. Cllr Parr volunteered to read from the Storyteller's chair. There will also be a craft table.*

**19. Arrangements for the Unsung Heroes event on 22 June 2018 were discussed.**

*The Community Centre are providing the room free of charge.  
At present, there are about 73 invitees on the list.*

**20. Arrangements for the Parish Council stall at the Summer Fayre at Wincham Community Primary School were discussed.**

*The clerk will order a banner 2ft x 6ft with the Parish Council logo.  
The Parish Council will run a competition for children for rules for the play area.*

**21. An application for a donation to the Wincham and Pickmere Old Friends was considered.**

*Resolved that Wincham Parish Council should provide £300 as a donation to Pickmere and Wincham Old Friends Club.*

*Proposed Cllr Casson*

*Seconded Cllr Morgan*

**22. Consideration was given to an approach by the Neighbourhood Watch.**

*Neighbourhood Watch did not attract much support previously. It was suggested that the Wincham Word and Facebook be used to test whether there is now more support. The clerk was asked to see if PCSO Wiggins would be prepared to become involved.*

**23. Consideration was given to the recommendations of the Personnel Committee in November including purchasing a laptop, filing cabinet and mobile telephone for the clerk for Wincham PC business and for Councillors to use a special parish council email.**

*A back-up drive for the clerk's laptop was to be discussed with Cllr Pugh.  
The clerk was asked to purchase and use a lockable filing cabinet for Parish Council work.  
Following professional advice, it was felt that a dedicated mobile telephone was not necessary.  
The clerk was asked to put a designated email and discussion of the website on the next agenda.*

**24. To receive a report on Village Communication.**

**i. To receive a report on the newsletter.**

*The newsletter has been printed. Cllr May was complimented on it. Some volunteer deliverers had commented on the weight of carrying multiple copies. Cllr May was requested to keep a note of the amount of time she spent on the newsletter and then the Parish Council would consider again the question of payment.*

**ii. To receive any changes or additions for the village website.**

*The clerk was asked to arrange for the meeting dates for the Parish Council to be displayed somewhere prominently on the website.*

**iii. To receive an update on the arts and performance around the Wincham area.**

*It was hoped that the village would be allocated one of three possible productions for the autumn.*

**25. Accounts:**

**i. The following payments were considered**

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| 1. Northwich Town Council for works on Linnards Lane Playingfield and Chapel Street; |         |         |          |
| Invoice 2765 dated 30.4.2018   | £245.00 |         |          |
| VAT  | 48.00   |         |          |
|  |         | £294.00 |          |
| 2. Northwich Town Council for remedial work on play equipment                        |         |         |          |
| Invoice 2766 dated 30.4.2018   | £705.56 |         |          |
| VAT  | 141.11  | £846.67 | £1140.67 |

3. Simon Roberts printing of Newsletter		£500.00
4. Reimbursement of Mrs Lawson for plants for Linnards Lane Playingfield		£44.86
5. Donation for Wincham and Pickmere Old Friends	*	£300.00
6. Clerk salary for May 2018 35 hours @ £10.72/hour	£375.20	
7. Clerk's backpay for April 2018	£3.85	£379.05

- i. **To authorise payments listed.**
- ii. *Resolved to settle the following accounts*

*Proposed: Cllr Morgan*

*Seconded: Cllr Casson*

*Insufficient Councillors with power to sign cheques were present and so the chequebook and partially-signed cheques were taken with a list of the invoices so that a non-present Councillor with signing power could complete the cheques and then post back the full chequebook.*

- iii. **Current Net Balances were noted**

Current Account as at 4.5.2018	£200.00
Business Reserve Account 1. as at 4.5.2018	£55,751.40
Business Reserve Account 2. as at 5.4.2018	£11,999.33
- iv. It was noted that the internal auditor had all the paperwork for consideration.
- v. A Financial Analysis of expenditure and the bank reconciliation as at 31.3.2018 were examined and noted.

## **26. Correspondence**

1. **Email concerning HS2.**
2. **Emails concerning litterbins in Wincham.**
3. **Emails concerning the proposed renovation of the Linnards Lane Playingfield**
4. **Emails concerning the airport.**
5. **Emails concerning the internal and external audit**

## **27. Any Other Business.**

- i. *The Wincham Family and Friends from the school had asked to be involved in the tree lighting at Christmas*
- ii. *Cllr May's daughter will run the Pizza Night for young people, but the event should be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting*
- iii. *Cllr May reported from her recent late night visit to Manchester Airport*
- iv. *The statutory election notice will be posted on noticeboards in Wincham prior to any new councillors being co-opted*
- v. *There have been several cases of heavy good wagons being parked on Chapel Street and causing an obstruction to traffic, The clerk was asked to inform PCSO Wiggins.*

**The meeting was declared closed at 9.54pm** .

1. **A possible banner against HS2.**
2. **Cutting back of hedges to improve road safety**

Naomi Morris  
8.6.2018