



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WINCHAM PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2018 at 7.30 PM AT WINCHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present:

Parish Councillors: K Barker, R Casson, G Birbeck and C Powell

Parish Clerk N Morris

No concerns were expressed during the public forum.
The meeting was chaired by the Vice Chairman, Cllr Barker.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Cllrs I Parr, A Makepeace, D May and N Morgan and Unitary Cllrs N Wright, Gibbon and Hammond and PCSO Wiggins

Resolved to accept the apologies and note the absences of Cllrs D Turner and N Brown

Proposed: Cllr Powell

Seconded: Cllr Birbeck

The resignation of S Hardman from the Parish Council was noted with regret.

2. 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 on the items on the agenda.

3. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 18 July 2018

Resolved that the Minutes for the meeting held on Wednesday 18 July 2018 be confirmed as a correct record

Proposed Cllr Birbeck

Seconded Cllr Powell

4. Matters Arising from Previous Meeting.

The Clerk reported that there was no progress on the bus service being made "hail and ride".

5. No Unitary Councillors were present

6. PLANNING

A. APPLICATIONS

a) Covered by the Planning Sub Committee

These cases were reported back to the meeting:

- i. Site Address: **Renescience Northwich Griffiths Road Lostock Gralam Northwich CW9 7NU**

Proposal: **Extensions to existing Waste Management Facility**

Reference Number: **18/02411/FUL**

Case Officer:

Ward: **Witton And Rudheath**

Parish: Wincham

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

ii Site Address: **REnescence Northwich Griffiths Road Lostock Gralam Northwich CW9 7NU**

Proposal: **Variation of condition 28(Noise emanating from the site) of planning**

permission: 16/01436/S73 Sustainable Waste Treatment Facility

Reference Number: **17/03886/S73**

Case Officer: Mrs Hazel Honeysett

hazel.honeysett@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

Ward: Witton And Rudheath

Parish: Wincham

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

iii. Site Address: **Thor Specialities UK Limited Wincham Avenue Wincham Northwich CW9 6GB**

Proposal: **Hazardous substance consent to store / use additional finished goods and raw materials**

Reference Number: **18/02621/HAZ**

Case Officer:

Mr Paul Friston

paul.friston@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

Ward: Marbury

Parish: Wincham

b) New Applications

i. Site Address: **5 Ashgate Lane Wincham Northwich Cheshire CW9 6PN**

Proposal:

New front square bay window, reposition main entrance door on side elevation, single storey rear and side extension and associated alterations and erection of fence to side boundary

Reference Number: **18/02949/FUL**

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

No Comment

ii. Site Address: **23 The Brambles Wincham Northwich Cheshire CW9 6QT**

Proposal: **Removal of existing steps and construction of platform and ramp**

Reference Number: **18/02961/FUL**

Case Officer: Ms Liza Woodray 01606 288676

liza.woodray@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

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

Comments by: **11 September 2018**

iii. Site Address: **Arosa Linnards Lane Wincham Northwich Cheshire CW9 6ED**

Proposal: **Variation of conditions 2 (plans) and 4 (arboricultural survey) of planning permission 18/00422/FUL**

Reference Number: **18/03193/S73**

Case Officer: Mr Edward Shepherd

edward.shepherd@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

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

No Comment

B. APPEALS

i. Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Appeal under Section 78 Site Address:

Land At 31 Chapel Street, Wincham,
Northwich, CW9 6DA,

Description of development: Erection of one detached bungalow with driveway/onsite parking plus associated landscaping and garden - amendment to application 17/04514/FUL

Application reference: 18/00670/FUL

Appellant's name: Mr Paul Bond

Planning Inspector ref: APP/A0665/W/18/3205724

Appeal reference: 18/00055/REF

Appeal start date: 10 August 2018

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ONLINE: on the Planning Portal at <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk> using the reference APP/A0665/W/18/3205724

EMAIL: cassandra.low@pins.gsi.gov.uk.

Resolved to ask the following issues be considered at the appeal:

1. *access to the property and*
2. *the density of development which is not in keeping with the other properties in the area.*

*Proposed Cllr Birbeck
Seconded Cllr Casson*

- C. The current Wincham Parish Council policy not to comment on domestic planning applications which have no additional impact on the village was discussed; to codifying this policy into the following wording as recommended by ChALC, such policy then to be posted on the village website was discussed:**

“The Council Policy on domestic extensions that have de minimis impact on local amenity is not to make any comment to CW&C Planning Department.”

This item was postponed to a meeting with more Councillors present.

7. Sue Statham was invited to address the meeting regarding CHAIN and TATA.

Sue was representing CHAIN. CHAIN believes that the application submitted by TATA to vary the permitted output will be unsustainable unless TATA also apply to have the current restrictions lifted over what they are allowed to burn. Without this, the calorific value of what is burned will not be sufficient. Only plastics and other toxic substances would be enough to generate the new output. The toxins and nano particles would pose a danger to health.

The application will be decided by Government, not CWAC.

Resolved to object to the application:

1. *To Cheshire West and Chester Council and*
2. *To DEFRA and*
3. *To copy the letters to the Unitary Councillors and*
4. *To write to the local MP, Mrs McVey*

*Proposed Cllr Birbeck
Seconded Cllr Casson*

8. The following report was delivered by the Clerk on behalf of PCSO Wiggins:

“ASB – *Report of 6 youths on the warehouse roof at Witton Albion Football Club.*

Burglary/Theft – *Attempted burglary to garage dwelling, nothing taken.*
- *Theft of caravan from storage location on EARLES LANE*

Other - *Caller reporting 2 x scam automatic telephone calls.*

****PRIORITY****

School parking issues.

PCSO update/Looking forward

Going forward, the kids are back at school and as predicted so are the parking issues. I will be trying to tackle this as a priority in September.

With the kids being back I will be visiting the schools and engaging with the children. This will take up the majority of my time.

PC BOYLE is the local police officer.”

9. Sub-Committees and Working Parties

- i. **No dates were known for sub-committee meetings before the next Council Meeting.**
- ii. **The Grounds Maintenance Working Party had nothing to report, but the Clerk was asked to have the damaged benches in the Linnards Lane Playing Field removed since they pose a risk of injury.**

The Grounds Maintenance Working Party will send the details of the new benches to be ordered to the Clerk before the next Parish Council meeting.

- iii. **No updates were received from other Working Parties.**

10. The rota for the responsibility for inspections was noted:

18/08/2018	Cllr Casson
19/09/2018	Cllr Barker
17/10/2018	Cllr Powell
20/11/2018	Cllr Birbeck
20/12/2018	Cllr Turner
22/1/2019	Cllr May
20/2/2019	Cllr Parr

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

11. It was noted that a complaint had been received concerning the noise level in the Linnards Lane Playing Field after dark. The situation will be monitored.

12. It was discussed whether the additional removal of rubbish from the litter bins over August was successful.

The additional rubbish collections had been useful and no complaints of over-flowing bins had been reported.

13. A report on the children's competition for Rules for the Park was made to the meeting was postponed.

14. Arrangements to paint the railings at the Linnards Lane Playing Field were discussed and the Clerk was asked to approach more contractors in order to have the railings painted before Remembrance Sunday.

15. The Memorial Garden and the new War Memorial and the booklet to give biographical details of the deceased were discussed.

Cllrs Parr and May had attended a meeting discussing the memorial.

The Clerk was asked to request the builders of the memorial put up barriers to prevent children being injured whilst the work is in progress.

16. Discussion of arrangements for an event to mark the creation of the war memorial was postponed.

17. Water pressure within Wincham and the response from United Utilities were discussed.

The Clerk was asked to request the water pressure figures for August and September.

The number for contacting United Utilities should be publicised through the website and newsletter and residents encountering problems should also keep Cllr Casson informed.

18. The response of Wincham Parish Council to Government Shale Gas Exploration and Production Planning Consultations was discussed

The deadline for responses is 25 October 2018.

The lack of understanding of brine beds of the experts who had come to talk to the Parish Council was noted. Without proper attention to the risks, fracking over brine could be dangerous.

It was also noted that fracking is considered dangerous near residential areas in the US.

Resolved that Wincham Parish Council opposes the change to Planning Procedure which would allow exploratory fracking as a permitted development and the Clerk was asked to convey this to the necessary authorities and to copy in the local MP, Mrs McVey

Proposed Cllr Casson

Seconded Cllr Birbeck

19. The response of Wincham Parish Council was discussed to the proposal of Cheshire West and Chester Council to introduce 20mph speed limits where the following criteria are met:

- i. Residential roads where the mean speed is below 24 mph.**
- ii. Outside schools where the mean speed is below 30 mph.**

It was noted that some of the residential roads selected are so windy that it would not be possible to drive above 20mph.

In Barnton, where a 20mph limit has been imposed, cars regularly exceed the 20mph speed limit and there is no enforcement regime.

A 20mph zone around Wincham school might be appropriate: elsewhere it was an irrelevance and would not be enforced.

The money could be better spent elsewhere on road safety measures.

Resolved that Wincham Parish Council objected to the proposed change to 20mph for the reasons given above.

Proposed Cllr Casson

Seconded Cllr Birbeck

20. Progress on displaying the Jet Commemorative Stone was discussed.

The Clerk reported that two proposals for the location of the Stone at the Community Centre had been put forward by the Chairs of the Community Centre and of Wincham Parish Council:

- i. Outside the front door, in the porch, which would be under cover and would always be visible to visitors, but which would demand greater protection to prevent erosion or weather damage to the Stone or*
- ii. Inside the Community Centre, attached to the wall between the Club Room and the main Hall.*

Resolved that the Parish Council confirmed its support for locating the Commemorative Stone inside the Community Centre, on the wall between the Club Room and the Hall;

Proposed Cllr Powell

Seconded Cllr Casson

The Parish Council further RESOLVED to cover the costs for displaying the Commemorative Stone in the Community Centre up to the limit of £500

Proposed Cllr Powell

Seconded Cllr Casson

21. The Thor Exclusion Zones were noted.

The Clerk was asked to send a copy of the Exclusion Zones to CWAC Planning Department to enquire whether the necessary consents had been obtained for the proposed development of the site of the former Black Greyhound public house.

22. Consideration was given to the protection of trees within the parish, including planting a tree to replace the rowan removed for the war memorial.

Resolved that the Parish Council will pay for a new tree to be planted in the Linnards Lane Playing Field and such additional trees that were felt appropriate

Proposed Cllr Casson

Seconded Cllr Powell

23. Plans to move the Victoria Infirmary were discussed.

*Resolved that Wincham Parish Council objects on behalf of the convenience of its residents to any move of the Victoria Infirmary
Proposed Cllr Powell
Seconded Cllr Casson*

24. Consideration to setting up a new working party to plan a Pizza Night was postponed.

25. Arrangements for Christmas were on the Agenda including:

i. Santa Claus visiting Wincham

This was postponed.

ii. The lighting of the Christmas tree

This was postponed.

iii. Arrangements for the carol event.

Views were expressed that the carol event in 2017 had been enjoyed generally and that the Methodist Minister be asked to repeat the format. It had been a more traditional carol service and this was felt to be more inclusive of all ages than one directed only at children.

26. No feedback was reported from any meetings attended by members since the last Parish Council meeting.

27. It was noted that insurance cover for the Parish Council is due for renewal on 26 September under a 5 year agreement with Zurich Insurance and to agree insurance arrangements for the following year.

Resolved that the insurance be renewed

Proposed Cllr Birbeck

Seconded Cllr Casson

28. Membership of the Parish Council Committees and Working Parties was reviewed and agreed as the same as for last year.

29. Consideration of storage facilities for Parish Council items was postponed.

30. Recommendations from the Personnel Committee in November including a special parish council email was postponed.

31. Reports were received on Village Communication.

i. The newsletter

There was no news given to the meeting.

ii. The village website

Details of the forthcoming theatrical production should be added.

Details of how to contact United Utilities should be added.

iii. Arts and performance around the Wincham area.

A production is scheduled for October.

32. Accounts:

i. The following payments were considered:

1. Northwich Town Council for works on Linnards Lane Playingfield and Chapel Street;

i.	Invoice 2874 dated 30/6/2018	£343.00	
	VAT	£68.60	
			£411.60
ii.	Invoice 2945 dated 31/7/2018	£245.00	
	VAT	£49.00	
			£294.00
iii.	Invoice 3007 dated 31/8/2018	£343.00	
	VAT	£68.60	
			£411.60
	Less £1in credit on Northwich Town Council account		(£1.00)

		£1116.20
2.	Reimburse Cllr May for replacement magnets for the noticeboard	£2.28
3.	Alan James:	
	i. tree surgery removing a rowan and stump from the Linnards Lane Playing Field	
	£160.00	
	ii. removing an additional tree stump	£190.00
4.	Zurich Town and Parish Council Team Zurich Town, Parish and Community Council Team, PO Box 726, Chichester, PO19 9PS (inc VAT)	£1,207.64
5.	Reimburse Clerk :	
	i. for postage: 24 x first class	£21.96
	ii. Black printer ink and copier paper	£27.98
6.	Clerk's salary:	
	i. August 2018 35 hours @ £10.72/hour	£375.20
	ii. September 2018 35 hours @ £10.72/hour	£375.20
		£750.40

Resolved to settle the following accounts

Proposed: Cllr Birbeck

Seconded: Cllr Casson

ii.	Current Net Balances were noted:	
	Current Account as at 5.9.2018	£200.00
	Business Reserve Account 1. as at 5.9.2018	£48,509.60
	Business Reserve Account 2. as at 5.7.2018	£12,003.93

33. Correspondence

- 1. Emails concerning water pressure problems**
- 2. Emails regarding planning services**
- 3. Emails concerning noise in the Playing Field after dark**
- 4. Emails regarding allotments**
- 5. Emails concerning trees and bushes.**
- 6. Written and email correspondence about Freedom of Information requests.**
- 7. Emails regarding TATA.**
- 8. Emails regarding the war memorial.**
- 9. Emails regarding the Parish Council insurance renewal.**
- 10. Correspondence regarding a proposed 20mph zone within Wincham.**

34. Any Other Business.

None was reported.

AGENDA PART 2

The remainder of the agenda was held in closed session not open to the public or press and related to updating personnel matters.

The meeting was declared closed at 9.14 pm

*Naomi Morris
6.10.2018*