

WINCHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WINCHAM PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2015 at 7.30 PM IN WINCHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present:

Parish Councillors: A Makepeace, K Barker, P O'Halloran, R Casson, D Pugh, D Turner, I Parr and F Smith

Unitary Councillors: N Wright, D Hammond and M Byram

PCSO Hambleton

Parish Clerk: N Morris
Ian Ross of the Press

No concerns were expressed during the public forum that was not dealt with elsewhere in the Minutes.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs B Cooke and D Cooke.

Resolved to accept apologies from Cllrs B Cooke and D Cooke.

Proposed Cllr Barker

Seconded Cllr Turner

2. Declarations of any

(a) disclosable pecuniary interests or

(b) other disclosable interests

As are required Under Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011.

- i. Cllr Barker declared a non-pecuniary, disclosable interest in Item 10 because of his membership of SID.

3. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 21 January 2015.

Resolved that the Minutes for the meeting held on Wednesday 21 January 2015 be confirmed as a correct record.

Proposed Cllr Barker

Seconded Cllr Parr

4. Matters arising from the Minutes of the previous meeting

No matters were reported.

5. No Unitary Councillors were present.

6. A report was received from PCSO Hambleton covering the following points:

- i. *A burglary occurred on Pickmere Lane during daylight hours;*
- ii. *Three vehicle thefts occurred on the industrial estate;*
- iii. *A leaflet drop had been conducted in Chapel Street on considerate parking*
- iv. *Traffic monitoring had been conducted for an hour and a half on Chapel Street.*

Members of the public expressed their thanks to PCSO Hambleton for his efforts in Chapel Street.

7. A report was received from residents on their campaigns to improve the safety and cleanliness of all areas of Wincham and it was noted that posters asking for responsible dog management had been posted. It was agreed that if spray paint was used to mark dog fouling, no stencil shapes would be used.

8. The present position of the former Black Greyhound was considered.

It was noted that CW&C and George Osborne have been contacted. It was reported that Ward Cllr Wright has agreed to raise the site at CW&C. The police have not been able to make contact with the agent.

9. Linnards Lane Inspections

It was noted that:

- i. inspections for the last month were conducted by Cllr Parr (22 January 2015 until 25 February 2015);
- ii. Inspections for the next month will be the responsibility of Cllr Casson (25/2/2015 - 18/3/2015)

10. The proposed Asset Register for Wincham Parish Council for 2014-2015 was considered and the Best Kept Garden Cup was added.

Resolved that the Asset Register for Wincham Parish Council for 2014-2015 be approved.

Proposed Cllr Smith

Seconded Cllr Parr

11. The proposed Financial Risk Assessment for Wincham Parish Council for 2014-15 was considered.

Resolved that the Financial Risk Assessment for Wincham Parish Council for 2014-15 be approved.

Proposed Cllr Turner

Seconded Cllr Barker

12. The proposed Wincham Parish Council Governance and Administration Documents for 2014-2015 was considered.

Resolved that the Wincham Parish Council Governance and Administration Documents for 2014-2015 be approved.

Proposed Cllr O'Halloran

Seconded Cllr Barker

13. The proposed the Wincham Parish Council Risk Assessment Document for 2014-2015 was considered.

Resolved that the Wincham Parish Council Risk Assessment Document for 2014-2015 be approved.

Proposed Cllr Turner

Seconded Cllr Parr

14. The proposed the Health and Safety Document for use by Wincham Parish Council for 2014-2015 was considered.

Resolved that the Health and Safety Document for use by Wincham Parish Council for 2014-2015 be approved.

Proposed Cllr Turner

Seconded Cllr Parr

15. The councillors noted with sadness the death of Councillor Linda Moss and considered the planting of a tree in her memory in the Linnards Lane Playing Field.

Resolved that Mrs Brenda Yates be asked if she could choose a suitable tree or trees with a positive environmental impact to be planted to remember Cllr Linda Moss.

Proposed Cllr Turner

Seconded Cllr O'Halloran

16. Consideration was given to a nomination of Cllr Linda Moss in the category of Outstanding Councillor at the CW&C Local Councils Assembly.

Resolved that Cllr Moss be nominated as an Outstanding Councillor at the CW&C Local Councils Assembly

Proposed Cllr Turner

Seconded Cllr Parr

17. Trees

- i. Consideration was given to a proposal that CW&C provide the following trees and to pay for the mulch mats etc for:

- a) 3 Jacquemontii 'Utilis' (very white-barked silver birches) to be planted on the hillock inside the play area;
- b) 3 rowans or similar on the opposite hillock (perhaps to commemorate Cllr Linda Moss);
- c) 3 Cheshire damsons to be adjacent to the damson and other fruit trees at the far end of the playing field;
- d) 3 pear trees; 3 victoria plum trees and 7 traditional (eating) apple trees, all to be planted along the long boundary, opposite the Linnards Lane entrance.

Resolved that Wincham Parish Council supported a tree planting with whichever trees were judged by Mrs Yates as being the most suitable.

Proposed Cllr Turner

- ii. **Consideration was given to placing plaques beside the Royal Oak sapling and the rowan/whitebeam trees.**

Resolved that staked plaques would be the most appropriate, but that wording for the plaques would be agreed at the next meeting.

*Proposed Cllr Turner
Seconded Cllr Parr*

- 18. The position of opposition to an incinerator in the local area was considered and it was noted that a letter had been sent by SID to George Osborne.**

Resolved that Wincham Parish Council remained opposed to the construction of an incinerator at Lostock Gramam.

*Proposed Cllr Turner
Seconded Cllr O'Halloran*

- 19. The issue of low water pressure experienced at properties in Wincham was considered.**

The clerk reported that she had e mailed United Utilities to request that an officer attend a Parish Council meeting, but as yet no reply had been received. It was noted that United Utilities maintained there was no problem. Cllr O'Halloran said that he would investigate involving an independent contractor to monitor the pressure.

- 20. Plans for a Business Breakfast were discussed.**

- 21. Plans for a Picnic in the Park 2015 were considered.**

Resolved that a Picnic in the Park be held on Saturday 6 or Sunday 7 June so long as the date did not clash with events at Pickmere or Great Budworth and that a Working Party be formed of Cllr Makepeace, Mrs Henshall and PCSO Hambleton

*Proposed Cllr Casson
Seconded Cllr Turner*

- 22. It was noted that the next INEOS Liaison meeting with local parishes is Friday 17 April at 2:00-4:00pm at Holford Brinefield Offices and Cllr Smith was nominated as the representative of Wincham Parish Council.**

- 23. Consideration was given to the state of the Linnards Lane Playing Fields sandpit.**

Resolved that no further works were needed to augment the drainage of the sandpit.

*Proposed Cllr Casson
Seconded Cllr O'Halloran*

- 24. Sub-Committees**

- i. **No sub-committee meetings were planned to be held before the next Council Meeting.**
- ii. **A report was received from the HS2 Working Party, noting that the issue had been on the Community Forum in Marbury and that Ward Cllrs Wright, Byram and Hammond intended to raise the issue at CW&C. Mr Henshall intends to host a session at the Community Centre to explain the implications of HS2 to residents.**

- 25. A report was received from the following working parties:**

- i. **The working party looking into providing additional play equipment for the Chapel Street playing field;**
- ii. **The working party looking into the grounds maintenance contract.**
- iii. **The working party considering the village website and it was noted that the intention was to leave the website as it was, but to make increased use of the village Facebook page.**

- 26. Village Communication:**

- i. **The Wincham Word
A report was received on the newsletter**

- ii. **The Parish Council Website**
No changes or additions for the village website were reported.
- iii. **An update was received on the arts and performance around the Wincham area, including Wincham Village People.** It was noted that the Newfoundland Theatre Group are staging a production at the Lion Salt Works on Saturday, 25 April and that boardgame afternoons and quizzes are being held at the Community Centre.

27. Planning:

- i. **The applications received since the last meeting were considered**

APPLICATION NUMBER: 15/00362/FUL DATE: 10 February 2015

PROPOSAL: Erection of Gate Lodge and training room on site.
New security gate to be erected in new location to improve the vehicular logistics of the site.

LOCATION: Thor Specialities UK Limited Wincham Avenue Wincham Northwich
Resolved that Wincham Parish Council had no objection or comments.

*Proposed Cllr Turner
Seconded Cllr O'Halloran*

- ii. **The approvals issued since the last full Parish Council meeting were noted:**

a) **APPLICATION NUMBER: 14/04793/FUL**

Proposal: Electricity substation

Location: Ashwood Park, Chapel Street, Wincham, Northwich, Cheshire, CW9 6DA

b) **APPLICATION NUMBER: 14/04736/OUT**

Proposal: Proposed development for B1 uses.

Location: Land Opposite, 19 Wincham Lane, Wincham, Northwich, Cheshire,

c) **APPLICATION NUMBER: 14/04950/FUL**

Proposal: One velux roof window

Location: 5 Rose Farm Court, Wincham, Northwich, Cheshire, CW9 6RB

d) **APPLICATION NUMBER: 14/05098/FUL**

Proposal: Formation of new vehicular access (including new fencing and repositioning of gates)

Location: Rowleys Of Northwich Ltd, Wincham Lane, Wincham, Northwich, Cheshire, CW9 6DE

28. Accounts:

- i. **The following payments were considered:**

a) Witton Albion hire of room for January meeting £30.00

b) Northwich Town Council invoice number 1220 dated 30.11.2014

Contract work on

Chapel Lane & Linnards Lane Playing Fields:-

£164.50

VAT @ 20%

£32.90

£197.40

Northwich Town Council invoice number 1255 dated 31.12.2014

Contract work on
Chapel Lane & Linnards Lane Playing Fields:-

	£188.00	
VAT @ 20%	£37.60	
		£225.60

Northwich Town Council invoice number 1268 dated 30.1.2015
Contract work on
Chapel Lane & Linnards Lane Playing Fields:-

	£188.00	
VAT @ 20%	£37.60	
	£225.60	£648.60

- c) Membership of ILCM
£10.00
- d) Subscription to SLCC
£103.00
- e) Clerk's salary for February 2014 35 hours @ £10.30/hour
£360.50

Resolved that the above payments be accepted and authorised.

Proposed Cllr O'Halloran

Seconded Cllr Turner

ii. To note Current Net Balances:

Current Account as at 2.1.2015	£200.00
Business Reserve Account 1. as at 2.1.2015	£13,981.90
Business Reserve Account 2. as at 2.1.2015	£11,988.02

29. Correspondence

Correspondence received since the last meeting was noted:

- i. Pack from Cheshire Community Action concerning the Cheshire Community Spirit Award 2015.

30. Any Other Business.

- i. It was noted that Cllr Linda Moss had left £300 to the Parish Council for the creation of a competition for the Best Wildlife Garden in Wincham. The bequest is to pay for a trophy and for engraving. The Best Wildlife Garden can be judged at the same time as the Best Kept Gardens, but whereas the Best Kept Garden Competition will be staged first in September 2015, the Best Wildlife Garden will be first judged in 2016.
- ii. It was noted that the photograph competition must be promoted.
- iii. It was noted that the Community Centre now appeared to have WIFI. The clerk was asked to enquire whether the Councillors could access this.
- iv. The clerk reported that she would be collecting 11 Parish Council Nomination Packs and that would bring these to the next meeting.
- v. The clerk was asked to contact the Legal Department of Weavervale to ask whether a noticeboard could be erected on the open grass in front of the Weavervale bungalows.
- vi. It was noted that further research was necessary to obtain a safe paint spray for highlighting dog fouling.
- vii. All the Parish Councillors joined in wishing Cllr Frank Smith many happy returns of the day on his eighty-sixth birthday.

*Naomi Morris
Parish Clerk
26.2..2015*

The meeting was declared over at 9.29pm