

WINCHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WINCHAM PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18 JULY 2012 AT 7.30 PM IN WINCHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present: Parish Councillors: K Barker, A Makepeace, I Parr

Parish Clerk: N Morris

In Attendance: Unitary Councillors: M Byram, D Hammond

Members of the public

During the public forum, members of the public raised the following issues:-

- There was concern over the village website. It was explained that the original website was now inactive but could not easily be removed from the internet. The current website was Wincham Village and this was updated each month. Copies of the Minutes of Parish Council Meetings were now being posted on the website.
- With regard to the proposed development of Keats Field, members of the public present at the Meeting wished to record their thanks for the support they had received from the Parish Council.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

were received from Cllrs P O'Halloran, L Moss, F Smith, D Turner, D Cooke, B Cooke, D Pugh, R Casson, N Wright and PCSO P Hambleton and accepted.

Proposed: Cllr Makepeace;

Seconded: Cllr Barker.

2. DECLARATION OF A PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST

Unitary Councillors Hammond and Byram recorded that they had a prejudicial interest in the proposed development of Wincham Urban Village.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved that the Minutes be confirmed as a correct record.

Proposed: Cllr Makepeace;

Seconded: Cllr Barker.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Clerk reported that CW&C have been informed that the state of 30 Chapel Lane has not improved. Further action by CW&C is awaited.

5. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE UNITARY COUNCILLORS

A Unitary Councillor gave a report which contained the following items:

- A report on the proposed incinerator is expected over the summer.
- The implications of the Thor application and the proposed development of Wincham Urban Village were discussed.

Cllrs Byram and Hammond left.

6. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM PCSO HAMBLETON

Although absent due to a family funeral, PCSO Hambleton had sent his report which included the following developments since the last WPC meeting:-

- **Crime**
A quad bike has been stolen from an insecure garage on Hedgerow Drive.
- **Anti-Social Behaviour**
 - ❖ No reports received of youth problems;
 - ❖ A report has been logged of road bikes causing a nuisance on the fields behind Witton Albion, although nothing was found upon attendance at the scene;
 - ❖ Nuisance telephone calls claiming to be tackling a computer virus have been reported.
- **Speeding**
On the Driver Engagement Day on 5.7.2012, 29 motorists were stopped and questioned by pupils at Wincham Community Primary School. Twenty eight of the motorists had been speeding and one was not wearing a seatbelt.
- **Other items to report**
 - ❖ Despite monitoring, no issues had arisen with regard to parking on footpaths;
 - ❖ The PCSO attended the School Summer Fete;
 - ❖ The PCSO will be involved to assisting with summer activities for the children and young people of Northwich and the surrounding areas.

The Councillors discussed certain policing issues that had arisen around Pickmere Lake. Although Pickmere is in a different policing area, it was suggested that the Wincham PCSO be requested to speak to and liaise with the Pickmere PCSO to resolve the issues.

7. NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

It was reported that the Neighbourhood Development Plan will be launched on 26 September at 19.30, with a public bar. More volunteers are needed for the Plan because it will be a substantial task drawing up a Plan.

8. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM WINCHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE REPRESENTATIVE

The WCC representative was not present at the Meeting.

9. TO AGREE DATES FOR ANY SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS BEFORE THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The Parish Council was not in a position to agree any dates for sub-committees.

10. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE LINNARDS LANE PLAYING FIELD SUB-COMMITTEE INVESTIGATING THE VIABILITY OF A TODDLER AREA

It was resolved to postpone this item for further information at the next Meeting:-

Proposed: Cllr Makepeace;

Seconded: Cllr Barker.

11. TO RECEIVE THE COMPLETED LINNARDS LANE PLAYING FIELD INSPECTION FORMS.

It was resolved to draft a new rota for the autumn.

Proposed: Cllr Parr;

Seconded: Cllr Makepeace.

12. VILLAGE COMMUNICATION

i. Noticeboard.

It was resolved to produce noticeboard similar to the one on the Community Centre. A gentleman called Wilfred has kindly volunteered to make a noticeboard if the Parish Council provides him with the materials.

Proposed: Cllr Makepeace;

Seconded: Cllr Barker.

ii. The Newsletter

It was reported that the newsletter would be delivered to Wincham by the printer on 19th July. This is the summer edition. The autumn edition will be printed in October. The deadline for the submission of articles for that edition will be 14th September.

iii. The Website

The Minutes of the May WPC meeting have been posted on the Wincham website. The minutes of the June meeting will now be posted.

Details of the three new councillors will be posted on the website. The Neighbourhood Development Plan now a page.

iv. The Rural Arts Network

A councillor gave an update the Rural Arts Network. *Bane* will be staged on 9th November at 7.30pm, for adults and children over 14 years of age. Contact Cllr Makepeace to buy tickets.

A Craft Fair will be held in the Community Centre on 10th November. *Ice Age 4* will be shown for children in the Community Centre.

13. CONSIDERATION OF THE SITUATION AND NEED FOR REGENERATION OF THE RIVER AREA OF THE PARISH OF WINCHAM

Resolved to postpone.

Proposed Cllr Barker;

Seconded Cllr Parr.

14. CONSIDERATION OF A DONATION TO THE SOCIAL CLUB OF ASHWOOD PARK

Resolved to postpone.
Proposed Cllr Makepeace;
Seconded Cllr Barker.

15. CONSIDERATION OF ADDITIONAL ACTION THAT COULD BE TAKEN ON BEHALF OF OLDER RESIDENTS OF THE VILLAGE

Resolved to postpone.
Proposed Cllr Barker;
Seconded Cllr Makepeace.

16. CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING A COACH TO TAKE RESIDENTS TO THE STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING ON 19TH JULY

Resolved to fund one coach costing £150.
Proposed Cllr Parr;
Seconded Cllr Makepeace.

17. CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING THE PRINTING OF LEAFLETS INFORMING RESIDENTS ABOUT THE STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE ON 19TH JULY

Resolved to fund printing costing £18.
Proposed Cllr Makepeace;
Seconded Cllr Barker.

18. CONSIDERATION OF THE PROBLEMS EXPERIENCED IN WINCHAM OVER BROADBAND RECEIPT

Resolved that the Parish Council should write to Graham Evans, expressing concern over the speed of Broadband in Wincham. Individuals in the village should also be encouraged to write, perhaps via the newsletter.
Proposed Cllr Makepeace;
Seconded Cllr Barker.

19. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE REMEMBRANCE FOR Cllr MAINWARING

Resolved to adopt the following wording:-
“To Roy Mainwaring in appreciation of your services to the Parish of Wincham between.....” Research was necessary to establish how many years the Councillor had served on Wincham Parish Council.
Proposed: Cllr Makepeace;
Seconded: Cllr Barker.

20. PLANNING

- a) **Permission granted.** 12/01768/FUL –G and B Motor Engineers Ltd, Springboard House, Chapel Street, Wincham. CW9 6DA
Permission granted. 12/02036/FUL–Fernlea, Pickmere Lane, Wincham. CW9 6EB
- b) **Refusal.** 12/01698/FUL –on land adjacent and rear of Meadow Croft, Linnards Lane, Wincham.
(The Councillors extended thanks to members of the public for their support in opposing this application.)

c) Applications

11/04377/HAZ – Variation of Hazardous Substance Consent – Thor

This will be heard at Planning Committee on 19th July 2012. Despite grave concerns over the implications for the environment and for existing houses if the existing zone is increased, the councillors felt they could offer no valid objection on formal planning grounds. **No objection.**

12/02515//FUL – Workshop building and 4 industrial and machinery structures – Thor

No objection.

12/02516//FUL – Erection of a new tank farm etc – Thor.

An objection will be lodged.

11/01968/OUT - Residential development of up to 1050 dwellings, including 30% affordable housing; plus up to 2500m² of associated commercial facilities. Points of access/egress on to New Warrington Road and Chapel Street. An extension for objections was granted until 17/5/ 2012.

This is down for the Strategic Planning Committee on 19 July 2012 at the Council Offices, Wyvern House, Winsford.

An objection has been lodged.

a) **Other Planning related matters** **None to report.**

21. ACCOUNTS

a) The following payments were authorised:-

RHL Print for printing newsletter - £550.

Northwich Town Council - £451.20.

Expenses of £95.56 for Clerk.

Clerk's salary - £305.94.

b) The following Current Net Balances were noted on 30th June 2012:-

Current Account	£200.00
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Reserve Account	£26,870.20
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Bonus Saver Account	£4703.89
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c) Resolved to accept the quarterly accounts.

Proposed: Cllr Makepeace;

Seconded: Cllr Barker.

22. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

Items of general correspondence were received and noted:

- a) Engage magazine from Cheshire & Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust.

23. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The meeting closed at 21.35. pm.

Members Note: The next Parish Council meeting will be held on **19th September 2012 at 7.30 pm** in the Community Centre.