

Windle Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 17 March 2015 at Eccleston Village Hall, Kiln Lane

Present Councillor R Barton (Chairman)
Councillor K S Barton (Deputy Chairman)
Councillor N Ashcroft
Councillor W Ashcroft
Councillor A Bate
Councillor M McNulty
Councillor K D Roughley
Councillor E Uren

Also in Attendance J Anderson (Clerk to the Council)

- 167 Prayers: Prayers had already been said at the Parish Assembly Meeting. Therefore the Chairman welcomed everyone and opened the meeting.
- 168 Apologies: Councillor S Bligh
- 169 Declarations of Interest: No declarations were made.
- 170 Parish Matters: Cllr A Bate reported to the meeting that the arrow markings on the sleeping policemen in Hamilton Road were wearing off and needed re-painting. Cllr N Ashcroft reported potholes in St Georges Avenue, Sackville Road and Queens Drive. **Resolved the Clerk to report to Highways Department at St Helens Council.**
Cllr W Ashcroft reported to the meeting that the Prince's Trust had expanded the garden at St Andrews Scouts and the parents of scouts had agreed to maintain it. There would be an official opening shortly. Cllr W Ashcroft also reported that Liverpool St Helens Rugby Club was hosting the trophy of the rugby world cup. The trophy would be travelling around the country similar to the Olympic torch. The club were holding an event in May to display the trophy. Any possible donation would have to be for a specific purpose.
Cllr N Ashcroft reported that the adults at St Andrews Scouts attended the Mayor's Parlour by invitation of the Mayor, Cllr Geoff Pearl.
- 171 Minutes of Meeting: The council received the minutes of the meeting held on 17 February 2015.
Resolved the minutes of the meeting be accepted and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.
- 172 Matters Arising: No matters arising
- 173 Planning Matters: The Clerk gave an opportunity for comment on the following:
(a) General
7 Rutherford Rd Erection of two storey side and rear extension, and front porch
N/Obs
(b) Approvals –
None
- 174 Other Correspondence:
Email from Angela Sanderson, St Helens Council – Clerks' election briefing Tuesday 24 March 2015 at 2pm. **Clerk to attend.**

- 175 Ecclesfield Sports Facility: The Caretaker, Bob, reported a scrambler bike riding on the field which was reported to Inspector Collins by the Secretary. Bob had also replaced some locks to the changing room doors and the car park chain after the key snapped in it. Mike Horton, Ecclesfield FC, reported no problems with the changing rooms or pitches. He commented on the excellent training they received for the use of the defibrillator and thanked Cllr M Haw. Pitch fees remained the same and the budget was agreed and accepted.
- 176 LAPTC/MAPTC/NALC/SLCC: Membership to NALC/LALC was discussed and it was **resolved to take up membership with SLCC and not renew with NALC/LALC. Clerk to advise NALC/LALC and complete the necessary form for SLCC.**
- 177 Lynton Way Play Area: Nothing to report
- 178 J Malone Garden: Clerk was requested to contact the landscape gardeners to check the cost and arrangements for maintenance for the coming year.
- 179 Parish Newsletter: One advertiser had contacted the Clerk to report that they would no longer be putting in an advert. After a discussion regarding the frequency of publication in was **resolved to discuss this further at the April meeting.**
- 180 Reports from Other Bodies: Cllr N Ashcroft reported that she had been invited to attend the Mansion House Over 50s but could not attend. Cllr S Barton reported that there would be a full Governors' meeting at Bleak Hill School in April.
- 181 Finance:
- a) Balances** – the Clerk advised that the balances at 28 February 2015 were:
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| Current Account | £5043.50 |
| Business Reserve Account | £6039.81 |
- b) Payment of Accounts**
- Resolved** that the following payments be made:
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| NatWest – Voucher statement fees | 3.25 |
| St Helens Council – Christmas trees lighting | 120.00 |
| J Anderson – expenses (travel and stationery) | 16.90 |
| Eccleston Parish Council – room (Mar) and phone (Feb) | 30.16 |
- Resolved** that the following receipt(s) be noted:
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| St Helens Council CIF – tree lighting at Bleak Hill CP School | 300.00 |
| Advertising – N Ashcroft, JS Hedges, Gornalls, PC Print and Beauty by Helen French | 175.00 |
- Payroll Services** – after discussion it was **resolved to cease using the services of the current payroll company and that the Clerk would process salary payments.**
- 182 Date of Next Meeting: to be held on Tuesday 21 April 2015 at 7.00pm at Eccleston Village Hall

The meeting closed at 8.25pm

Signed:
Chairman

Date: