

Windle Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 15 May 2018 at Eccleston Village Hall, Kiln Lane

Present Councillor A Bate (Chairman)
Councillor K Roughley (Deputy Chairman)
Councillor R Barton
Councillor A Dockerty
Councillor R Greatorex

Also in Attendance J Anderson, Clerk to the Council

11 Welcome: Prayers had already been said at the AGM, which had preceded the meeting. The Chairman, Cllr Bate, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

12 Apologies: Councillor W Ashcroft, Councillor J Cunliffe and Councillor E Uren

13 Declarations of Interest: No declarations were made.

14 Parish Matters: None reported.

15 Minutes of Meeting: The council received the minutes of the meeting held on 17 April 2018. **Resolved** the minutes of the meeting be accepted and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

16 Matters Arising: 182 (a) – Cllr Roughley reported that the bushes blocking the pavement in Windle Grove had been cleared
182 (b) – He also reported that the loose grid in Dentons Green Lane had been repaired
184 – Cllr Greatorex had spoken to the scientific officer at St Helens Council regarding monitoring the air quality at the junction of Bleak Hill Road and Rainford Road. He was told that St Helens Council would need the residents' consent before they could set up the monitoring. **Cllr Greatorex agreed to contact the residents**

17 Planning Matters:

a) Applications:

12 Lawrence Road	Single storey side extension and porch to front
144 Bleak Hill Road	Demolition of existing garage and erection of a part two storey part first floor side extension along with a first floor rear extension
28 Coronation Rd	Single storey side extension
95 Windle Grove	Erection of a garden shed

Resolved: that no objections be raised concerning the applications

b) Decisions: noted

Starbucks Coffee House	Single storey front extension with canopy roof – granted 18/4/18
63 St Georges Ave	Erection of single storey side extension – granted 18/4/18

- 18 Other Correspondence: Noted: (a) Email from National Youth Advocacy Service (St Helens) looking for adult volunteers to be matched with a child/young person living in care
 (b) New pay scales from SLCC for Clerks as of 1 April 2018
 (c) Email forwarded by St Helens Council from the manager of One Stop Shop in Eccleston offering to open and close the chain on Ecclesfield car park (**refer to Ecclesfield Management Ctte**).
- 19 Garden Competition: Cllr Roughley had produced the entry form which the Clerk had sent to the printers to be delivered week beginning 4 June 2018.
- 20 Ecclesfield Sports Facility: An extraordinary meeting of Ecclesfield Management Ctte was held on 19 April 2018, 7pm, Eccleston Village Hall. Cllrs Dockerty and Roughley attended along with 3 Eccleston Parish Councillors and the Clerk. One item was discussed – the opening of the car park during the day for shoppers/shopkeepers
- Cllr Pearl had suggested a 3 month trial period of Cllr Haw opening and closing the chain daily
 - Cllr Roughley explained that extra income was required for Ecclesfield changing facility and enquired about a pay and display system but Cllr Pearl explain that it would cost
 - Cllr Roughley explained that it would cost approximately £3,000 to get professionals in to open and close the car park
 - a recorded vote was taken on the suggestion of Cllr Haw opening and closing the car park. Cllrs Dockerty (WPC) and Pearl (EPC) voted in favour of the car park being opened daily for a 3 month trial. Cllrs Ashcroft (EPC), Broughton (EPC) and Roughley (WPC) voted that the car park should remain closed. With a vote of 3 to 2 it was agreed the car park remain closed during the day.

Cllr Roughley reported that a resident had contacted him regarding the car park being closed. Cllr Roughley explained to the resident that the car park was for users of the changing facility and was a requirement of the planning approval. The resident had said she would take the matter further and ended the call with Cllr Roughley.

The next meeting would take place on Tuesday 5 June 2018 at 7pm.

- 21 SLCC: Nothing to report.
- 22 Lynton Way Play Area: Nothing to report.
- 23 J Malone Garden: A quote had been obtained for sanding and staining the bench. **It was agreed to go ahead with the work.** Cllr Barton reported that 2 of the recently planted lavender bushes seemed to be growing but not the other 2. **The Clerk would contact the gardener.** Cllr Bate suggested planting a magnolia in memory of Cllr McNulty next year.
- 24 Reports from Other Bodies: None to report
- 25 Finance:
- a) The Clerk advised that the balances at 30 April 2018 were:
- | | |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| Current Account | 6903.02 |
| Business Reserve Account | <u>6046.95</u> |
| TOTAL | £12949.97 |

b) **Resolved** that the following payments be made:

SLCC – annual membership (one third of £185)	61.67	Chq 2447
P Taylor – internal audit 17/18	150.00	Chq 2448
Masterprint – print and distribute garden comp leaflets	274.90	Chq 2449
Zurich Municipal – annual insurance	321.12	Chq 2450
Eccleston Parish Council – room (May), phone (Apr), copier	48.91	Chq 2451
J Anderson – May + expenses paid out	267.34	Chq 2452

Resolved that the following receipt(s) be noted:

St Helens Council – first ½ precept	6088.05
-------------------------------------	---------

(c) Internal audit – the issue raised of 70/30 split for Ecclesfield was addressed. No other issues were reported.

26 Approval of Annual Governance Statement: **Resolved** that the Annual Governance Statement 2017/18 (Section 1) be agreed and signed by the Chairman.

27 Approval of Accounting Statements: **Resolved** that the Accounting Statements 2017/2018 (Section 2) were approved and signed.

The internal audit report had already been completed by Mr P Taylor as internal auditor.

28 Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday 19 June 2018 7.00 pm Eccleston Village Hall

The meeting closed at 8.05pm

Signed:
Chairman

Date: