

Windle Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 16th June 2009, at Eccleston Village Hall, Kiln Lane.

Present: Councillor R. W. Barton (Chairman)
Councillor Mrs. N. J. Ashcroft
Councillor W. Ashcroft
Councillor Mrs. K. S. Barton
Councillor Mrs. A. Bate
Councillor S. A. Bligh
Councillor Mrs. M. McNulty
Councillor Mrs. E. Uren

Also in Attendance : L .J. Kilshaw (Clerk to the Council)

28. Prayers

The Chairman welcomed everyone, and opened the meeting with prayers for the work of the Council.

29. Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr. K. D. Roughley (Deputy Chairman)- away on holiday, and Merseyside Police.

30. Declarations of Interest

No declarations were made.

31. Parish Matters

No matters were raised.

32. Minutes

The Council received the minutes of both, the Annual General Meeting and the ordinary Parish Council meeting, held on the 19th May 2009 - which had been circulated previously.

Resolved that the minutes of both meetings be confirmed as true and correct records, and be signed by the Chairman.

33. Matters Arising

Ref.min 16b – Parish Matters – Council were informed that the offending vehicle was no longer there.

34. Planning Matters.

A) Applications

The Clerk gave an invitation to comment on the following applications :

1. P/2009/0400- Utd. Utilities – ref. land adjacent to 119 Rainford Road.- constrctn. temp. access frm. A580- for period of 2 yrs. - retrospective applicatn.

2. P/2009/0411- A. Speakman -16 Windlebrook Cresc.-Demolitn.existing conservatory-erectn.of a part single stry.part 2stry.extn.to rear.
3. P/2009/0451- Mrs.C.Hastings- 30 Calderhurst Drive – Conservatory to rear
- 4.P/2009/0463 – Mr.C. Richards – 51 Rainford Road – Demolitn.of existing dwelling-erectn.of a 2 stry.bldng.for the creation of 5 x 2 bedroom aptmnts.+ associated land – scaping and car parking provision.
5. P/2009/ 0483- K.Westhead – 25 Coranation Rd.- Certificate of Lawful Use-proposed s/stry.side-extn.and canopy above the door.

B. Approvals

1. P/2009/0286- Mrs. J. Sheffield -143 Rainford Rd.WA11 7QF – Balcony on 1st flr.at rear elevatn.
2. P/2009/0314- A. Marsh “Ivy Cottage” Rainford Rd. WA11 7QF - retro applicant. for boundary wall/fence plus balcony to rear elevation.

Resolved that - no comments be made concerning the 5 applications detailed in A.
- the 2 approvals in B be noted.

35. Other Correspondence

The Clerk submitted the following items of correspondence to be dealt with as indicated :

1. Letter from Windle resident, Mr. H. Mansfield – this was a copy of letter sent by him to Mr. J. Widdop (Public Right of WayOffice ,St Helens Council) expressing concern at attempts by the farmer to prevent use of the footpath extending from the Stepping Stones Bridge on the A580 to Sadlers Lane .

Resolved that a letter of support be sent by the Clerk.

2. Letter received from Customs & Excise in response to the Clerk asking them about the non-receipt of the reimbursement of VAT (claimed in April 2009 for the twelve months ending 31/03/09).This letter informed that the claim was being verified.

Resolved Clerk to write further if not received by end of August 2009.

36. Ecclesfield Sports Facility

It was reported that there had been car parking problems again and a letter had been sent to the shop-keepers on Walmesley Rd. pointing out the necessary procedures to obviate such problems.

Damage had been done, yet again, to the changing rooms.

Adjoining farms had been affected by the problems with the land –drains and it was hoped that, in conjunction with Utd.Utilities, there would be a resolution to these problems.

37. LALC/MAPTC/NALC/SLCC

The Clerk gave details of forthcoming training seminars being conducted by LALC. Received & Noted.

The SLCC were to make available ,at a special price -£ 53.60 - the forthcoming eighth edition of “Local Council Administration” by Charles Arnold Baker.

The Clerk advised that this should be deemed a necessary purchase, as the one in the Parish Council’s possession, was the fifth edition and thus somewhat outdated.

Resolved that the Clerk should purchase this book.

38. L.W.P.A.

All quiet - at the moment.

Resolved that the existing closure arrangements be adhered to, but that additional measures i.e. close at commencement of summer school holiday period July 21st and also over Bank Holidays .be implemented as necessary.

39. Jim Malone Garden

The Council agreed a vote of thanks be paid to Cllr. Mrs. M. McNulty for her excellent gardening work on this site which looks outstanding at this time..

An effort would be made by the Clerk, plus any available volunteers, this summer to refurbish the Millenium Bench viz. clean and stain the bench etc. and replace the missing brass plaque.

40. Parish Newsletter

Nil report.

41. Garden Competition/ Poster Competition

Cllr. Mrs. M. McNulty reported that the School had again participated in the Poster Competition and she would be judging the entries this week.

Resolved that next year it would be proposed to the School that the pupils should enter the competition using I.T. as they were accustomed to using it for their school-work.

The judging for the garden competition would take place as agreed on July. 1st .

42 Bleak Hill School Awards Presentation

The Clerk confirmed that this would be held on Thursday, 16th July 2009 9.00 a.m. for a 9.15 start.

Councillors Mrs. N. J. and W. Ashcroft, who would be attending a Buckingham Palace Garden Party on that date, and Councillor Mrs. E. Uren ,who also, had a prior engagement made their apologies in advance.

43. Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

This had been provisionally arranged for Friday, December 4th 2009.

Resolved that this event should be held then and that the new Mayor, Cllr.Terry Shields be invited to attend. The Clerk to make the necessary arrangements.

44. Reports from Other Bodies

No reports made.

45. Finance

a) Balances – The Council noted the balances at 31st May 2009 were;

	£
Current Account	1440.45
Capital Deposit Account	9618.49

b) Payment of Accounts

Resolved that approval be given for the payment of the following accounts;

	£
DSG Retail Ltd. /PC World Printer ink-cartridges	49.99
PC PRINT Newsletter printing	494.00
Eccleston Parish Council Room Hire 16/06/09	20.00
L.J.Kilshaw Salary & Postage	308.42

c) Audits

The external audit was due on Friday 26th June.

The internal audit for the first 4 months of the y/e 31st March 2010, would take place at the end of July 2009.

46. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting would be held on Tuesday, 21st July 2009, commencing at 7.00pm, in Eccleston Village Hall, Kiln Lane.

Signed _____ (Chairman) _____ (Date)