

WINDLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
Tuesday, 17th January 2006 at Eccleston Village Hall

PRESENT : Councillor K.D.Roughley (Chairman)
Councillor Mrs.K.S.Barton
Councillor Mrs.N.J.Ashcroft
Councillor .W.Ashcroft
Councillor R.W.Barton
Councillor Mrs.E.Uren
Councillor Mrs.B.Walsh

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

165. Prayers

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

166. Apologies

Apologies had been received from Councillors Mrs.M.P.Fraser and A.F.Rigby – prior engagements.

167. Declarations of Interest

No declarations were made.

168. Parish Matters

- a)The Clerk reported that he had made enquiries regarding the siting of an additional notice-board at the re-furbished shop site at the corner of Coronation Road and Kiln Lane. With the proprietor's permission he had given details to the designer of the new premises.
- b) Bleak Hill School Tree-Planting- as there was to be no tree planting year it was
Resolved that by the use of virement, the money originally budgeted for this activity, be used to purchase one or two bird-tables for the new wild-life area in the School grounds. Clerk to arrange.

c) High incidence of dog – fouling reported by residents. Cllr. W. Ashcroft to inform D. Gordon-St. Helens Council Env. Protection and request help in the matter.

169. Chairmans Report

Cllr. K. D. Roughley announced the receipt of thanks from several of the invited guests who had enjoyed the Pre-Christmas Reception and proposed a vote of thanks to Cllr. Pat Fraser, and helpers, for the provision of an excellent buffet at the event. This was seconded by Cllr. W. Ashcroft, and fully endorsed by the other councillors present. +

171. Minutes

The Council received the minutes of the Parish Council held on 20th December 2005, which had been circulated previously.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 20 December 2005 be confirmed as a true and correct record and be signed by the Chairman.

171. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

172. Planning Applications

The Clerk submitted

(a) Invitation to comment in respect of –

(1) P/2005/1471 – Mr & Mrs. Bridge, 53 St. George's Avenue- 1st Flr. Extn. over existing garage + utility room extn. and porch to the front.

(2) P/2005/1488 – Mrs. Chisnall, 2 Crantock Grove – Perimeter fencing and wall.

(b) APPROVALS in respect of ;

(1) P/2005/1003 – Mr. P. Sanderson, St. Helens Council Env. Protection – Lynton Way Play Area, Windle – Erection of 2.4m high wire panel fencing and gates.

The Clerk drew the Council's attention to the fact that the original application had been for 3m high fencing etc.

(2) P/2005/1329 - A. Magowan 1 Sackville Road- 1st flr. extn. over existing garage, including a balcony to the rear + single stry. rear extn. to form shed

and green-house + conservatory.

(3) P/2005/1331 – Mrs.F.Morelli 169 Rainford Road – Conversion of flat garage-roof to a pitched roof.

(4) P2005/1351 – Mrs.Collard 24 Moss Lane – Single stry.rear extn. to incorporate garage

Resolved. that no comment be made concerning the application in (a) 1 but, that ref. the application in (a) 2- some reservation be expressed concerning a possible overpowering effect of the proposed perimeter fencing and boundary wall etc.
and also, that the 4 approvals in (b) be noted but the decision to reduce the height of the fencing in the L.W.P.A in (b)1 be queried,especially as no consultation took place with the Parish Council.

172.Other Correspondence

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

- (a) Duncan Society – “Winter / Spring Programme.-Received.
- (b) Notice of freePAT TESTING-until 31/3/06 – Received & Noted.
- (c) Invitation to an evening reception at the World of Glass,from the Army Presentation Team(Royal Military Academy)- Received.

173. Quality Parish Councils

The “Quality Parish Workshop” at Rainhill Village Hall was taking place tomorrow and would be attended by Councillors K.S and R.W.Barton and the Clerk.

174 .Ecclesfield Sports Facility

The fourth and final quarterly payment - £325.00- was now due to be paid.

175 .L.A.P.T.C.

Nil Report.

176 . Parish Boundary Adjustments / Review of Parish Electoral Arrangements

These matters had been discussed at the 20th December 2005 and the Parish Council's preference expressed in favour of the preservation of the status quo (see min.155 ante).This had been communicated to Mr. Martin Hughes – Head of Administrative Services,St.Helens Council by letter.

177. Parish Newsletter – Report

The Clerk reported that all but two of the advertisers had paid their account for 2005 adverts.

L.& S.Motors would not be advertising in the Newsletter this year, but another prospective customer had made an enquiry.

178. Lynton Way Play Area

As detailed under Planning Approvals (see min.172 ante) the application for the installation of the replacement fencing etc., had been approved albeit for 2.4m height, and not the 3m height, requested by residents and the Parish Council .

The Clerk would investigate the matter further with Planning Office.

179. Jim Malone Garden

Nil Report

180. Reports from Other Bodies

Police

Police Cadet Officers were to be introduced from October.

St.Helens Sports Council

There was a meeting scheduled for Weds. 18/01/06 but , as Cllr.R.W.Barton would at the Quality Parish Council Workshop that same evening ,he would be unable to attend.

181. Finance

(a) Balances

The Council noted the balances at 31st December 2005

Current Account – £698.41

Capital Reserve Account - £10255.04

(b) Payment of Accounts

Resolved that approval be given to the payment of the following accounts:

	£
Eccleston Parish Council Room Hire	18.00
Ecclesfield Project Revenue A/C 4 TH Qrtly.Payment	325.00

	£
* Paragon Building Services(St.Helens)Ltd. Xmas Tree Lighting	387.75
Post Office – BT Tel A/C incl.Broadband	137.02
L.J.Kilshaw – Salary/Stationery/Post/Purchases	258.32

*Expenditure incurred by the Council in accordance with its powers Sections 137 and 139 of the Local Government Act1972 as being,in the opinion of the Council, in the best interests of the area and its inhabitants

(c) Finance Committee

Resolved to hold a meeting of the Finance Committee on Tuesday 7th February 2006 - 7.30 p.m- at 26 Kiln Lane St.Helens. to consider Budget Proposals and Precept for 2006/07.

(e) Budget/Precept 2006/7

A letter had been received from St.Helens Council detailing the proposed dates for the payment dates of the Precept viz. 50 % ²⁵30th April 2006 and 50 % on the 30th June 2006 .

Resolved that these proposed dates be accepted and this acceptance be confirmed to St.Helens Council by letter.

182. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting would be held on Tuesday 21st February 2006 .

The meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.

Signed -----
Chairman

Date _____