

Windle Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 18th July 2006 at Eccleston Village Hall

PRESENT; Councillor Mrs.K .S.Barton (Chairman)
 Councillor Mrs.N.J.Ashcroft(Deputy Chairman)
 Councillor W.Ashcroft
 Councillor R. W.Barton
 Councillor Mrs. M.P.Fraser
 Councillor Mrs.M.McNulty
 Councillor K.D.Roughley
 Councillor Mrs.E.Uren
 Councillor Mrs.B.Walsh

Also in Attendance ; P.C.Neil Henry {Merseyside Police}
 P.C. Beverly Morrison (“ “)

L.J.Kilshaw (Clerk to the Council)

54. Prayers

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting, which she opened with prayers for the work of the Council.

55. Apologies

Councillor K.D.Roughley had informed that he was attending a meeting of the Planning Committee and would thus be arriving as soon as possible thereafter.

57. Declarations of Interest

As Councillor Roughley was a member of St.Helens Council Planning Committee, he would thus leave the room when planning matters were discussed.

No other declarations were made.

58. Parish Matters

The Police Officers present and the Parish Council exchanged reports and views on current and persistent problems including; dangerous parking by parents etc., when delivering or picking up children to and from both Bleak Hill and Windleshaw schools.

Other subjects discussed were the traffic problems at the Kiln Lane/ Coronation Road Junction, youth misbehaviour, and Lynton Way Play Area.

The Council were dismayed at the news of yet another local police reorganisation, which would result in Windle only being served by one police constable assisted by one C.S.O. Other parts of the town would similarly be effected.

The Chairman Cllr. Mrs. K.S. Barton thanked the officers for their valuable input into the discussion and exchange of information. At this point the officers left the meeting.

59. Minutes

The Council received the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held on the 20th June 2006, which had been circulated previously.

Resolved that, prior to confirmation as a true and correct record, the following amendment be made to min. 52 (b) ;

“The Annual Return External Audit Forms were discussed and completed and signed by the Chairman and the Clerk with Council approval. The Clerk informed that these would be posted after the next meeting – 18th July 2006 – to allow for final checking for accuracy.

After this amendment had been made ;

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting, held on 20th June 2006, be confirmed as a true and correct record and be signed by the Chairman.

60. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

61. Planning Applications

The Clerk submitted ;

(a) Invitation to comment in respect of:

(1) P/2006/0868- S. Tyrer-31 Queen's Drive – Conservatory to rear.

(2) P/2006/ 0817 – Mr. Tony Richards – 20 Moss Lane – 2stry. side extn. plus Single stry. side and rear extn. plus loft conversn. for bedroom accommodation.

(b) Appeal

Notice of an appeal by- Mrs. Chisnall 2 Crantock Grove
against the refusal of P2005/1488 for perimeter fencing and wall.

Resolved that no additional comment be made concerning the appeal in (b) and that no comments be made ref the application P/2006/0868 but, concerning

P/2006 /0817 a request was made to ensure that the fenestration in the loft conversion was of appropriate dimensions and would not be overbearing in appearance.

It was at this point that Cllr.K.D.Roughley, who had earlier taken his place in the meeting during the Parish Matters discussion, but had left prior to the Planning items, now resumed his seat.

62. Other Correspondence

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

- a) Report from Merseytravel re Business Information and crimes committed on Merseyrail and Northern Rail during May 2006.- Received
- b) "Contact" – July/August Edition -Received
- c) Forum Newsletter –ex Merseyside Police authority - Received & Noted

63. Quality Parish Councils

Nil report.

64. Ecclesfield Sports Facility

The AGM was scheduled for Tuesday 5th September 2006.

65. LAPTC/NALC

The NALC National Conference would take place in September this year in Liverpool-full details had been received

Notice of the 62nd AGM to be held on Saturday 4th November 2006 had been received.

Resolved that the Council be represented by Cllr. W.Ashcroft and the Clerk at this meeting.

66. Garden Competition

Cllr.Mrs.M.P.Fraser announced that the judging would take place tomorrow afternoon – carried out by Councillors Fraser, McNulty, Uren and Walsh plus the Clerk.

67. Parish Newsletter

Feed –back from readers concerning the June edition was good. Articles for the next edition (Nov/Dec) requested a.s.a.p.

68. Lynton Way Play Area – Report

Residents had complained of the gates not being closed on some occasions and in response to questions from Cllr.Mrs.N.J.Ashcroft the Security Force had sent copies of their log to show very few occasions when they had missed or been delayed.

Due to recent complaints Brian Johnson had been requested to investigate the situation further.

69. Jim Malone Memorial Garden

This year it had not proved possible to give as much attention as usual to the Garden apart from some basic maintenance.

The new waste bin had now been installed.

70. Bleak Hill School Awards

This ceremony had been carried out successfully and enjoyably on Thursday 13TH July 2006, when the awards had been presented to the school-children by the Chairman, Councillor Mrs Sheila Barton.

71. Christmas Tree Lighting 2006 - Report.

As requested (see min.50 ante) the Clerk had written to the Mayor of St.Helens,Cllr.Mrs.Teresa Sims to invite her to this event on Friday 1st December 2006. A reply had been received from the Mayor's Secretary, accepting the invitation on behalf of the Mayor and her Consort,Cllr.Maria Gleave.

The Mayor ,during her term of office ,has been encouraging young people to attend official events and had made a request to bring a young person with her to the Tree Lighting.

The Parish Council readily acceded to this request and it was;
Resolved that permission be given to this request and this information be sent to Christine Cox-Mayor's Secretary- by the Clerk.

72. Reports from Other BodiesSports Council

The local Sports Council Secretary is Mr.John Richards
Flat 45,Elmhouse
Egerton Road
PRESCOT
L34 3LZ

Police

The Police Report had been incorporated in the discussion with the Police Officers present during Parish Matters(min.58 ante).

73. Finance(a) Balances

The Clerk reported that the balances at the 30th June 2006 were:

Current Account - £6084.87

Capital Reserve Account £10016.95

(b) External Audit

The Clerk reported that the necessary forms, which the Council had approved at the meeting on the 20th June, had since been checked over for accuracy, and were now ready for posting to the External Auditor.

Resolved that the Audit Forms be sent by registered post/ or its equivalent, to ensure receipt in good time for the Audit Date of 28th July 2006.

(c) Payment of Accounts

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

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Peecee Print		
T/A PC PRINT	June 2006 Newsletter Printing	494.00
Eccleston Parish Council	Room Hire 18th July 2006	18.00
Ecclesfield Project		
Rev A/C	2 nd Quarterly Payment	325.00
Bleak Hill School	Photo- Copying Services	25.22
Post Office	Tel.A/C (incl.BroadBand Rental)	95.47
L.J.Kilshaw	Salary & Post	276.14

74. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting would be held on Tuesday, 19th September 2006, commencing at 7.00 p.m. and would take place after the presentation of the Garden Competition Awards to successful residents of the Parish.

The meeting closed at 8.50p.m.

Signed ; _____ -(Chairman)

Date _____