

Windle Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2009 at Eccleston Village Hall ,Kiln Lane

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

Also in Attendance : P.Cs. M. Pender and S.Kelly (Merseyside Police)  
L.J.Kilshaw ( Clerk to the Council)

139. Prayers

Cllr .R. W. Barton – in the Chair – welcomed everybody, and opened the meeting with prayers for the work of the Council.

140. Apologies

Apologies had been received from Councillors:  
W.Ashcroft who had gone into hospital to undergo an operation.  
Mrs.K.S.Barton - illness  
Mrs A.Bate – away on holiday  
K.D.Roughley – not well.

141. Declarations of Interest

No declarations were made.

142. Parish Matters/ Reports from Other Bodies \_

With Council` s permission the Chairman varied the Agenda ,and took items 4 and 17 together to accommodate the two Police Constables present.

1. Dog Fouling – there had been increased incidences of dog fouling around the Bleak Hill Rd. and Hamilton Rd. areas including the School Entrance etc. Cllr Mrs. N. J. Ashcroft had called upon the Dog Warden for assistance. There had been a prompt response and the offending material removed. Further notices were planned , but the wardens need the support of the public to identify the offending dog owners in order to enable punitive action to be taken.

2. P.C. Mark Pender mentioned the Cycling Course he was due to take part in and was requested to bring this to the notice of the next Windle Ward Committee Meeting on Mon . 26/01/09 to be held at Cooper Street Centre.

3. He also informed Council about the work being done in creating decent bikes by renovating items from the Property Office , which were made available to under-privileged youths .

The Chairman , Cllr. Richard Barton , thanked the police constables for their contribution before they left to attend to their duties .

#### 143. Minutes

The Council received the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council, held on Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> December 2008 , which had been circulated previously .

The Clerk pointed out that ref. min.130 the heading and the minute should read Freedom of Information Act not Code of Conduct .

After this amendment had been made it was Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council , held on the 16<sup>th</sup> December 2008 , should be signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

#### 144. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

#### 145. Planning Matters.

a) Applications - The Clerk gave an invitation to comment on the following application P/2009/0017 -44 St George `s Ave( Mr. P. Wittle )-Certificate of Lawful Use – proposed single stry. extn. to side .

b) Approvals – P/2008/0924 & 0925 – “Beechcroft” Rainford Road –Listed Bldng .Consent/ Alteratns.-Installation of package sewage treatment plant in front garden. Permission granted.

Resolved that no comments be made concerning the application in (a) and also that the approval in b) be noted.

#### 146. Other Correspondence

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

1. Information ref. Windle United Charity – contact details etc. Received and Noted.

2. Letter and questionnaire from St Helens CVS reference inclusion in their “Local Funding & Resource Directory” Received.

Resolved not to be listed in the Directory as a source of funding.

#### 147. Quality Parish Councils

Nil report.

148. Ecclesfield Sports Facility

There had been recent incidents of graffiti on the outside walls of the changing rooms.

The next committee meeting was due at the beginning of March.

149. LALC/MAPTC/NALC/SLCC

The Clerk announced that the AGM of the SLCC Lancashire Branch was to be held on Sat.7<sup>th</sup> March 2009 , and that a SLCC Regional One Day Conference (10.00am – 3.45pm) for Clerks and Councillors would be held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2009 at the Cheshire Conference Centre ,Stockport. Received & Noted

150. Lynton Way Play Area

There had been no problems encountered since the move to locking the gates on Saturdays and Sunday evenings only – introduced from 15<sup>th</sup> December 2008 , and to continue till 15<sup>th</sup> March 2009.

Resolved that this measure be continued as agreed till 15<sup>TH</sup> March 2009 and be reviewed again in March .

151. Jim Malone Garden

Cllr Mrs. McNulty informed that the leylandi clippings that had been dumped in the garden (see min.134ante) had been removed .

The Clerk reminded Cllr. McNulty that there is a budget figure of £ 25.00 allocated to the garden to be spent on plants and bulbs that may be required for Spring Planting, should it be required.

152. Parish Newsletter

The Clerk informed that the bills due from advertisers were being sent out this month, to cover the adverts. in the two issues published in 2008.

There had been a printing error on the last advert. for “ Flower Fashions “ – i.e. featuring their previous address as well as the current one .

Resolved that no charge be made for this incorrect advertisement. and apologies for this mistake be made by the Clerk ,on behalf of the Council , to the advertiser.

153. Christmas Tree Lighting 2008

The account had not been received as yet from Paragon ,which would include the replacement set of tree – lights.

154. Pre-Christmas Reception

This had , once again , been a successful event and the Chairman thanked the ladies of the Council ,who had provided a splendid buffet for refreshments.

155. Finance

a) Balances; - The Council noted that the balances ,at the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2008 ,were

	£
Current Account	204.99
Capital Deposit Account	11616.10

b) Internal Audit Report

The Internal Audit report for the quarter ending 30/09/08 was received by the Council – there were no matters requiring attention.

c) Budget 2009/10 – Precept – Finance Committee Meeting

The Clerk was still to complete the above and requested a finance Committee Meeting to consider these matters .

Resolved that this meeting would be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2009, commencing at 7.30pm at 26 Kiln Lane.

d) Payment of Accounts

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

		£
PC World	Printer Cartridges & Stationery	62.12
Post Office	BT Telephone A/c incl. Broadband- dedicated line	100.55
H.Bligh	Pre Christmas Reception –Catering etc for Buffet	9.50
M.McNulty	“ “ “ “ “ “	24.33
N.J.Ashcroft	“ “ “ “ “ “	63.95
K.S.Barton	“ “ “ “ “ “	32.95
Eccleston Parish Council	Room Hire 20/01/09	20.00
Ecclesfield Project Revenue Account	4 <sup>th</sup> Qrtly Payment	250.00
B.Walsh	Website / Computer	30.00
L.J.Kilshaw	Postage & Salary	308.36

156. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is to be held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2009,commencing at 7.00pm

The meeting closed at 8.05pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman