

Windle Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 20 September 2016 at Eccleston Village Hall, Kiln Lane

Present Councillor N Ashcroft (Chairman)
Councillor W Ashcroft
Councillor A Bate
Councillor J Cunliffe
Councillor A Dockerty
Councillor K D Roughley
Councillor E Uren

Also in Attendance J Anderson (Clerk to the Council)

At the beginning of the Garden Competition a moment's silence had been held in tribute to the hard work and dedication to Windle Parish Council of Cllr Sheila Barton who had sadly passed away.

- 65 Prayers: The Chairman welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with prayers for the work of the Council.
- 66 Apologies: Councillor R Barton
- 67 Declarations of Interest: No declarations were made.
- 68 Parish Matters: (a) Cllr Bate and Cllr Roughley raised a concern that in a document retrieved from the internet entitled "Improvements to the Windle Island Scheme – Economic Impact Assessment" produced in October 2014 by Mott MacDonald for St Helens Council there was mention of proposals for housing around Windle Island under consideration. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the Clerk would contact St Helens Planning Department to enquire about the proposals and to obtain an up to date position.
(b) It was agreed that Cllr Dockerty would ask Bleak Hill School to mention in their school newsletter the inappropriate parking in Watery Lane when dropping off and collecting children from school.
(c) Cllr N Ashcroft had been informed of fires that had been lit at the back of St Andrew's Scout building. It was agreed that any future incidents should be reported to the police.
- 69 Minutes of Meeting: The council received the minutes of the meeting held on 19 July 2016 and
Resolved that the minutes of the meeting be accepted and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record (with the correction made to Cllr Cunliffe's name).
- 70 Matters Arising: No matters arising.

- 71 Planning Matters: The Clerk gave an opportunity for comment on the following:
a) Applications:
28 Moss Lane Demolition of existing detached garage and erection of single storey side extension to both sides, single storey rear extension along with alterations to existing roof and removal of chimneys
Resolved: that no objections be raised concerning this application
(b) Approvals:
3 Windlebrook Cres Granted 19/7/16
88 Kiln Lane Granted 21/7/16
33 St Georges Ave Withdrawn 20/7/16
7 Rutherford Rd Granted 26/7/16
- 72 Other Correspondence: **Resolved to note:** (a) an email had been received from a resident in Haydock regarding a planning application in Haydock for 2 large commercial buildings
 (b) correspondence had been received regarding Windle Island i) notification that site investigation works had started on 19 September. ii) a letter from John Sheward replying to Clerk's letter. The response stated that in 2009 it was concluded that neither a 3 arm mini roundabout nor a four arm signalised junction could be made to function. Current consultants also concluded that signals would cause queues to Windle Island. The junction would be kept on file as a local problem should land in the vicinity become available. iii) the right turn out of Crank Road would now be included in the scheme.
 (c) Annual wreath order – **Resolved to donate £50**
- 73 Standing Orders and Financial Regulations: Resolved to use the SLCC model Standing Orders and Chairmanship along with Financial Regulations.
- 74 Ecclesfield Sports Facility: **It was resolved that Cllr Dockerty would join Cllrs Bate and Barton representing the Parish Council on Ecclesfield Management Committee**
6 Sept 2016 at 7pm in Eccleston Village Hall. Cllrs Bate and Dockerty attended along with the Secretary. Report as follows:
- A site visit had taken place and St Helens Council had reported that the changing rooms were in good condition and it was recommended that:
 - a) an electrical test should be carried out
 - b) and the water system should be tested for legionella
 - c) the flags to the outside need replacing
 - d) a sign was needed for the car park displaying closing time during the week
 - e) a small section of the roof would need repairing
 - One adult team no longer playing therefore not requiring a pitch. Bleak Hill Rovers had not confirmed the pitches required or paid their fees.
 - Mini wheelie bin would be provided by St Helens Council and teams would be asked to ensure everyone clears away their rubbish
- 75 SLCC: Nothing to report
- 76 Lynton Way Play Area: A resident had requested an extra bin at the play area. St Helens Council had replied to the resident explaining that an extra bin would not be provided as the area had been inspected regularly and no litter had been found at the site.
- 77 J Malone Garden: **It was agreed that a bush or shrub would be planted in memory of the late Cllr Sheila Barton**. The daughter of the late Cllr McNulty would suggest what she would like planted in memory of Cllr McNulty.

78 Parish Newsletter: The Clerk and Chairman requested articles for the newsletter. The deadline for articles to be sent to the Clerk would be Friday 14 October 2016.

79 Garden Competition: The competition, held in July, had again been a success with a record number of entries. The prizes had been presented to the winners earlier in the evening prior to the Parish meeting.
At the beginning of the presentation the Chairman had asked for a moment's silence for 2 Parish Councillors that had sadly passed away since the last competition, Cllr Marie McNulty and Cllr Sheila Barton. The Chairman paid tribute to both Councillors stating that they had been hard working Councillors and very much part of the work of the Parish Council.
She also thanked all those who had taken part in the judging and arranging of the competition, especially Cllr Bate for organising the event and taking photographs and Cllr Uren for helping with the judging.

80 Reports from Other Bodies: Nothing reported.

81 Finance: a) The Clerk advised that the balances at 31 July 2016 were:

Current Account	£9,457.99
Business Reserve Account	<u>£ 6,043.84</u>
TOTAL	£15,501.83

The balances at 31 August 2016 were:

Current Account	£8,887.66
Business Reserve Account	<u>£6,043.84</u>
TOTAL	£14,931.50

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

		Chq
Eccleston PC – phone July	9.53	2327
J Anderson – August	283.30	2328
Four Seasons Gardening and Landscaping – 9 visits	270.00	2329
J Anderson – Sept + expenses (domain renewal & refreshments)	403.88	2330
F Bishop – Chairman's Choice	30.00	2331
Mr & Mrs Forrest – Windle Roofing Shield – Best front	25.00	2332
Mrs Oxford – 2 nd front	15.00	2333
Mr & Mrs Roberts – 1 st rear	25.00	2334
Mrs S Fillingham – 2 nd rear	15.00	2335
Mr A Burns – 1 st courtyard	25.00	2336
Mrs J Topping – 2 nd courtyard	15.00	2337
Mr A Watkins – 1 st baskets/pots	25.00	2338
Mr & Mrs Muskett – 2 nd baskets/pots	15.00	2339
Mr A Jones – highly commended	10.00	2340
Ms F Deans – highly commended	10.00	2341
Mrs Eccles – highly commended	10.00	2342
Mr C Prior – highly commended	10.00	2343
Mr D Barratt – highly commended	10.00	2344
Mrs S Gordon – highly commended	10.00	2345
Mr & Mrs Kays – highly commended	10.00	2346
Eccleston Parish Council – room Sept and phone Aug	32.46	2347
RBL Poppy Appeal – poppy wreath	50.00	2348
Ecclesfield Project – second half contribution	713.06	2349
K Roughley – ink for printing certificates	39.75	2350

c) External Audit – submission date was 4 July and it was posted 30 June 2016. The audit has not been returned yet. When BDO LLP were contacted they explained over the telephone that the audit had been completed but had not been signed off. The outcome would be reported at the October meeting.

82 Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday 18 October 2016

Eccleston Village Hall

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

Signed:
Chairman

Date: