

## Windle Parish Council

### Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 21 November 2023 at 7pm in Eccleston Village Hall, Kiln Lane

Present Councillor Dockerty (Chair)  
Councillor Barton  
Councillor Greateorex  
Councillor Riley

Also in Attendance J Anderson (Clerk to the Council)

- 118 Prayers: Cllr Dockerty welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with prayers for the work of the Council.
- 119 Apologies: Councillor Almond, Councillor Barnes and Councillor Donnelly
- 120 Declarations of Interest: No declarations were made.
- 121 Parish Matters: (a) A resident of Crantock Grove had emailed to report vehicles parking on the corners of the road and making it difficult to get along the road. She enquired how to request double yellow lines. The Clerk advised the resident to contact Windle Ward Councillors. The resident asked for the email to be forwarded to the Ward Councillors, which the Clerk did.
- 122 Minutes of Meeting: The Council received the minutes of the meeting held on 17 October 2023 and Resolved that the minutes of the meeting be accepted and signed by the Chair as a true and correct record.
- 123 Matters Arising: None
- 124 Planning Matters:  
(a) Applications:  
None  
  
(b) Decisions:  
None  
**Noted**
- 125 Other Correspondence: None
- 126 Ecclesfield Sports Facility: Nothing to report
- 127 Litter Picking: All the equipment had arrived for the first litter pick arranged for Saturday 25 November 2023 at 11am at Windle Island.
- 128 Social Media: Cllr Riley reported that Facebook was up to date with posts about Remembrance Day events and links to St Helens Council's recycling information.
- 129 Neighbourhood Planning: The map of the Parish sent by Planning Policy Team was agreed. Cllr Riley would confirm with Planning Policy and invite Ms Manson to the January Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 16 January 2024.
- 130 Bleak Hill Road/Calderhurst Drive Junction: Cllr Riley had noticed that the yellow lines on the corner of Calderhurst Drive had been repainted but not the ones on Bleak Hill Road. The Clerk was asked to contact St Helens Council to request the lines on Bleak Hill Road be repainted.

131 Kiln Lane Crossing: The report that Cllr Riley had put together had been sent to St Helens Council. There was nothing further to report at this time.

132 Newsletter: Councillors were reminded that articles would be needed for the Newsletter which would be published April/May next year.

133 Remembrance Day: Cllr Dockerty had laid the wreath on behalf of Windle Parish Council at the Remembrance Service at St Helens Town hall on Sunday 12 November 2023.

Also, Cllrs Almond, Barton and Dockerty had laid a wreath at the soldier statue in the grounds of Bleak Hill School on Friday 10 November at 11am. The school had requested that the statue be moved closer to the school's footpath so that more people would be able to see it. Councillors would speak to the head of school at the Christmas tree lighting event to see if the school could arrange for it to be moved and Parish Council would fund it.

134 Christmas Tree Lighting: Bleak Hill School was happy to go ahead with the tree lighting ceremony. The tree had been ordered at a cost of £170+ VAT (which was in the budget). The Mayor had confirmed attendance. The school had confirmed Mr McCoy would compere and they had arranged Father Christmas. Councillors approved the programme. The Clerk would email copies to the school.

135 SLCC: Nothing to report.

136 Lynton Way Play Area: The Customer Request for Work form had been received from St Helens Council for next year's grounds maintenance. It had increased by £104. It was agreed to complete the form.

137 J Malone Garden: It was agreed to accept the quote from Darren Aspinall to re-paint the sign in the garden according to the specifications given to him.

138 Reports from Other Bodies: Nothing to report.

139 Finance: a) The Clerk advised that the balances at 31 October were:

Current Account	£20,661.24
Business Reserve Account	<u>£5,921.13</u>
TOTAL	£26,582.37

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

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J Anderson – salary, travel + litter picking equipment, poppy wreath	545.21	BACS
St Helens Council – grounds maintenance – Lynton Way	308.67	2689
Eccleston PC – room – Nov, phone – Oct and copier lease	66.17	2690
Rainfords Christmas Trees Ltd – tree BH School	204.00	2691

**Resolved** that the following receipt(s) be noted:

NatWest – interest Oct	7.52
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140 Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday 19 December 2023                      7.00pm Eccleston Village Hall

The meeting closed at 8.05pm

Signed:  
Chair

Date: