

## WINDLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on  
Tuesday, 16 November 2004

PRESENT: Councillor W Ashcroft (Chairman)  
Councillor ~~K D Roughley~~ (Deputy Chairman)  
Councillor Mrs N J Ashcroft  
Councillor Mrs K S Barton  
Councillor Mrs J Foster  
Councillor Mrs M P Fraser  
Councillor A F Rigby  
Councillor Mrs E Uren  
Councillor Mrs B Walsh

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

113. Prayers

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

114. Apologies

No apologies.

115. Declarations of Interest

Councillor K D Roughley declared an interest in a Planning Application, P/2004/1705, and informed that he would not participate in any discussion on this matter.

No other declarations were made.

116. Parish Matters

- (a) Complaints of youth misbehaviour, etc., as discussed at the last meeting (19.10.04), still persisted. Inspector J Vaudrey was to see the Ward Councillors next week.
- (b) Irresponsible parking on Bleak Hill Road by adults delivering children to Bleak Hill School continued to be a problem, despite some attempts to correct the situation.

- (c) Residents complaining of dog fouling in Fairway and Regal Drive had obtained evidence of the offender and the Chief Dog Warden, Phil Aspinall, was being contacted regarding taking the matter further.

117. Minutes

The Council received the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 19 October 2004, which had been circulated previously.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 19 October 2004 be confirmed as a true and correct record and be signed by the Chairman.

118. Matters Arising

Minute 95 (a) ante, litter bin overflowing at Jim Malone Garden – This had been reported to Mr J Robinson, St Helens Council, and the problem had been corrected promptly.

119. Planning Applications

The Clerk submitted

(a) ~~Invitation to comment in respect of~~

- (i) P/2004/1669 – Mr & Mrs Parton, 6 St Mawes Way – single storey rear extension to form rear porch and WC
- (ii) P/2004/1705 – Mrs S Collins, 20 Regal Drive – single storey rear extension to form dining room and kitchen plus shower room
- (iii) P/2004/1714 – Mr & Mrs Neill, 95 Windle Grove – two storey rear and side extension to form lounge, kitchen, bedroom, bathroom and utility room
- (iv) P/2004/1679 – Mr & Mrs Cunliffe, 33 Regal Drive – side extension creating a garage, WC, study and conservatory

(b) ~~Approvals in respect of~~

- (i) P/2004/1440 – Mrs Morelli, 169 Rainford Road – ground floor extension to rear, plus dormers to front and rear elevations
- (ii) P/2004/1613 – Mr A Cunliffe, 62 Coronation Road – single storey rear and side extension forming new dining room, kitchen, utility room and garage and porch to front elevation, all to have pitched roofs.

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Resolved that no comments be made about the four planning applications detailed in (a) and that the two approvals listed in (b) be received and noted.

120. Other Correspondence

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

- (a) November 2004 Issue "Contact" – Received.
- (b) "Community Focus" No 24 – Received.
- (c) Letter from St Helens Council Education & Leisure Services reference request for groups and individuals to get involved in St Helens Arts Festival 2005 – Received.
- (d) From St Helens Council (G Houghton, Senior Project Engineer, Traffic & UTC Consultancy) – Notice of Intent to make an order under the Road Traffic Act 1984 to make a speed restriction on the East Lanes Road (A580) from near Haydock Island to the borough boundary with Knowsley. The restriction would be to reduce the maximum speed limit from 70 to 60 mph and the aim is to introduce it in January 2005 – Received and noted.
- (e) Notice of study of parks, recreation land and open spaces in St Helens – Received and noted.

121. Ecclesfield Sports Facility

Nil report.

122. LAPTC

Notice received of AGM of MAPTC at 7.30 on 17 November 2004, to be held at Rainhill Village Hall.

123. Windle Parish Website

Mr Brian Walsh had kindly volunteered his services to help with the setting up of the website.

124. Footpath Walks

Some positive reaction to the article in the Newsletter had been received from residents expressing a wish to continue the walks.

125. Garden Competition - Review

Although comparatively successful, it was felt that the decreased number of entries was mainly as a result of the Newsletter having to be circulated in April, as opposed to May/June. This would be corrected in 2005.

126. Parish Newsletter

The November edition had now been distributed and some positive feedback received from readers. Councillor K D Roughley was warmly thanked by the Chairman and Council for his work in compiling the Newsletter.

127. Lynton Way Play Area

The Clerk reported that as yet no further information had been received about any replacement roundabout being made available. Clerk to pursue the matter.

128. Jim Malone Garden

Nil report.

129. (a) Planting of Trees at Bleak Hill School, (b) Tree Lighting, (c) Pre Christmas Reception

(a) This planting had still not been done, but it was intended to complete it within the next few weeks, weather permitting.

(b) Tree Lighting – arrangements were well in hand and the Clerk submitted the estimate for the necessary electrical work, received from Paragon Building Services, amounting to £300.00. This included the cost of an extension of the power cable to reach the tree.

Resolved that this estimate be accepted.

(c) Pre Christmas Reception – the Clerk submitted a provisional guest list and the Chairman, with Council approval, made some additions.

Resolved that Christie's Deli be requested by the Clerk to provide a suitable buffet, etc. for 40 people at £5 per head

This would be Noel Davies' last appearance as MC and it was thus

Resolved that £20 of gift tokens be awarded to Noel in appreciation of his services over the past few years.

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130. Reports(a) Police

Councillor K D Roughley had attended a Police Review Meeting and amongst subjects discussed were:

- (i) prevention of youth disorder in Windle Ward
- (ii) information re government White Paper for the provision of some 25,000 Community Support Officers nationwide by 2008.

(b) Age Concern

Councillor Mrs J Foster gave details of an Age Concern Forum, which had been chaired by Canon Geoff Almond. Subjects discussed included GP and Practice Nurses services, information about appointments and very useful information by a solicitor on making a will.

(c) Windle United Charities

Councillor Mrs M P Fraser informed the Council that there was a meeting scheduled for Monday next.

(d) Local Area Forum

Councillor W Ashcroft reported on the new format Local Area Forum held at Rainford High and gave some insight into how this works and the beneficial results.

131. Finance(a) Balances

The Council noted the balances at 29 October 2004:

Current Account - £242.58

Capital Reserve Account - £13011.79

(b) Internal Audit

The Clerk confirmed that Mr J Friar wished to continue as the Internal Auditor.

Resolved that this appointment be approved by the Council.

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(c) Payment of Accounts

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

		£
Eccleston Parish Council	Room Hire 18.11.04	18.00
Peecee Print Ltd T/A PC Print	Printing of Newsletter	494.00
L J Kilshaw	Salary & Expenses	244.64
*Royal British Legion	Wreath Donation	50.00

\*Royal British Legion had sent 2 wreaths to wrong address. Both eventually received by the Clerk. One used and one retained for next year.

Resolved to pay double donation to cover both wreaths.

132. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting would be held on Tuesday, 21 December 2004 and would be followed by the Pre Christmas Reception at 8.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.55 pm.

Signed



Chairman

Date

21. 12. 2004

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