

Windle Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Windle Parish Council , held on Tuesday,
19th November 2013, at the Eccleston Village Hall, Kiln Lane

Present: Councillor W. Ashcroft (Chairman)
 “ R. W. Barton (Deputy Chairman)
 “ Mrs. N. J. Ashcroft
 “ Mrs. K.S. Barton
 “ Mrs. A.Bate
 “ S.A. Bligh
 “ Mrs. M. McNulty
 “ K. D. Roughley
 “ Mrs. E. Uren

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

Min103.) Prayers: The Chairman welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with prayers for the work of the Council

104.) Apologies: None

105.) Declarations of Interest No declarations were made.

106.) Parish Matters

Windle Police Area not now under Moss Bank Police Station due to recent reorganisation- further informationl to be obtained.

107.) Minutes: The Council received the minutes of the monthly meeting of the Council, held on the 15th October, copies of which had been circulated previously.

Resolved that these minutes be accepted, and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

108. Matters Arising: (a) Ref. min88b – the Clerk confirmed that he had seen further incidents of illegal parking at the corner of Rutherford Road and Hamilton Road at School times. Cllr. Mrs. N. Ashcroft said that she would again report the matter.

109. Planning Matters; The Clerk gave an opportunity for comment on the following application;

a) P/2013/0704- Land adjacent to Bleak Hill Farm, Bleak Hill Road for/ 6 semis /1 detached houses. This had been considered previously by the Parish Council(see min.92a 15/10/13) but it had now been withdrawn by the builder, and it was anticipated that an amended plan and new application may be submitted.

b) No approvals had been made.

110. Other Correspondence: The Clerk submitted the following items of correspondence to be dealt with as indicated;

a) Invoice received from Halton & St Helens VCA for annual membership subscription for the Parish Council. Clerk to verify amount due, i.e. either £15 or £30 and subsequently remit the correct amount.

111. Ecclesfield Sports Facility No meeting until December. Cllr. R. Barton reported that the incident when the car park chain had been cut in half had been resolved by an apology and payment of £100, plus reinstatement of a chain etc.by Balfour Beatty, the contractors involved.

112. LAPTC/MAPTC/SLCC- Nil report

113. Lynton Way Play Area- Two incidents of minor youth misbehaviour in the play area recently, but after the Clerk contacted the security force, these had easily been dealt with .

It was hoped to arrange a meeting with the Ward Councillors in the near future to discuss the play area.

114. J. Malone Garden- Report A letter of thanks had been sent to resident Roger Greatorex for his help in the successful refurbishing of the Millenium bench. The Garden had been tidied up, and Cllr. McNulty informed that she had some cuttings, which would be planted in the spring.

115. Parish Newsletter:

Articles are currently being gathered together in an effort to publish in December. Approval was given for the editor of the magazine "Local Life" to be included on the circulation list for the agenda and minutes of the monthly meetings of the Parish Council.

116. Christmas Tree Lighting -Fri. 6/12/2013

The Clerk was able to report that Mr. Bill Wilcock had agreed to act as M.C. for the occasion, and that the new music teacher, Mrs. Scott, was introducing some new items to the programme. A 14ft. Spruce tree had been provisionally ordered from Rainfords at a cost of £120 plus vat. This to be collected and installed at the School, by the contractor on 2/12/13.

Mr. Bill May (St Helens Council Lighting Dept.- Manager) had taken the tree lights for testing and reported back that they were working perfectly. The cost for the actual work of installation of the tree and lights on site etc. was estimated at £482.

Hattons Transport Ltd., after some negotiation, had quoted £85 for transporting pupils and staff to and from St Thomas of Canterbury for the event.

Resolved that these items of anticipated future expenditure be approved and authorised.

117. Pre- Christmas Reception

Resolved this would be held on 17th December 2013 and that the catering for the buffet be arranged, as usual by the ladies. The Clerk would open the village hall at 6.00pm for delivery of the buffet .

118. Reports from Other Bodies – No reports received.

119. Finance; (a) Balances- The Clerk informed Council that the balances at 24/10/13 were: Current A/c £7001.21 and Business Reserve A/c £6035.79

(b) Payment of Accounts: Resolved that payment of the following accounts be made:

	£
NatWest Bank Monthly Voucher Statement Fees	3.25
Eccleston P.C. Room Hire 19/11/2013	21.00
Ecclesfield Project Revenue A/c 4 th Qrtly. Payment	356.53
Halton & St Helens VCA Associate Member Annual Subs.	30.00

(c) Risk Assessment/ Budget 2014/15

Further consideration of the current measures in place were discussed and considered, as well as initial discussion for the budget for next year.

120. Date of Next Meeti To be held Tuesday 17th Dec 2013 commencing at 7.00pm

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.

Signed _____ Chairman (Date) _____