

Windle Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 20th April 2010, at Eccleston Village Hall, Kiln Lane.

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

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

182. Prayers

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

183. Apologies

Cllr. W. Ashcroft due to family commitments.

184. Declarations of Interest

No declarations were made.

185. Parish Matters

Councillors E.Uren and N.J.Ashcroft both mentioned complaints of dog fouling, particularly in the St. George`s Ave. area. Cllr.Roughley commented that the long-promised new anti-dog fouling signs, had not yet been displayed in Windle , but were in evidence in other parts of St Helens.

186. Minutes

The Council received the minutes of both the:

- a) Annual Assembly held on the 16th March 2010 – for information only – copies of which had been circulated previously-
- b) and also the minutes of the ordinary meeting, held on the same date, copies of which had been circulated previously.

Resolved that :

- 1. the minutes of the Annual Assembly 2010 should be kept on file until the next assembly in March 2011.
- 2. the minutes of the ordinary meeting on the 16th March 2010 be signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

187. Matters Arising.

There were no matters arising.

188. Planning Matters

The Clerk gave an invitation to comment in respect of :

a) Application-

P/2010/0285 – Arena Housing Group-57 Rainford Rd. Windle WA10 6DD- Listed Bldngs.Consent : Renewal & upgrade of cast-iron rain-water goods to rear elevation .

Resolved that the approval of the Council for this proposal be communicated to the Planning Officer concerned.

N.B. No details of any planning decisions had been received.

189. Ecclesfield Sports Facility

There had been an incident with one of the soccer teams using the changing rooms, when they had kicked the door down to gain admittance and caused significant damage .This matter was being pursued.

The Clerk reminded the Council of the decision, made previously, to pay half of the annual contribution, due from Windle P.C., at this time of the year.

190. LALC/MAPTC/NALC/SLCC

Nil report.

191. Lynton Way Play Area

The Clerk reported that the annual ground rent payment for £0.21 had been paid to St Helens Council.

192. J. Malone Garden

Cllr.Mrs. McNulty had purchased some plants to help renew the garden at this time of year, after the hard winter and resultant damage it had endured . She had spent over 2 hours or so yesterday, in an effort to restore the garden. The Council passed a vote of thanks for her efforts.

193. Parish Newsletter- Report

The Clerk reported that Fairfield Independent Hospital had withdrawn their advert. in the Newsletter, and a letter of acknowledgement had been sent .

After the forthcoming local elections in May were over , the editor, Cllr.Roughley would be busy preparing the magazine for printing and distribution in June- all outstanding articles etc. were therefore, required a.s.a.p.

194. Reports from Other Bodies

No reports were made.

195. Roll of Honour Project/ Christmas Tree Lighting 2010

Resolved that discussion of these two items be deferred and placed on the agenda for the meeting in May .

196. Annual Insurance – Renewal

This had been considered previously and after further discussion of the various risks to be covered etc.it was

Resolved that the insurance renewal be made for the year commencing 1st June 2010.

197. Finance

- a) Balances- The Council noted that the balances at 31/03/10 were Current A/c £137.05 and the Capital Deposit A/c £7823.69 –
 n. b. the first half of the Precept 2010-11 (£6000) was due to be received on 23/4/10 .

b) Payment of Accounts

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

	£
Eccleston Parish Council Room Hire 20/04/10	20.00
B. Walsh Website	35.00
Post Office BT telephone A/c incl. Broadband dedicated phone line	98.22
Lancashire Association of Local Councils) LALC £241.48, NALC £108.73, LCReview 2 copies) £27.00, Contrib. Area Sec. £15.00)	392.21
L.J. Kilshaw Salary, Postage etc.	304.81
AON Ltd (Allianz) Annual Insurance premium	550.75
Cllr. Mrs. M. McNulty Plants for J. Malone Gdn.	26.47.
Ecclesfield Project Revenue A/c Two Qrtly. Instalments	750.00

- c) Signing off of the Receipts & Payments Book for the financial y/e 31/03/2010
 Resolved that this be carried out and the Chairman Cllr. R. W. Barton and the Clerk,
 L.J. Kilshaw duly signed the book.

d) Audits- the latest internal audit was reported to the Council- it was noted that no matters were requiring attention – the final internal audit for 2009/2010 would be completed early in May.

The external audit would be carried out on Friday, 25th June 2010 and the Clerk gave a detailed summary of the necessary actions to prepare for this in good time.

198. VAT Return for y/e 31/03/10

It had proved necessary for the Clerk to write to request the required claim form for repayment of VAT- and receipt of this was still awaited. The amount to be reclaimed was £862.84.

199. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 18th May 2010, and will be preceded by the Annual Meeting commencing at 7.00pm.

The meeting closed at 8pm.

Signed _____ Chairman _____ Date _____