

WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Winsham Parish Council held in the Jubilee Hall on Monday, July 3rd at 7. 45 p.m. 1978.

Present; The Rev.B.L. Bateson (Chairman), Major K.I. Cameron, Miss M.I. Churchill, Mrs. M. Fowler, Miss B. Harding, Mrs. Rose, Mr. P.W.D. Withers, Miss M. Wren, Mr. K. Wetherall (District Councillor) and Mrs. P.J. Cameron (Hon. Sec.).

Apologies were received from Mr R. M. Smart (Parish Clerk).

509 The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Monday, May 8th having been circulated were signed as correct after a slight amendment had been made.

510 Matters arising

- 1) Ref. 495 (1). Mr. Ashman expected to have the igloo completed by the end of July.
- 2) Ref. 495 (2). The Chairman and Miss Wren signed the cheque from the Silver Jubilee account made payable to the Winsham Jubilee Hall Committee.
- 3) Ref. 500. War Memorial. Mr. Loaring had been instructed about this.
- 4) Ref. 503. The Rubbish bin in Winsham cemetery had now been emptied.
- 5) Ref. 505. Chard and District Museum. A grateful letter of thanks had been received for our donation of £10.

511 Planning Applications

- 1) Ref. 497 (4). An application to refurbish Sheepwash Cottage, Lue for use as a dwelling house had been turned down. Mr. Wetherall said that he would appeal if he were the applicant.
- 2) An application had been received for No. 5, The Thatched Cottages, in Western Way, to build a utility room and a cloakroom. The Planning Committee recommended this for approval,
- 3) An application had been made to build another bedroom at Goosemoor and the Planning Committee recommended this.
- 4) An application had been made to provide sanitary accommodation at the Winsham telephone exchange and this was recommended by the Planning Committee.

512 Footpath Signposts Ref. 499.

No progress had been made as Mr. Pym was very busy and his mother was ill.

513 Boundary Review

A letter had been received from Chard Parish Council asking us if we wished to consider anything about Marshwood Lane and Whitegate but the Council did not think that any change was necessary. A

513 Boundary Review Cont'd/

suggestion that Cricket St. Thomas might wish to amalgamate with Winsham was made. The Planning Committee was asked to make some enquiries about this and the Parish Clerk was asked to write to Mr. Taylor asking if Cricket would like to amalgamate with Winsham.

514 Somerset Association of Local Councils Report

Mrs. Rose reported that the Association was awaiting a letter about Planning Applications. It had been suggested that the improvements to Bristol Airport might be borne by the rates but all were against this and an expert was to discuss rates at the Association's next meeting.

515 Hedges in Court St.

It was reported that the hedges needed trimming and should be cut down as far as the Malshouses. The Clerk was asked to approach Yeovil District Council about this and to ask the Highway Authority to clear the footpath past Mr. Rudkin's house, as it was seriously overgrown.

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516 Payment for hire of the Jubilee Hall by the Parish Council

The Jubilee Hall Management Committee were asked to write to the Parish Council requesting payment for this.

517 Parking of cars and other vehicles on pavements

The parking of cars on the pavement in Church Street and a digger in Bakersfield was discussed. It was agreed that this was a matter for the police and Mr. Smart could write to them about this. Mrs. Fowler said that she would phone the police about Bakersfield. The Health Dept of Yeovil District Council could contact the owner.

518 Payments

RESOLVED to approve the following payments: -

Audit fee to the Department of the Environment for
audit of our accounts for the year ended March
31st 1978

£

24.84

Clerk's emoluments for the last quarter

£

30.00

Mr. Withers said that he noted that we were paying V. A.T. We had originally intended to apply for exemption and there was no confirmation that we were ineligible for this. When the Church clock was repaired we had the cost of the V.A.T. returned to us. Mr Wetherall said that Misterton always had exemption from V.A.T. and he said that he would find out the name and address of the Parish Clerk there, (He was ex Directory). Mr Withers said that the Customs and Excise administer V.A.T.

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519 1) Mr. Wetherall said that most of the houses had been let on the new estate and a great effort had been made to accommodate everyone in the way that they wished to be accommodated. He said that one urgent case had not been brought to his notice although the lady's name went on the list in June. Mr. Wetherall asked that his name and address should be on the Winsham notice

519 Any other business Cont'd/

Board. His new address from the end of July would be:-

Manor Farm,
Hewish,


His telephone number would be the same.

- 2) It was reported that cars on the new estate went too fast and that the gate in the fence round the recreation ground was locked. The gate was for players to be able to retrieve the ball and it was hoped to have an amicable arrangement between the tenants and users of the recreation ground.
- 3) Tourist Information Map. Entries for this were suggested and the Clerk was asked to return the form to Yeovil District Council by July 31st.
- 4) Street Lighting, fault reporting. A letter had been received from the Surveyor's Department of Somerset County Council about this. As Davies Close is the only part of Winsham with street lighting it was agreed that the Warden of Davies Close should keep the cards supplied for a Public Lighting Fault Report. It was reported that the Davies Close lights had no numbers and were controlled by a time switch.
- 5) Somerset Structure Plan. It was felt that this was of no interest to Winsham.

520 Dates of next meetings.

A meeting of the Parish Council was arranged for Friday, September 29th at 7.45 p.m., the next meeting being already arranged for Monday August 7th at 7.45 p.m.

Signed


(Chairman)