

WINSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held in the Jubilee Hall on 24th February 1975 at 7.45 p. m.

Present: Miss B.M. Harding (Chairman), R.J. Ashman, S.G. Barnham, Rev. B.L. Bateson, C.W. Hawker, N.M. Hebditch, Miss M.A. Wren, F.W.D. Withers.

Apologies: Major K.I. Cameron.

165 Minutes

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved, and signed by the Chairman subject to the following amendment:-

Ref. Minute 153, paragraph 2. Add "and that he would write to the Yeovil District Council requesting that signposts be erected".

166 Matters Arising

- 1) Insurance, ref. Minute 159. The Clerk reported that there was a minimum premium of £5.00 p. a. on the proposed new policy and that as £3.00 was already being paid to Norwich Union for very little cover, he was taking the matter up with them to see if the new requirements could be added.
- 2) Notice Board. It was felt that present notice board was likely to be too small to hold an increasing number of notices. Mr. Withers agreed to approach ex-members of the British Legion Committee to seek approval for the use of the old British Legion board.
- 3) The Clerk reported briefly on the Follow-up Course for Parish Clerks {Ref. 162}, that there was much useful information for future use.

167 Footpaths

Ref. Minute 153. Mr. Barnham presented completed survey. RESOLVED that a copy be sent to the Yeovil District Council for action where necessary. After discussion on signposts, it was RESOLVED that pressure should be put on Yeovil District Council and Somerset County Council for these to be erected where footpaths joined a metalled road. Mr. Barnham suggested that Waymarks be put up by the Parish Council, as these were cheap and readily available. Agreed to defer the matter to the next meeting for further information.

168 Burial Fees

Ref. Minute 154. Deferred to next Meeting, when it was expected that Major Cameron would be present.

169 Planning Applications

- a) The following decisions had been received:
 - i) Approval - Barn for builder's use at Court Street. (Ref.

Minute 136). ii) Approval - Butcher's shop for residential purposes, 1 Church Street. (Ref. Minute 155).

b) Applications

i) 750001 - Reserved matters - Erection of bungalow and garage at Back Street. RESOLVED to raise no objection.

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ii) 750263 - Erection of garage at 5 Western Way. RESOLVED to raise no objection.

iii) 750160 - Siting of caravan at rear of Post Office. RESOLVED to raise no objection, on condition that this was for temporary use, on site already given outline permission for dwelling.

c) Miss Churchill's application for bungalow. (Ref. Minute 155).

The Clerk reported that an appeal had now been lodged against the refusal. The Parish Council would not necessarily be asked for its views, but might have the opportunity of giving them. After discussion, it was RESOLVED that the Parish Council could not support the appeal because the refusal had been made for technical reasons, namely tandem development and the small curtilage remaining with Forge House, and that the Clerk should write to Miss Churchill accordingly.

170 Maintenance

a) Churchyard. Ref. Minute 156. The Clerk reported that the Yeovil District Council's estimate showed an initial cost of £395 and an annual cost of £375 for fortnightly maintenance. If the Yeovil District Council took over responsibility, they could put the cost back on to the Parish Rate and that the District Council was being recommended to do this. RESOLVED that this matter be deferred to the Annual Parish Meeting and that the Yeovil District Council be asked to carry out minimum maintenance on behalf of the Parish Council in the meantime.

b) Cemetery and small Recreation Ground. Ref. Minute 156, the Clerk reported on the estimates received from the Yeovil District Council which suggested initial costs of £214 for the cemetery and annual costs of £450 for the cemetery and £98 for the Recreation Ground. The Clerk advised that the District Council would provide a 50% grant on the latter item. After discussion, it was RESOLVED:

i) That the District Council's estimate for the maintenance of the Recreation Ground on a ten day cycle be accepted.

ii) With reference to the Cemetery, as resolution in (a) above, and that the District Council's Amenities Officer be invited to the Annual Parish Meeting.

71 Stationery

A design and estimate of approximately £10 for 1000 letterheads and 500 Compliment slips submitted by the Clerk was approved.

172 Polling Stations

The Clerk reported on a letter received from the District Council suggesting the use of the Jubilee Hall instead of the County Primary School. RESOLVED to recommend approval of this suggestion.

173 Dates of Meetings

It was agreed that a Parish Council Meeting be held at 7.00 p.m. on Monday, 14th April, prior to the Annual Parish Meeting, which would commence at 8.00 p.m. on that date. The Annual Parish Council Meeting was fixed for 7.45p.m. on Monday, 2nd June.

174 Accounts

RESOLVED to authorise payment of the following accounts:

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Somerset Association of Local Councils-.Book - 'Local Council Administration'
£7.00

R.M. Smart; Salary Jan - Mar^ + expenses £27.62.

175 Somerset Association of Parish Councils

Mr. Barnham gave a short report on the last meeting.

