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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WIDDERSH PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.45 p.m. ON TUESDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2015 IN THE JOHN GROBLER ROOM

PRESENT: Cllrs J Southgate (Chairman), P Bray, D Green, G Harper,
R Holdstock, D Hunt, F Obileye, P Ray, I Shepherd-Dubey,
R Shepherd-Dubey, R Tilbe.

In attendance: Clive Hudson (WPC Clerk), WBC Cllr P Houldsworth.

1 APOLOGIES

1.1 Apologies for absence – Cllr F Breedlove, S Hanna, C Taylor.

2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

2.1 The minutes of the Council meeting of 13 January 2015 were agreed, and the Parish Council **RESOLVED** to sign the minutes as a true record.

3 MATTERS ARISING

3.1 There has been no response from WBC to the Council's comments re the traffic light problems at Showcase roundabout.

4 PUBLIC SESSION

4.1 none

5 COMPLAINTS AND FAULT TRACKING

5.1 WBC have repaired the raised kerb at the Community Centre entrance.

6 CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Correspondence received prior to the issue of the agenda

Item 3; Cllr R Shepherd-Dubey gave an update on the Winnersh Meadows repairs.

Items 14 & 16; The change of Community Warden was noted.

6.2 Correspondence received since the issue of the agenda

Item N12; the relocation of the Reading Road Post Office was discussed. The Clerk was asked to contact the Post Office with comments regarding parking and the cycleway and to query the siting of the current letterbox and collection times. **ACTION: Clerk**

Item N13; An update was given on Voter Registration. An information session is being arranged at WBC at 5pm on 18 March for the Parish elections, with information packs available.

7 BOROUGH COUNCIL MATTERS

7.1 Cllr R Shepherd-Dubey reported:

- There has been no further progress with the Hatch Farm Dairies project. There is to be no additional funding from the developers for the extension of the relief road.
- There are to be two sets of new road works on the Reading Road.

7.2 Cllr Bray reported:

- There is a new consultation on the Carnival Pool site, Wokingham.
- The report on the Flood Risk Management Consultation has been delayed.
- The WBC Budget meeting is scheduled for next week.
- An additional WBC Council meeting was called in January.

7.3 Cllr Houldsworth reported:

- An Environment Agency update for Hatch Farm Dairies.
- There is a consultation regarding Dinton Pastures.
- There is a review of the land usage at the Winnersh Crossroads.

(Cllr Houldsworth left the meeting)

8 PARISH COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS

8.1 Borough Council matters:

There is no further news on decisions regarding the cycleway.

The Clerk was asked to follow up the request for a copy of the consultation information. **ACTION: Clerk**

8.2 Parish Council matters:

Cllr Ray raised a question regarding the increase in dog fouling in the Churchill Drive area. The Council discussed the scope of the problem and possible initiatives. The Clerk was asked to contact the Rainbow Centre Community Worker.

ACTION: Clerk

9 LAST PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

9.1 The minutes of the Committee meeting of 26 January 2015 were agreed, and the Parish Council **RESOLVED** to sign them as a true record. Cllr Southgate signed the minutes.

9.2 Cllr Southgate reported on the objections to the Sainsbury's illuminated signage and the application at Yew Tree Cottage. Comments have been sent to the Highways Agency regarding the M4 Smart Motorway Speed Restriction signs.

10 LAST R&A COMMITTEE MEETING

10.1 The minutes of the Committee meeting of 3 February 2105 were agreed, and the Parish Council **RESOLVED** to sign them as a true record.

10.2 Cllr Green reported that;

- Sainsburys have now confirmed that their car park can be used as a meeting place for the Litter Pick. The Clerk will confirm this with WBC and will also request information about the Adopt A Street scheme, to be given to volunteers on the day. **ACTION: Clerk**
- The Committee has sent to WBC a wish list of requirements for a new allotment site, in the event of the current allotments being used for the N Wokingham SDL relief road.
- The Clerk reported on the treatment of the rat infestation outside the Community Centre. The Council **RESOLVED** to authorise an additional baiting. The R&A Committee will review the situation at its next meeting.

10.3 The Committee had **RECOMMENDED** an additional £1000 to be included in the CCTV upgrade budget and this was **RESOLVED**. The request from A Solo for a 50% deposit on the CCTV system was discussed. The Council **RESOLVED** to authorise the deposit.

10.4 The Committee had **RECOMMENDED** the inclusion in the R&A budget of £19000 as a **Reserved Item** for the Pavilion flat roof replacement and this was **RESOLVED**.

11 LAST F&GP COMMITTEE MEETING

11.1 The minutes of the Committee meeting of 27 January 2015 were agreed, and the Parish Council **RESOLVED** to sign them as a true record.

11.2 Cllr Harper reported that the meeting had set the Chairman's Allowance, vired money to the CCTV budget and increased the grant budget.

- 11.3 The Committee had **RECOMMENDED** and the Parish Council **RESOLVED** to accept the Income, Expenditure and Capital & Special Projects accounts for Q3, 2014-15.

12 BUDGET AND PRECEPT 2015-16

- 12.1 Cllr Southgate confirmed the allocation of budgets for 2015-16 and presented the revised budget summary.
- 12.2 The F&GP Committee had **RECOMMENDED** and the Parish Council **RESOLVED** to accept the Income, Expenditure and Capital & Special Projects budgets for 2015-16.
- 12.3 The Council **RESOLVED** to approve the Budget Summary attached to and forming part of these minutes (Appendix 2) and set the precept for 2015-16 as £107,801.

13 WINNERSH MATTERS

- 13.1 The Council discussed the options of a March or May edition. The Council decided to prepare an edition ready for publication in late May, after the elections.

14 REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

- 14.1 Cllr Harper reported on the NAG Civil Parking Enforcement meeting. He explained set up charges and ongoing funding. Cllrs Bray and R Shepherd-Dubey gave further information.
- 14.2 Cllr Hunt reported on the discussions on flooding at the Loddon Fisheries Catchment Consultation meeting.
- 14.3 Cllr Harper reported on the WDALC AGM. He clarified the role the group wishes to take within the Borough/Parish Working Group. He reported on training opportunities – see also Correspondence item 7.

15 APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

- 15.1 See item 10.3 above for the A Solo deposit.
- 15.2 The Clerk confirmed the one-off purchase of replacement entrance mats from Bowak.
- 15.3 Cllr Southgate confirmed the request for a replacement cheque.
- 15.4 It was **PROPOSED** by Cllr P Bray and **SECONDED** by Cllr R Tilbe and the Parish Council **RESOLVED** to pay the following accounts for February 2015.

**WINNERSH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 10 FEBRUARY 2015
ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT - FEBRUARY 2015**

Payee	Description	Amount	Chq No
Salaries (CH-AL-CF)	Salaries	3,371.16	SO/7643-7645
HM Revenue & Customs Only	Tax & NI - Month 11 Year 2014-15	690.58	7646
The Berkshire Pension Fund	Pension	974.99	7647
Adele Walker	Relief Caretaker (4 days - January)	227.60	7648
ARC	Donation	200.00	7649
A Solo Security	50% Deposit for CCTV System	2,141.76	7650
Berkshire Pest Control Limited	Treatment of Rats at the Community Centre	108.00	7651
Bowak Limited	Door Mats for WH & AP / Mophead & Sweeper	270.14	7652
Corona Energy Retail 4 Limited	Gas Charges to 1 Jan15	105.50	7653
Cruse Bereavement Care	Donation	100.00	7654
Gavin Richards	Refund of Damage Deposit - Invoice Balance	157.56	7655
John Southgate	Q1 Chairman's Allowance - Replacement Chq	40.00	7656
Lyn Thomson	Refund of Damage Deposit	50.00	7657
Nick Robins Limited	Groundworks January	618.00	7658
Relate Berkshire	Donation	100.00	7659
Sue Ryder - The Duchess of Kent Hospice	Donation	200.00	7660
Viking	Copier & Coloured Paper / Envelopes etc	223.17	7661
BT	Q108 7D Fixed Charge 1 Feb - 30 Apr	90.94	DD 16/2
Easycopiers Limited	600661 Charges to 31 Jan	42.00	DD 28/2
NatWest OneCard	Argos - New Hoover £79.99	143.99	DD 10/2
	LogMeIn - Clive to investigate £64.00		
Plusnet	58268387 Telecoms Charges to 9 March	48.89	DD 13/2
Risc Group	42121 PC Back Ups	22.74	DD 16/2
Total for the month		9,927.02	

Payments made after last meeting

Easycopiers Limited	599209 Invoice not received yet, payment taken	42.00	DD 31/12
Plusnet	56463429 Telecoms Charges to 9 Jan	52.44	DD 16/12

16 ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

16.1 There are new email addresses for Cllrs Tilbe and Hanna.

16.2 The next meeting of the Fete Working Group was moved from 24 February to Monday 2 March, at 7.45pm.

17 TIME AND DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

17.1 The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 10 March 2015 at 7.45pm in the John Grobler Room.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.30pm.

APPENDIX 1

Items of correspondence received prior to the issue of the 10 February 2015 Full Council Meeting Agenda

- 1 BALC; training – Leases and Licences
- 2 WDALC; meeting, 21 January 2015
- 3 Sainsbury's; upgrade Winnersh Meadows footpaths
- 4 TVP; Thames Valley Alerts
- 5 WBC; Station Link Road opening
- 6 BALC; Heathrow Runways public meeting, 20 January 2015
- 7 BALC; Being a Good Employer training 25 March 2015
- 8 WBC; Future of Dinton Pastures newsletter
- 9 WBC; new Homes newsletter
- 10 WBC; Get Active job opportunities
- 11 BPWG; notes from meeting of 12 January 2015
- 12 WBC; Campaign Against Waste meeting notes 16 January 2015
- 13 WDALC; notes of meeting of 21 January 2015
- 14 Mohammed Ahmed; no longer Community Warden
- 15 WBC; Electoral Information, 2015
- 16 Shannon Gardner; introduction as new Community Warden
- 17 WBC; Libraries February newsletter
- 18 WBC; S Wokingham SDL public meeting, 3 February 2015
- 19 Involve; link to The Chain newsletter
- 20 NALC; Larger Councils' meeting notes, 20 January 2015
- 21 TVERC; training programme
- 22 WBC; invitation to Summer Outreach launch 24 February 2015
- 23 WBC; Electoral Registration posters
- 24 WBC; Major Projects meeting, 10 February 2015
- 25 WBC Libraries, launch of books on prescription, newsletter
- 26 NALC; National Voter Registration Day, 5 February 2015
- 27 Involve; Carer's Advisor surgery dates
- 28 WBC; Adult Social Care Charging Framework, newsletter
- 29 WBC; Care and Support changes, newsletter
- 30 Rainbow Centre; Community Newsletter, February 2015
- 31 WBVSF; news update

Items of correspondence received since the issue of the 10 February 2015 Full Council Meeting Agenda

- N1 Cllr P Ray; increase in dog fouling
- N2 WBC; Electoral Register update, February 2015
- N3 Involve; plea to support 'Independence and Self-Care' survey
- N4 NALC; link to DIS newsletter, February 2015
- N5 A-Solo; request for deposit for CCTV upgrade
- N6 WBC; Borough Mayor's engagements, 6-11 February 2015
- N7 BALC; no precept capping in 2015-16
- N8 WBC; Building a Bright Future for Wokingham Town Centre
- N9 CCB; Action For All e-bulletin
- N10 NALC; newsletter
- N11 Cllr C Taylor; apologies and update
- N12 Post Office; removal of Post Office to 487 Reading Road (Winnersh Food & Wine)
- N13 WBC; Electoral Registration update

APPENDIX 2

**WINNERSH PARISH COUNCIL
BUDGET SUMMARY 2015/16
Resolved at Full Council Meeting
held on 10th February 2015**

	2015/16 £	2014/15 £
Expenditure excluding Capital/Special Projects	125,567	122,017
Income excluding Precept	54,400	51,140
Excess of Expenditure over Income	71,167	70,877
Contingency	35,000	35,000
Balance Brought Forward	66,000	45,000
Balance to be Funded	40,167	60,877
Capital / Special Projects (see below)	49,900	35,000
Other Projects	20,810	15,000
Council Tax Support Scheme grant	3,076	3,076
Total for Funding by Precept	107,801	107,801
<i>Change from Previous Year [incl grant 0%]</i>	<i>0%</i>	<i>+3.1%</i>
<i>Tax Base (nominal number of Band D properties)</i>	<i>3,800.7</i>	<i>3,800.7</i>
Council Tax Charge for Band D Property	28.36	28.36
<i>Change from Previous Year</i>	<i>0%</i>	<i>+1.5%</i>
CAPITAL / SPECIAL PROJECTS		
F&GP		
Winnersh Matters newsletter	1,000	
Winnersh Parish Fete	3,500	
Miscellaneous	500	
Total	5,000	5,000
Planning		
Tree husbandry / replacement	2,000	
Miscellaneous	200	
Total	2,200	2,200
R&A		
Pavilion & upstairs scheduled redecoration	5,000	
Play area repairs	2,000	
Kitchen area & lobby upgrade	5,000	
New office window	2,500	
Replacement benches on Recreation Ground	1,700	
Car park improvements	5,000	
Christmas Lights event	500	
Replacement of flat roofs [Reserved]	19,000	
Miscellaneous	2,000	
Total	42,700	27,800
Total Capital / Special Projects	49,900	35,000