

## WINGERWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6 November 2013

Present:

Cllr Pat Antcliff	Cllr Stuart Ellis
Cllr Colin Berry	Cllr Brian Flude
Cllr Kevin Broughton	Cllr Cecilia Harper
Cllr Vince Causey	Cllr Chris Hutchings
Cllr Lindsey Edwards	Cllr Peter O'Neill.
	with Mike Taylor (Clerk)

#### 134 Apologies for Absence

There were apologies for absence from Cllr Dawn Hart, Cllr Anne Knyhynyckyj and Cllr Pam Robinson.

#### 135 Variation of Order of Business

There was an agreed variation of order of business to allow for item 7.a.2 to be brought forward so as to allow Catherine Fleming of Derbyshire County Council to leave the meeting as early as possible

#### 136 Declarations of Members' Interest

There were no declarations of interest other than those recorded with NEDDC's Elections Office apart from a declaration from Cllr Pat Antcliff in respect of Planning matters

#### 137 Public Forum

County Councillor Barry Lewis had tendered apologies at being unable to attend the meeting.

PCSO Mike Coates had tendered apologies for absence although he had submitted a short report on the situation concerning parking at the beginning and end of the school day at the Deer Park School. The Clerk had been forwarded details of the policing priorities for the broader rural area of the district.

A parishioner raised questions about implications of The Avenue development for the football pitches used by Wingerworth Junior Sports Association. The Chairwoman explained that it appeared that the pitches were not part of the The Avenue proposals although they had featured in the adjacent major development proposed by Taylor Wimpy. It was understood that the lease arrangements and conditions meant it was unlikely that Taylor Wimpy would be developing on the sports fields although it was important to check when planning applications were submitted.

A parishioner asked about the response to earlier concerns raised about the use of chemicals at the Lido and the Clerk stated that he had received confirmation from District Council that the blue dye posed no dangers in any way and that this view was supported by the Environment Agency.

A parishioner commented on some minor improvements following the concerns he raised at an earlier meeting of the Council in connection with the unkempt nature of the village. However there was still a need for more work including at the Setts Path and with overgrown hedges in a number of places. The danger posed by the overgrown vegetation where a footpath exited abruptly onto a busy road near the bottom of Bole Hill was again highlighted and the Clerk was asked to register this concern once again with the County Council.

#### 138 Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meetings

The minutes of the meeting on 2 October 2013 were confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

#### 139 Chairperson's Announcements

Cllr Diana Ruff reported on a relatively quiet month during which time she had received complaints about an overgrown hedge and dog fouling. Meetings had included one to examine the boundaries of Parish Council land at Allendale, a meeting of the Floral Group with a site meeting at Adlington, a meeting to look into fund raising possibilities for a new build Parish Hall, a meeting of the Standards Committee to look at Council policies and the District Council's Parish Liaison Meeting which had included a presentation from the Police and Crime Commissioner and shorter presentations on insurance matters, planning and progress with the Local Plan. In addition there had been the recent special meeting concerned with The Avenue.

#### 140 Clerk's Report

a) Matters of Information

External Audit report on the Council's accounts for 2012/13 – the Clerk referred to the pre-circulated documents which included a clean bill of health from the external auditors for the Council's financial affairs for the financial year ending 31 March 2013.

1. Derbyshire County Council – the Chairwoman introduced Sarah Morris and Catherine Fleming who gave a presentation on the feasibility study carried out to look at what was possible in terms of a new build for the Parish Hall.

Ms Fleming summarised the brief to which she was working and outlined the land off Allendale Road that was owned by the Council with details of areas where the ground was likely to be suitable for a building. Taking into account issues such as access to the site, connections for infrastructure and the creation of a community hub it seemed that the best location was closer to the road that had been originally envisaged.

She then went on to present a more detailed but still outline plan of a building that amounted to 650 square metres in area. This included a main hall and a smaller hall as well as a café and three small offices/meeting rooms, a reception area and toilets including a disabled facility and a baby changing room. There was also provision for a library and a nursery,

Advice from the County Council's Estates colleagues indicated that likely value of the eventually vacated current site could be up to £350,000 if planning permission was granted for two three bedroom semi-detached residences and two four bedroom detached houses.

The costs of the new build, if built on one operation, would be in the region of £1.6 million but if restricted to a first phase of the main parish facilities this would reduce to £1.25 million.

Thereafter there could be two additional phases with the library at £350,000 and the nursery at £400,000.

2. NEDDC – Letter of reply from Chief Executive to planning concerns raised
3. NEDDC – Reply from Planning about HMO (House in Multiple Occupation)
4. NEDDC – Review of Polling Stations
5. The Avenue – Stakeholder Communications Update
6. DCC Countryside Service – Response to concerns about Footpath 14
7. DCC Countryside Service – Response to concerns about cattle grids
8. DCC PROW Officer – Notice of serving notice regarding Footpath 14
9. Parishioner – Concern about lack of reply from Council
10. Ashgate Hospice – Raising awareness of local hospice
11. NEDDC – Publicity for “16 Gems” Audio Trails
12. NEDDC – Thanks for donation to Chair's Appeal 2013/14

The rest of the information items were noted.

b) Items for Decision

1. Way to proceed with new build proposals – it was agreed that the County Council continue to work on the feasibility study results through further consultations with planners and other interested parties while the Council would consider the study in more detail and look at funding possibilities
2. Floral displays over the next year – it was agreed to proceed with Woolley Moor Nurseries with an autumn floral arrangement at the Parish Hall, the establishment of a ground display at Adlington and the expansion of the floral display for 2014 by new displays at some of the entrance points to the parish
3. Christmas Tree – arrangements for 2013 – it was agreed to switch from NEDDC to Woolley Moor Nurseries for the supply, erection, decking and eventual removal of a Christmas tree at the Parish Hall with the Council purchasing the lights for the tree
4. Updating Council policies – it was agreed to accept the recommended changes by the Standards Committee in the Complaints Procedure (the deletion of reference to the Local Government Ombudsman) and the Anti-Social Behaviour Policy (the replacement of Safer Neighbourhood Team with Safer Neighbourhood Partnerships, relevant authorities and partners) – it was also agreed to accept without any changes the existing policies on Crime & Disorder, Equity, Co-options, Developments and Memorials

5. Request for a memorial at the Wall Pond – after a discussion on a request for a memorial at the Wall Pond it was the decision of the Council that a plaque could be placed on or alongside a tree in the area (in keeping with the Council’s policy)
6. Purchase of grit from DCC and DCC supplier – it was agreed to purchase 5 tonnes of grit from DCC in the form of a bulk load and to purchase two pallets of grit bags to go alongside the pallet provided by DCC through an approved supplier
7. Project to clean and tidy up Setts Path – it was agreed that the Clerk confirm that the County Council proceed to liaise with the community group over work at the Setts Path with the Parish Council paying the costs of skips and the temporary toilet facilities
8. Change of name for Council’s website – it was agreed that the name be changed from www.wingerworth.org.uk to www.wingerworth.gov.uk if this could be achieved by the webmaster for no or minimal cost
9. Request for a link for Chapel Players on Council’s website – it was agreed that a link be placed on the site subject to the organisation being a community group

#### 141 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

##### a) Circulars

1. 19/2013 – Neighbourhood Plans; Derbyshire Sport; update on pensions; Sustainable Communities Act; DCLG guide to community rights; National Minimum Wage
2. 20/2013 – Revised model standing orders; revised legal topic notes; NALC policy consultation

The circular was noted

##### b) Other Matters - There were no other matters

#### 142 Planning Matters

##### a) Applications

1300874	7 Speighthill Crescent	Single storey extension
1300662	50 Nethermoor Road	Discharging of Conditions
1300933	12 Swathwick Lane	Two bay windows and change turn space
1300914	11 Pear Tree Avenue	Side ext over garage and new garage
1300993	Hunloke Park Primary School	Erection of a gazebo type shelter
1300882	34 Adlington Avenue	Retention of boundary fence
1300987	Mill Lane	Demolition of buildings and offices at CPL
1300976	28 Woodview Close	Two storey side ext + one storey front/rear

The applications were noted.

##### b) Decisions

1300809	CA	Land btw Stable Yard and Lodge Dr	Felling of Ash tree and pruning of two trees
1300818	CA	26 Davids Drive	Two storey side extension for lift n access
1300826	CA	Land btw Stable Yard and Lodge Dr	New detached house and garages
1300814	CA	Swathwick Cottage, Swathwick Lane	Erection of tractor and implement store
1300837	CA	94 Davids Drive	Rear extension

CA = Conditionally Approved PD = Permitted Development

The decisions were noted.

#### 143 Accounts and Finance

##### a) Receipts and Payments – the payments for September 2013 were detailed.

Date	Reference	Payee	Amount	Detail
04-Sep-13	5707	Town & Country UK C Co	26.04	Window Cleaning at PH
04-Sep-13	5708	TL Killis & Sons Ltd	69.28	Floor Varnish Main Hall
04-Sep-13	5709	PA Wibberley Ltd	851.00	Work to Stage, Roof, Library
04-Sep-13	5710	British Gas Services	440.25	Annual Service Contract
04-Sep-13	5711	Arden Winch & Co Ltd	13.44	Cleaning Materials
04-Sep-13	5712	Cllr Cecilia Harper	14.20	Sheffield Expenses (x3)
04-Sep-13	5713	Paul Smart	871.20	Grounds Maintenance
04-Sep-13	5714	PA Wibberley Ltd	410.00	Cricket Pav Roof and MH
09-Sep-13	5715	Mrs V Gorman	200.00	Refund of Deposit

22-Sep-13	5716	PHS Group plc	83.94	Waste Transfer Note
22-Sep-13	5717	Alfred Jones Ltd	10.00	Fuel for Churchyard
22-Sep-13	5718	Currrys/PC World	296.95	Inkjet Printer + Cartridges
22-Sep-13	5719	Town & Country UK C Co	26.04	Window Cleaning at PH
22-Sep-13	5720	Abel Alarm Company	758.10	Annual Service Contract
22-Sep-13	5721	Initial Facilities Water Services	165.20	Watersafe Parish Hall
22-Sep-13	5722	Initial Facilities Water Services	283.75	Watersafe Cricket Pavilion
22-Sep-13	5723	John Barnes	1,486.03	Annual Electrical Work
22-Sep-13	5724	NEDDC	50.00	Donation - Chair's Charity
22-Sep-13	5725	Ms Caroline Cole	200.00	Refund of Deposit
30-Sep-13	DD	AOL Services	23.28	Internet Services
30-Sep-13	5679	David Robins	406.60	Maint of Bowling Green
30-Sep-13	DD	British Gas	193.56	Electricity to Parish Hall
30-Sep-13	DD	British Gas	22.79	Electricity to Pavilion
30-Sep-13	CHG	Royal Bank of Scotland	23.96	Bank Charges
30-Sep-13	SO	NEDDC	7,000.00	Staff Salaries and Costs
		Total for the Month	13,925.61	

- b) Profiled Budgets as at the end of September 2013
- c) Capital Reserves as at the end of September 2013
- d) Bank Statements and Reconciliation as at the end of September 2013

The receipts and payments for September 2013 had been circulated and were approved. It was agreed that £120,000 of the capital reserves be ring-fenced for any new build decision taken by the Council. The profiled budgets and the bank statement and reconciliation were all noted.

#### 144 Items for Information

Cllr Colin Berry reported on the recent meeting of the Angling Association where there were no issues about the blue dye used at the Lido but there were concerns about the state of the willow tree at the Wall Pond.

Cllr Chris Hutchings reported on the recent meeting of the Church yard Committee where everything seem to be satisfactory. The Church was planning for more infilling to level the ground and to clean the paths. One issue raised was the way forward when at some stage in the future there was no room for more burial plots.

Cllr Vince Causey reported on a very successful Race Night event at the Parish Hall to raise funds for the Tennis Club.

Cllr Stuart Ellis reported on the latest stage of reorganisation at District Council where the number of joint directors was being reduced from four to two. The most significant matter at the County Council was the need to find £157 million in savings over the next five years which was a particularly challenging demand given that the previous administration had already had to impose cuts amount to £80 million.

#### 145 Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next monthly meeting was scheduled to take place on Wednesday 4 December 2013 and Members were reminded of the annual budget meeting on Wednesday 11 December.

The Chairwoman thanked everyone for their contributions and declared the meeting closed at 9.10pm.