

Wingerworth Parish Council

Minutes of meeting of Council on 14 October 2015

Present:

P	Cllr Diana Ruff (Chair)	P	Cllr Cecilia Harper
A	Cllr Dawn Hart (Vice Chair)	P	Cllr Chris Hutchings
P	Cllr Pat Antcliff	P	Cllr Anne Knyhynyckyj
P	Cllr Colin Berry	A	Cllr Linda Myronko
P	Cllr Kevin Broughton	P	Cllr Pam Robinson
P	Cllr Stuart Ellis	P	Mike Taylor

1. Apologies for absence were received from two Members as above and from Cllr Barry Lewis (DCC).
2. Variation of order of business – no request.
3. Declaration of interests – Cllr Pat Antcliff in respect of agenda items 10 and 11.
4. Public forum

PCSO Mike Coates presented a report relating to the slightly longer period since the last meeting of the Council and detailed 13 crimes – three assaults of varying types, three thefts from motor vehicles, three other thefts, three burglaries and one possession of illegal substance. In addition there were seven reports of anti-social behaviour all of which were around the Allendale Road shops. He confirmed that the speed gun was in regular use in local parishes and expressed interest in the possibility of being involved in more talks to children at local junior schools on the theme of social responsibility.

Concerns were raised about the possibility of a planning application for 120 homes along Swathwick Lane and appreciation was expressed for the Council's opposition to such a development. There was a complaint about an overgrown bush on Allendale Road in front of the shops which was blocking the pavement and which made it difficult for cars exiting the parking area at the shops. Concerns were expressed about the safety and security at the new medical centre relating both to the construction cabins and the site. There was a query about the availability of the business plan for the new Parish Hall – a draft edition would be available at the following week's public consultation event – and the other sites considered for the location – which were on different sections of the same area.

5. Confirmation of previous minutes – the previous minutes were approved.
6. Chair's announcements

The Chair reported on meetings with the Community Association about changes to arrangements at the Christmas event at the Parish Hall, with a planning officer about the proposed new Parish Hall, the Standards Committee, the Friends of Wingerworth Parks, the Adlington Focus Group and regular users of the Parish Hall in a consultation exercise running over three nights.

Cllr Ruff was due to attend a meeting about funding available for events to commemorate the First World War and mentioned an invitation to Councillors to attend the Remembrance Service at the Parish Church on 8 November. She hoped Councillors

would be able to help at the Craft Fair on 7 November and at the Alternative Christmas Tree Festival.

7. Clerk's report – the following items of information were noted:
 1. Joint ITC Services – Notification of new address – 3a Spindle Drive, Wingerworth
 2. NED Community Sports Trust – Harriet Flint covering as Village Games Officer
 3. Taylor Wimpey – notification of two planning applications – detailed application for 105 homes and outline application for a further 136 homes and a retail unit on land adjacent to Derby Road
 4. Community Rights Programme – Award of grant of £3,980
 5. Royal Bank of Scotland – FSCS deposit protection limit changing
 6. Edinburgh Shop – request for a sign on Langer Lane
 7. Parishioner – suggested scheme for Island Pond.

8. Clerk's report – the following resolutions were made:
 1. NEDDC – donation requested for Chair's Annual Appeal for Chesterfield Royal Hospital Charity – agreed to donate £50
 2. NEDDC – Statement of Principles made under the Gambling Act 2005 – opportunity to comment – no comments to forward
 3. CCAA – Retirement of Bailiff – agreed to offer help to CCAA by way of advertising for a new volunteer following decision of John Banner to retire in the Spring – appreciation expressed for Mr Banner's excellent work in the role
 4. Supply, erection, decking, removal and responsible recycling of the Parish Christmas Tree – agreed to place order for a similar specification and price as 2014
 5. Risk assessment for the Parish Hall – agreed that order be placed for a risk assessment to be completed by a competent person at an estimated cost of £350

9. Derbyshire Association of Local Councils – the following items were noted:
 1. Circular 21 – General
 2. Circular 22 – Training
 3. Circular 23 – General

10. Planning applications – the applications were noted.

11. Planning decisions – the decisions were noted.

Accounts – receipts and profiled budgets noted were noted and the following payments were approved:

Date	Reference	Payee	Amount	Detail
01-Aug-15	6117	NEDDC	1,246.75	Servicing of dog bins
17-Aug-15	6118	NEDDC	174.65	Repairs to swing Adlingtm
17-Aug-15	6119	Paul Smart	1,756.80	Grounds maintenance
17-Aug-15	6120	S Johnson & Son Ltd	31.01	Environment items
17-Aug-15	6121	Prestige Street Furniture	310.80	Repairs to bus shelter
17-Aug-15	6122	Heron Publications Ltd	144.00	Council page in Wings
17-Aug-15	6123	Eurogarages Ltd	6.01	Fuel for footpaths
17-Aug-15	6124	Wingerworth Tyres Ltd	8.00	Tyre for footpaths
17-Aug-15	6125	Costco Ltd	15.59	Keyboard for computer
17-Aug-15	6126	Blakemore Retail	10.00	Fuel for Churchyard
17-Aug-15	6127	Post Office	117.00	Postage stamps

17-Aug-15	6128	Eurooffice	35.73	Paper and dividers
17-Aug-15	6129	Dunston Garden Centre	35.75	Items for footpaths
31-Aug-15	DD	British Gas Business	924.44	Supply of gas Parish Hall
31-Aug-15	DD	British Gas Business	122.92	Supply of gas to Pavilion
31-Aug-15	DD	Royal Bank of Scotland	19.90	Bank charges
31-Aug-15	SO	NEDDC	7,650.00	Salaries and expenses
31-Aug-15	DD	British Gas Business	16.40	Supply of Elec Pavilion
31-Aug-15	DD	British Gas Business	165.19	Supply of elec Parish Hall
			12,790.94	

The Clerk alerted Councillors to some monies that had been mistakenly transferred by BACS to the Council's bank account and which would have to be returned. It was agreed that special lines in the accounts be created to clearly show the transactions which would balance out but which would provide a clear audit trail.

12. Finance – the bank reconciliation and balances were noted. The Clerk reminded Councillors that a sum of £8,000 had been transferred from reserves to the recurrent accounts as agreed by Council for the current financial year to guard against a projected shortfall in income against expenditure. It was agreed that this sum would be better returned to reserves but ring fenced in readiness for use if necessary.

13. Reports from Council committee and advisory groups

Cllr Kevin Broughton congratulated the Footpaths Volunteers on their continuing excellent work after a recent meeting of the Footpaths Group when there were a number of matters in need of attention including action to address the excessive amount of dog fouling on and around the footpath across from the Barley Mow.

Cllr Anne Knyhynyckyj reported on good progress with Café WY both in terms of young people, with 44 on one occasion, and new volunteers. There was a need to check with the Church over invoicing for the use of their premises.

Cllr Colin Berry raised concerns over the way emptied bins were left blocking the narrow pavements as on Nottingham Drive.

14. Date of next meeting – Wednesday 4 November 2015 commencing with a meeting of the Wingerworth Safer Neighbourhood Team.

The Chair recorded thanks for members of the public who attended the meeting and announced that members of the public were excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

15. An exempt item concerning the proposed new parish hall

There was a brief update on the results of the consultation meetings to date and a meeting with Sport England. A draft business plan had been prepared by the Clerk and was tabled. It was agreed that this draft be available for inspection at the following week's public consultation meeting and that the document be considered in more detail at the next meeting of the Council.

The Chair thanked everybody present and closed the meeting at 8.22pm.