

WINGERWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6 June 2007

Present:

	Cllr Mrs A Sainty (Chairperson)	
Cllr T Snowdon (Vice Chairperson)		Cllr J Ollis
Cllr SJ Ellis		Cllr W Pickford
Cllr Ron Lewin		Cllr Mrs M Parker
Cllr Mrs Anne Knyhynyckyj (<i>from 118/2007</i>)		Cllr Michael Prout
Cllr K Moore (<i>from 116/2007</i>)		Cllr Mrs Jan Robinson
Cllr PW O'Neill (<i>left during 122/2007</i>)		with Mike Taylor (Clerk)

113/2007 Apologies for Absence

There were apologies for absence from Cllrs T Fisher and CE Hutchings.

114/2007 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting held on on Wednesday 16 May 2007 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

115/2007 Matters Arising

Further to minute 093/2007 it was reported that Mr K Karim had not received a letter in response to his expression of interest in being co-opted on to the Council. The Clerk confirmed that a letter had been sent and undertook to send a copy of the letter to Mr Karim.

116/2007 Public Forum

Concerns were raised about the failure to repair the damaged wall at the Edinburgh Court shopping complex and the difficulty in crossing the road at the end of Welbeck Drive where the surface had been lowered. The Clerk confirmed that he had requested the family owing the shopping complex to repair the wall. There were also concerns about the possible implications and consequences of the large area of land around Langer Lane being placed on the market. It was confirmed that this land was classified as green belt so that there was little likelihood of any significant development in the foreseeable future. The guide price for the land was at a level for agricultural land which suggested that there was no prospect of any major development and in any case the Council would be alerted to any application. To date there were no such applications. Concern was also raised over the continued problems posed by fly-tipping and off-road trial bikes.

Resolved: that the Clerk writes to District Council to impress on them that the Parish Council requires as early a notification as possible about any planning application relating to green belt land in the Parish.

117/2007 Police Matters

PCSO Janis Naylor had tendered her apologies for being unable to attend the meeting. She had been in contact with the Chairperson over proposals to run a Games Zone for young people in Wingerworth in the period late July through August and there was some discussion on this proposal including the need for improved publicity of the activities. The Clerk reported that Inspector Bates was attempting to regularise the reporting of crime statistics to the Council. He also reported on one crime statistic which was a burglary at the Parish Hall when the coin box phone had been stolen and when there was damage to doors and the phone connection.

Resolved: that the Clerk be authorised to support the Game Zone activities for young people in Wingerworth with a payment of £150.

118/2007 Consideration of Planning Applications and Related Matters

Members on the District Council's Planning Committee did not participate in this section of the meeting other than to provide some information on procedural matters at District Council.

The following planning applications were reported:

265	8 Central Drive	New Dwelling (Revised)
478	41 Joseph Fletcher Drive	Erection of Garage to Front
494	Northmoor House, Martins Lane	Erection of Garage
522	259 Nethermoor Road	Loft Convers'n - Two Bedrooms
578	Stubbing Court, Stubbing	Seven Residential Units ...
585	Stubbing Court, Stubbing	Listed Building Consent
587	19 New Road	Dwelling and Other Buildings
533	Elsway, 76A New Road	Gabled Front Extension plus
594	22 Robincroft Road	Conservatory to Rear
542	Two Fixed Jumbrellas	The Smithy Pond, Nethermoor Rd
560	12m Telecommunicatons Mast	Jnct Martins Lane and Derby Rd
6321	Field 3081, Swathwick Lane	New Access to Field 2932
601	Carr House Farm, Birkin Lane	Conversion of Barn to Residence
618	29 Hazel Drive	Two Storey Side Extension Plus
624	78 Longedge Lane	Two Storey Side Extension Plus

Questions were raised about applications 6321, 624 and 578/585. Concern was expressed about the implications of the application 587 being granted, and it was agreed to object to application 560.

Resolved: that the Clerk requests further details on applications 6321, 624 and 578/585; that the Clerk contacts District Council over its objections to applications 587 and 560.

The following planning decisions were reported:

184	G	34 Harehill Crescent	First Floor Ext and Porch
185	G	17 Central Drive	Rear Conservatory
230	G	96 Nottingham Drive	Two Storey Extension plus ...
244	G	43 Ridd Way	Conservatory to Front
252	G	25 Oak Crescent	Single Storey Side Extension
300	G	30 Nottingham Drive	Conservatory to Rear
310	G	3 Robincroft Road	Conservatory to Rear
311	G	27 Longedge Lane	Replacement Utility Room Roof
320	R	The Old Woodhouse, Middle Rd, HW	Conservatory to SW Elevation
360	G	59 Davids Drive	Extension to Rear
399	G	Brooklands, Birkin Lane	One Storey Side Extension
1488	G	157 Longedge Lane	First Floor Ext and Garage
460	G	165 Longedge Lane	Extension to Conservatory
370	R	84 Longedge Lane	Erection of Bungalow plus ...

G=Granted R=Refused W=Withdrawn

The decisions were noted

The following planning appeals decision was reported as having been refused:

921	R	27 Nottingham Drive	Two Storey Front Extension
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The appeal decision was noted and Members were alerted to the reasons for the refusing the appeal.

119/2007 Accounts

The Clerk presented details of income received and payments made in April 2007 and details of income and expenditure to the end of April 2007 against a phased budget. A query on VAT was noted.

Resolved: that the accounts be approved and that the phased budget report be received and noted.

120/2007 Finance

The Clerk submitted bank reconciliations as at the end of April 2007.

Resolved: that the report be received and noted.

121/2007 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

- Circular 13/2007 – Satellite Navigation Systems
- Circular 14/2007 – Election for Executive Committee 2007-2011
- Circular 15/2007 – Training

The circulars were noted.

122/2007 Correspondence

The Clerk reported on correspondence received during the past month:

- Parish
 - Mrs ME Moseley – Need for Pavement on Birkin Lane
 - Tree Warden – Report on Trees in Parish

The correspondence was noted..

- District
 - NEDDC – Report on Parish and Town Councils' Day
 - NEDDC – Sale of Land to Derbyshire County Council
 - NEDDC – Big Lottery Fund
 - Clay Cross Community Police Consultative Group – Meeting on 18 July 2007
 - NEDDC – Second Major Event for Parish and Town Councils – Monday 25 June 2007

It was agreed that the Chairperson, the Vice Chairperson and the Clerk should attend the Second Event evening. The rest of the correspondence was noted.

- County
 - DCC – Various Highway Matters
 - DCC – Proposed Stopping up of Footpath 18 and Footpath 4 (part)
 - DCC – Temporary Closure of Watson Lane
 - DCC – Proposed Remediation On-Site at Former Avenue Coking Plant

It was agreed that the Clerk forward the copious consultation documentation on to the Campaign Group. The rest of the correspondence was noted.

- Other
 - Wheeldon Homes – Various Matters on Wingerworth Development
 - DRCC – Plans Conference – Saturday 23 June 2007
 - Derbyshire Constabulary – Updating of Contacts

There was some discussion of the Wheeldon Homes development including the road traffic problems caused by excessive parking on Allendale Road near Oak Crescent and the early start on Saturday mornings when there was a lot of noise before 7am. The rest of the correspondence was noted.

Resolved: that the Clerk seeks clarification on restrictions over weekend working at development sites.

123/2007 Reports from Committees and Representatives

Members were invited to put their names forward for the Council's Listening Service. Cllr K Moore reported that he had been informed of the next meeting of the Bowling Club's Committee.

Cllr W Pickford had been in contact with the Allotments Holders' Association. The Chairperson reported on the meeting of the Finance Committee when it had been agreed to forward a final draft of an agreement to the Tennis Club. Consideration had also been given to ways of meeting the County Council's requirement of tenure in connection with a grant application from the New Road Nursery.

124/2007 Chairperson's Business

There was no Chairperson's business.

125/2007 Date of Next Meeting

The Chair confirmed the date of the next meeting of the Council as Wednesday 4 July 2007.

126/2007 Provision of GP Services in Wingerworth

The Clerk conveyed an apology from the PCT's Director of Communications and Infomatics for not having replied to the Council's request for details on the consultation process. This had been due to the original letter being filed with the consultation responses which were due to be considered at the Wingerworth Parish Council Minutes June 2007

end of the consultation period. There was a discussion on ways of continuing the campaign against the proposed closure of the New Road surgery following the Chairperson's letter in the Derbyshire Times and a statement in the forthcoming issue of Wings.

Resolved: that the Clerk continues to press for details from the PCT about the consultation process and any appeals process; that the Clerk seeks support from Natascha Engel in opposing the closure.

127/2007 Well Dressing

The Chairperson provided members with details of the proposed well dressing at the Council's sheepwash. It was a community endeavour featuring elements of Wingerworth in the design and was due to be blessed by the Rector at 10am on Saturday 4 August 2007. The Police had been consulted and intended to provide some traffic control cones and if not sufficient in number the Council would need to acquire more. It had been suggested that the Parish Hall could be open on the day of the blessing to provide tea and coffee for visitors. Members welcomed the initiative and hoped that it would become an annual event.

Resolved: that the Clerk be authorised to provide a sum of £200 to support the well dressing; that the Clerk arranges for the plaque at the sheepwash to be cleaned.

128/2007 Development of a Local Plan

The Clerk reported on the District Council's corporate planning process and the Chairperson informed Members of a series of Local Development Framework Workshops including one at Coney Green on Tuesday 12 June 2007. The Derbyshire Rural Community Council was holding a Parish Plans Conference on Saturday 23 June 2007 at Crich and it was agreed that the Vice Chairperson would attend together with Cllrs Mrs Anne Knyhynyckyj, Mrs Margaret Parker and Mrs Jan Robinson.

Resolved: that the Clerk informs DRCC of the Council's delegation to the Parish Plans Conference.

129/2007 Expenditure

For various reasons most of the requests for expenditure were deferred. A question was raised about the provision of play facilities for Adlington.

Resolved: that the Clerk arranges for the cutting back of the hedge at the Parish Hall at an estimated cost of £260 in readiness for the re-surfacing of the car park.

130/2007 Donations

Members considered requests for support from Derbyshire Coalition for Inclusive Living and Vitalise

Resolved: that the Clerk arranges for the donation of the requested £30 to Derbyshire Coalition for Inclusive Living; that the Clerk seeks further information about the extent to which the activities of Vitalise benefited parishioners.

131/2007 Any Other Business

Concern was expressed over the apparent poor quality of work currently underway to fill in pot holes on Windsor Drive, Walton Way and a section of Davids Drive – the Clerk agreed to convey these concerns to the County Council. It was suggested that the Council adopt a process for co-options and it was agreed that the Standing Orders Committee be convened to consider the matter. Questions were raised about the future allocation of the cricket field and football pitches – the Clerk would continue to seek information on applications from District Council.

The Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 9.05pm.