

WINTERTON ON SEA PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 20th JANUARY 2011
AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

MINUTES

Present: Cllr M Blake - Chairman
Cllr L Sharples
Cllr J Simms
Cllr K Harrison
Clerk - Ms G Lack

Cllr D Jones
Cllr B Greenall
Cllr C Barlow
Cllr B Kay – Vice Chairman

Nine residents were welcomed to the meeting and it was stated that the meeting was held in accordance with the Parish Council Standing Orders and Code of Conduct.

Cllr Blake apologised for cancelling the December 2010 meeting due to adverse weather conditions.

1. **To consider apologies:** None received.
2. **Declarations of interest:** Cllrs Jones and Barlow declared a personal interest in the Village Hall. Cllr Jones declared a personal interest in In Bloom.

3. Public discussion:

Concern was expressed about the lack of information regarding the road works on Black Street and Cllr Blake informed the meeting that notice had been received from the Council around Christmas and that a public notice had been displayed in the village. However, the work hadn't started on time but no notification had been received regarding the delay. Eventually very late notification was received that the work would commence on January 17th. Cllr Weymouth noted that the shortage of staff at NCC and the very bad weather had probably caused the delay and the lack of notification regarding the work. Cllr Blake noted that First Bus had not initially been informed about the road closures but that the company had now agreed to a "hail and ride" option on Somerton Road and Bulmer Lane as an interim measure provided that it was safe for the driver to stop and pick up passengers. It was noted, however, that the bus used to come into the village and turn round and Cllr Blake agreed to follow this up. Cllr Blake informed the meeting that the next stage of the works would be in Winmer Avenue which would result in the road being closed at the Black Street end.

It was noted that hanging branches in the Holway had been cut back by Hermanus and that hopefully the remaining debris would be cleared away.

It was also noted that there was, again, an increase in dog fouling in the village and Cllr Blake confirmed that, based on firm evidence, offenders would be prosecuted.

4. **To receive a report from the County/Borough Councillors:**
Cllr Weymouth noted that there had been an increase in oil theft in Hemsby and that warning notices had been given to residents by the PCSO in this village. Cllr Weymouth agreed to provide Cllr Blake with a copy so that Winterton residents could also be warned and a reminder would be included in the newsletter. Cllr Blake noted that there had been one incident of oil theft in the village.
5. **To receive a report from the PCSO:** The PCSO was not present but Cllr Blake reported only one incident of criminal damage in the village:

6. **To agree the minutes of the previous meeting:** The minutes were confirmed as a true record of the meeting held in November 2010 and were duly signed by the Chairman.
7. **To report matters arising from the previous minutes;** for information only – nothing to report.
8. **To consider planning Applications and review planning permissions:**
 The following Planning Applications were considered:
06/10/0720/F. Refurbish and upgrade existing outbuilding Old Chapel Cottages, Old Chapel Road, Winterton. **The Council resolved to approve this application.**
06/10/0723/F Renewal of PP: 06/07/1064/F – new lantern-house structure to replace existing. The Lighthouse, Winterton. **The Council resolved to approve this application.**
06/10/0712/F. Revised design for conservatory previously approved. Swiss House, Bush Road, Winterton. **The Council resolved to approve this application.**
06/10/0774/F. Variation of Condition 2 of PP 06/06/0694/F. To allow construction of dormer/gables at rear of units 6,5,3,2 & 1. North Market Road (former Thermaglow Factory) Winterton. **The Council resolved to reject this application on the grounds that (i) the windows would overlook neighbouring properties and (ii) the proposed changes would not be in keeping with existing houses already built on the site.**
06/11/0010/F. Proposed positioning of heating oil tank. Seaview (adjacent) Bush Road, Winterton. It was noted that oil tanks have to be in sight line of oil tanker. **The Council resolved to approve this application.**

Planning Decisions

- 06/10/0574/F.** Single storey rear extension Burleigh House, Back Path, Winterton. **Permission granted by GYBC 8/11/10**
- 06/10/0504/F.** Proposed new dwelling and holiday cottage. The Fishermans Return Public House, The Lane, Winterton. **Permission granted by GYBC 4/11/10 with conditions.**
- 06/10/0558/F.** Erection of detached dwelling. 2 Hillside Cottages, North Market Road, Winterton. **Permission refused GYBC 12/11/10**
- 06/10/0607/F.** Construction of pitched roofs and hipped ends over existing flat roofs to front and rear extensions and replacement sectional concrete garage for existing timber garage. Primrose Cottage. **Permission granted by GYBC 15/12/10**
- 06/10/0617/F.** Siting of static caravan to act as a tea pavilion. Playing Field, Winterton. **Permission granted by GYBC 7/12/10 conditional upon exact position being specified**
- 06/10/0660/F.** Single storey rear extension. 39 Long Beach Estate, Winterton. **Permission granted by GYBC 22/12/10**
- 06/10/0558/F.** Erection of Detached Dwelling. 2 Hillside Cottages, North Market Road, Winterton. **Section 78 Appeal by Badger Building (East Anglia) Ltd.**
- 06/10/0656/F.** Amendments to previously approved application, 2 May Cottages, Back Road, Winterton. **Permission refused GYBC 17/12/10.**

9. Finance: To agree payments in accordance with the budget:

It was resolved to approve the following payments in accordance with the budget. It was noted that the first schedule of cheques had already been paid due to the cancellation of the December meeting and to maintain other essential services.

Date of Cheque	Cheque Number	Payable to	Details	Amount £
02/12/2010	500806	BT	Telephone	21.53
02/12/2010	500807	D Watson Contracting	Loam for playing field	76.00
09/12/2010	500808	HMR&C	Employers NI Nov salary	5.39
09/12/2010	500809	Staples	Filing cupboard, stationery, ink cartridges	515.50
09/12/2010	500810	GYBC	Newsletter Nov & Dec 10	188.00
09/12/2010	500811	G Lack	Salary Dec 10	493.69
09/12/2010	500812	P Lynham	Cleaning bus stop	40.00
09/12/2010	500813	K Brown	Cleaning bus stop	40.00
13/12/2010	500814	Society of Local Council Clerks	Annual Membership renewal	95.00
15/12/2010	500815	Ground Tidy	Hedge cutting	50.00
05/01/2011	500816	IES Ltd	Taps & isolators changing rooms	74.03
05/01/2011	500817	D Carver	Grass cutting 4 hours	24.00
05/01/2011	500818	BT	Telephone	21.15
05/01/2011	500819	cancelled		0.00
05/01/2011	500820	Essex & Suffolk Water	Water & Sewage Changing rooms	86.45
05/01/2011	500821	TRD Locksmith	Changing room door lock broken	105.00
		Total		1835.74

Date of Cheque	Cheque Number	Payable to	Details	Amount £
20/01/2011	500822	Ormesby Garden Machinery	Mower Service	83.82
20/01/2011	500823	IES Plumbing	Repair leaks changing room	62.28
20/01/2011	500824	GYBC	Newsletter December 10	103.00
20/01/2011	500825	A Tungate	Web hosting Freeola	29.36
20/01/2011	500826	cancelled		
20/01/2011	500827	Mrs P Carver	Beach cleaning 4 hours November 10	24.00
20/01/2011	500828	E-on	Electricity supply changing rooms	17.10
20/01/2011	500829	M Blake	Chairman's allowance	180.00
20/01/2011	500830	Winterton Parish Church	6 monthly charge	1250.00
20/01/2011	500831	G Lack	Salary January 2011	496.18
20/01/2011	500832	HM Revenue & Customs	NI December 2010	5.39
20/01/2011	500833	Mr K Brown	Bus shelter cleaning	40.00
20/01/2011	500834	Mr P Lynham	Bus shelter cleaning	40.00
		Total		2331.13

Income for December 2010 & January 2011	
Item	Amount
Greeting receipts for newsletter	66.00
Ad newsletter Mulberry & Ash	10.00
Alfotment money	597.45
Total	673.45

To receive a report and recommendations from the Finance Committee

- At a meeting on the 10th January it was noted that an unprecedented amount of money had been spent on repairing the burst pipes and the damage caused by the leaks in the changing rooms and that this money would be taken from reserves and not from the precept.
- It was also noted that the allotment committee had requested the council pay for the hire of the hall for a meeting to be held on the 27th January to discuss the increase in allotment charges and it had been agreed that the council would pay for 2 hours.

10. **To receive a report on Coastal Erosion:** Terry Byrne reported that the Coastwatch AGM had been held at the end of November and everyone on the committee had agreed to continue. It was noted that significant erosion had occurred over Christmas south of Winterton towards Hemsby but that Winterton had so far not been affected. He also noted that there had been a relaxation of planning laws in other counties to allow for property owners to move their property away from eroding cliff edges and encroaching shorelines.

11. **To receive a report on the Village Hall:** Mr Jones had nothing to report.

12 **To receive a report on the Parish Council surgery held last month:** Nothing to report since no parishioners had attended.

13 **To receive an update from the Councillors on their responsibilities:**

Cllr Barlow : Parish Church

Concern had been expressed about the amount of bird droppings in the Church tower and asked if anyone had any suggestions regarding bird deterrents. It was suggested that large, stuffed birds of prey sited in strategic positions had worked for other buildings and Cllr Jones agreed to follow this up.

A resident had expressed concern that teenagers were making a lot of noise at the bus stop and, in fact, were climbing onto the bus shelter in the early hours of the morning and the resident had requested advice. It was agreed that, in these circumstances, the police should be notified.

Cllr Harrison : Environment

Cllr Harrison stated that village composting may be resurrected and, if so, a note would be put in the newsletter.

Cllr Jones : Elderly

Again problems with cold calling were noted but in this case it was the Red Cross who, as a charity, were allowed to call up to 9.00 p.m. but that their staff had been instructed not to call in "No Cold Calling" zones. Cllr Weymouth agreed to follow this up with the Red Cross to ensure that their staff receives appropriate training.

It was noted that the Lunch Club meals had been increased and members would now have to pay £4.50.

Cllr Simms : Highways. Nothing to report.

Cllr Sharples : School

It was reported that there was still concern about the danger of children crossing the road outside the school and noted that, with government cutbacks, the council might now be allowed to have volunteers to see children across the road

although this had previously been refused. Cllr Weymouth agreed to take this up on Winterton's behalf as she was already doing so for another parish council.

Cllr Blake : Police/Playing field.

It was noted that there was nothing to report regarding the police.

Regarding the playing fields, it had already been noted that a large amount of money had been spent rectifying the burst pipes. In addition, a lot of mess had been caused by the flooding and a cleanup would have to be paid for. It was not yet known if any damage had been caused to the new flooring.

A resident had requested that the council support the introduction of a 20mph speed limit in the village. It was noted that only a 20mph "zone" could be introduced, which was not legally enforceable. Also, there was no history of serious accidents or fatalities in the village and requests for a 20mph zone had been rejected in the past. The council agreed not to follow this up but noted that residents were free to act on their own behalf if they wished.

Cllr Kay : Newsletter.

It was noted that £66 had been raised for the Xmas edition which was more than half the printing cost.

Cllr Greenall : Allotments.

It had already been noted that a meeting of allotment holders would be held on Thursday 27th January in the village hall.

14 Street Scene and Public Right of Way.

It was noted that NCC had sent out a questionnaire asking parish councils if they would take over the running of services such as gritting of footways; weed spraying, graffiti removal etc and Cllr Blake had attended a meeting with the council where this was discussed. The council resolved that it should not commit to anything other than the provision of grit bins and the clerk was instructed to send a formal reply to NCC to this effect. Cllr Barlow, in particular, felt that it was not appropriate to commit future parish council members to such tasks and Cllr Harrison noted that, in any case, a public meeting would have to be held if any such commitments were made in the future.

Cllr Blake reported that a letter had been written to NCC asking for permission to site 4 grit bins located as follows: (i) Market Place (ii) King Street (iii) Holway bottom of the hill and (iv) Holway at junction of Hillview Drive. A response had been received to the effect that, due to the cut backs, it might not be possible for GYBC to fill the grit bins when empty and therefore a decision would have to be deferred.

A letter had also been written requesting an alteration to the gritting route in the village to include Black Street, Beach Road, Kings Street and The Craft and a response was awaited.

15 Correspondence received.

Item 1 – Voluntary Section 53 – Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 - footpath in Bush Road. Response required by 14.1.11.

Item 3. Church Rooms rent will increase by £1 per hour and will be reviewed annually.

Item 4 – HM The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Beacons 4th June 2011. Planning meeting will be held on 27th January 2011. Cllrs Blake and Kay to attend.

Item 5. North Norfolk Local Development Framework: Site Specific Proposals Development Plan & Conversion & Re-use of Rural Buildings as Dwellings Policy.

Inspectors Reports and other documents available on www.northnorfolk.org/ldf.
Copies also in local libraries.

Item 6. Broads Authority Local Development Framework - public consultation. Cllr *Jermamy* referred to the Consultation Document which addressed, inter alia, how the authority should be made up and whether it should contain representatives from Parish Council. Comments were required by 28th January 2011.

Item 7. Sewer Flooding in the Borough. Meeting to be held with PC's and Anglia Water on 14.2.11. Cllr Barlow may be able to attend.

Item 10. Great Poppy Party Weekend – 90th birthday celebration 10-12 June 2011.

16 Items requiring attention/update.

Item 1. Overgrown hedge on corner of Somerton Road. Has been cut back and will be dealt with by "Winterton in Bloom" in the future

Item 2. Clarification about building in gardens. Letter sent to Charles Reynolds, Chairman GYBC still awaiting response. However, Cllr Jermamy noted that all applications were treated according to the relevant regulations regarding size of plot, location etc. He also suggested writing to Mr Warner, Head of Planning, for clarification if no response was received from Mr Reynolds.

Item 3. Posts in Holway not visible. Cllr Simms to follow up.

Item 4. Bin required by bus stop. Clerk has contact GYBC but no response. Cllr Weymouth suggested phoning Mr Peter Holland on 846846 and the clerk will follow this up.

Item 5. Playing field flooded and it was noted that Low Road was also badly affected, the problem being that the pipe from the ditch to the dyke going under Low Road was blocked. Cllr Blake reported that a letter had been sent to Mr Buxton at Burnley Hall who had stated that Low Road was not owned by the Burnley Hall Estate but Cllr Weymouth agreed to contact Mr Buxton again since the ditches were, in fact, the responsibility of the Estate who should make sure that they were kept clear and hence prevent flooding of the surrounding area. Cllr Weymouth also noted that she would be attending a meeting of the Internal Drainage Board and would report back to Cllr Blake. Cllr Blake noted that he had already contacted BT and the electricity supplier to clarify where their cables and pipes were located and how deep they were. The council expressed its thanks to Mr Trevor Jones for his help in trying to deal with this matter.

Item 6. Firework display on village hall green. Cllr Blake had sent a letter clarifying that permission should be sought from the parish council for any activities involving parish council land.

17 Next Parish Council Surgery, Saturday 22nd January 2011 at Village Hall. Cllrs Kay and Greenall to attend.

18 To receive items for the next agenda.

- To continue footpath on the Craft from George Beck Road as far as Bulmer Lane.
- Councillor vacancy.

11. Date of the next meeting: Thursday 17th February 2011 in the Village Hall from 7.30pm.