

**Minutes of a Meeting of Wrington Parish Council
held in the John Locke Room on Wednesday 20 January 2016**

Present: Cllr D Glynn (Chairman) Cllr B Taylor
 Cllr G Bigg Cllr J Fowler
 Cllr P Ledbury Cllr D Roberston
 Cllr D Simpson Ms Judith Bishop (Assistant Clerk)

In attendance: Mr Leo Taylor, Parish Liaison Officer, NSC

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1. To receive apologies for non-attendance and to approve the reasons where appropriate.
Apologies were received from Cllr Yamanaka (prior commitment), Cllr Woolf (personal commitment) and Cllr Rawlins (illness).
 2. To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) related to agenda items and to receive any amendments to the register of interests.
No declarations of interests were received.
 3. To confirm and sign as a true record the minutes of the meeting held 16 December 2015.
The minutes were signed as a true record.
 4. To adjourn the meeting for Public Participation.
There were no members of the public in attendance.
 5. To receive a report from the Police representative.
No police report had been received.
The issue of parked cars causing obstruction at the entrance to The Triangle, and then into Ladywell, was discussed. It was agreed to mention this in the Wrington Journal and to make PC Morris and the PCSO aware of the problem, asking them to issue advisory notes where appropriate.
 6. To note items of correspondence received and requiring possible action:
 - a. Letter from Carland Lai, Chief Executive Office, Royal Mail, responding to the Council's enquiry about potential relocation of the Broad Street post box.
This was noted. It was reported there would be a meeting shortly with Royal Mail to discuss possible locations for the new post box.
 - b. Letter from ALCA requesting possible nominations for a Royal Garden party at Buckingham Palace on Tuesday 10 May 2016.
Resolved: To nominate Roy and June Clements in recognition of his long service with the Council.
 - c. New Year's card and note from Jean-Paul Galonnier, Maire de Villeneuve-lès-Béziers.
This was noted.
 - d. Email from Mary Morris thanking the Council for its support in providing the Christmas Tree and lights on the green.
This was noted. Councillors thanked Cllr Glynn for his organisation of the installation of the Tree and lights and Cllr Rawlins for repairs to the lights.

7. To receive the Clerk's report.
The report was received and noted. In relation to the recent meeting with the Tennis Club, it was reported that the terms of proposed Licence were now under review.
8. To receive the Finance Report and to authorise payments recommended for approval.
Copies of the report circulated separately.
Approval for the following payments was sought:

Memorial Hall – grant, 4th quarter 2015/16	£3,000.00
Overstones Ltd – Repairs to roof of Broad Street toilets	£2,160.00
SSE Contracting Ltd – street lighting maintenance 3rd quarter 2015/16	£766.19
Bin-It – dog bin emptying 4 December –3 January	£269.04
North Somerset Council – Election Fees for May 2015	£200.78
Travis Perkins – hardware for maintenance by the handyman:-	
open spaces (£30.58), play areas (£61.04) and allotments (£7.92)	£99.54
X2Connect Ltd – paint and primer for telephone box refurbishment	£99.52
North Somerset Council – monthly inspection of play areas, December	£28.80
Greenslade Taylor Hunt - rent for Glebe Field, 4th quarter 2015/16 (paid)	£100.00
Charlie Griffin – Handyman, January	(to be calculated)
Debbie Heal – cleaning of Broad Street toilets, January	(to be calculated)
Parish Orderly's salary – January	£257.83
Clerk's salary – January	(to be calculated)
Clerk – travel to Regional Conference in Cheltenham	£49.95
Assistant Clerk's salary – January	(to be calculated)
Assistant Clerk – topping up of petty cash following purchases made:-	
stamps (£21.52), present for Parish Orderly (£5.68), printer cartridges (£23.80), notebook (£1.99), and picture frame (£36.95)	£89.94
Assistant Clerk – travel to noticeboards during 3rd quarter 2015/16	£6.75

Resolved: To approve the payments as proposed. Cllr Taylor proposed approval and Cllr Bigg seconded the motion, all in favour.

9. To receive and consider reports from:
- District Councillor, Cllr Yamanaka
The report, circulated previously, was noted. In relation to NSC budget cuts, it was reported that further information was being sought on the possible loss of concessionary fares on the Bristol Airport Flyer bus.
 - NE Ward/Redhill, Cllr Fowler
Cllr Fowler, on behalf of the Trustees of Redhill Village Hall, thanked the Council for payment of the 2015/16 grant. Cllr Fowler asked about other occasional payments received in the past and it was reported that these should be made again in the future following resolution of issues with the Parish Trust bank account. Cllr Fowler advised that the Trustees had now agreed to meet with the Council to discuss how the Council might assist Redhill Village Hall, with a meeting to be arranged.
 - Twinning Association, Cllr Rawlins
The minutes of the last meeting (18 December) had been circulated previously. No further report had been received.

- d. Wrington Sports & Social Club, Cllr Glynn/Cllr Woolf
Cllr Glynn reported there had been no meeting and future meetings would be bi-monthly, with the next one in February.
10. To receive and consider reports from Working Groups:
 - a. Finance, Cllr Rawlins
The report, circulated previously, was noted.
 - b. Environment, Cllr Bigg
No report had been received.
 - c. Highways, Cllr Ledbury
No report had been received.
 11. To consider the following recommendations by the Finance Group:
 - a. To agree to a request from Vine Counselling for grant support, with it recommended that a payment of £250 be made towards the cost for counselling sessions. 27% of clients are reported to have been from Wrington in the last 12 months.
Resolved: All agreed to make the payment as above but to ask Vine Counselling to provide a report on their activities at the end of the financial year.
 - b. To agree to purchase two more sets of Christmas Tree lights and new external sockets for the tree base and at the Plough at a budget cost of £250.
Resolved: All agreed to the purchase as above.
 - c. To agree to apply for permission for tree works at the rear of the Memorial Hall at an estimated cost of £300.
Resolved: All agreed to apply for permission as above.
 - d. To agree to purchase specialised paint and primer for refurbishing the phone boxes in Broad Street and Downside Road at a cost of £100 including delivery.
Resolved: All agreed to the purchase as above.

Cllr Robertson proposed approval of the above recommendations, with Cllr Bigg seconding the motion, all were in favour.

12. To confirm the proposed budget for the year 2016/17 and that the Precept should be set at £90,713, with North Somerset Council to be advised accordingly, and to note that the Council's Band D charge is again unchanged.
Cllr Ledbury proposed approval of the budget and Precept as above, with Cllr Simpson seconding the motion, all were in favour.
13. To agree that the Council will not opt out of external audit by the proposed sector led body (SLB), with this as recommended by NALC and the SLCC and with effect from the start of the year 2017/18.
Resolved: It was unanimously agreed not to opt out, with Cllr Ledbury proposing approval and Cllr Bigg seconding the motion.
14. To consider NSC's review of the 'Sustainability assessment of rural settlements' and the revised assessment for Wrington. While not a public consultation any comments on the draft assessment report have been requested to be submitted by 29 January 2016.
Cllr Glynn requested that Councillors submit any comments by 27 January and that the assessment should also be included on the agenda for the next Planning

Committee meeting (26 January).

15. To consider that, if invited, the Council should nominate a representative to attend meetings of the Wrington Vale Medical Practice 'Patient Participation Group' (PPG) on behalf of the Council and the community.

It was noted from the minutes of the PPG's last meeting that there appeared to be a high number of appointments not being met at the branch surgery. It was agreed to encourage residents to keep appointments by mentioning this in the Wrington Journal.

Resolved: It was unanimously agreed that, if the Council were invited, Cllr Bigg should be the representative, supported by Cllr Simpson in the event she is unable to attend a meeting.

16. To note that the Queen will celebrate her 90th birthday in June and to consider what events or activities might be arranged or promoted in the parish to recognise and support this.

Councillors discussed the 'Party in the Park', being arranged by WSSC, to be held in June on the Recreation Field. Various venue options for a beacon in April were discussed and it was agreed to pursue the possibility of two beacons.

Resolved: Cllr Fowler to discuss the possibility of a beacon in Redhill with the Trustees of Redhill Village Hall (possibly seeking support from Alvis Bros). The Clerk to contact the landowner adjacent to the Recreation Field about having a beacon on this land.

Mr Leo Taylor left the meeting.

17. To note that NSC has reached an agreement with the landowner in relation to Phase 2 of the Wrington flood relief scheme and that this should now progress to completion, with details of the works and timescale to be confirmed.

This was noted.

18. Consultations:

- West of England Joint Transport Study & Joint Spatial Plan
Details had been circulated previously. Cllr Glynn requested Councillors submit any comments to him by 26 January and that this should also be included on the agenda for the next Planning Committee meeting (26 January).

19. To receive matters for information and items for possible consideration at the next meeting of the Council to be held Wednesday 17 February 2016.

It was reported that a 'No Dogs' sign had been installed at Church Walk play area which was felt to be inappropriate in terms of position and size. It was agreed the sign should be inspected and relocated if practical.

No further matters were received.

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 9.00pm

Chairman