

WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 7 February 2011 at 7.05 pm
at the Council Chamber, Williton

Attendees:

Councillors	Woods (Chairman), Peeks, Chadwick, Saunders, Richards, Lapham, Hooper, Bigwood, Vaughan and James (left early)
SCC	Trollope-Bellew
WSDC	May and Davies
Avon and Somerset Constabulary	PCSO Middleton-Smith and PCSO Peter Bolton
Press	Mrs C Webb
Clerk	Mrs J Johnson-Smith
Public	Six members
Other	None

Apologies:

Councillors Lakin

10/154 **Apologies as noted above.**

10/155 **Declarations of Interest**

Name	Agenda Item	Interest	Action
Cllr Woods	10/157.5	Prejudicial	Left room
Cllr Peeks	10/162.2	Personal	None
Cllr Peeks	10/166	Personal	None

10/156 **Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 4 January 2011**

It was unanimously **resolved** to approve the minutes.

10/157 **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

10/157.1 (Item 10/140.1) Hinkley C Consultation There was no further update to report.

10/157.2 (Item 10/140.2) Response re overcrowding on the buses It was **resolved** to note the reply from First Buses. The Clerk advised that she had received a verbal response from Butlins who claimed that they were in constant communication with First who knew of their intake days. They agreed to send representatives to the bus stop at Taunton in half term to see the problems first hand.

10/157.3 (Item 10/140.3) Building to the Rear of the Free Press It was **resolved** to note that the Clerk would write to the Scotts with a copy of the correspondence.

10/157.4 (Item 10/140.4) Joint Partnership Working It was **resolved** to note the response from Old Cleeve Parish Council and to note that a response from Sampford Brett had still not been received.

10/157.5 (Item 10//141) Change of Opening Times of Police Station It was **resolved** to note the reply from Avon and Somerset Police.

10/157.6 (Item 10/143) Debris in river behind schools It was **resolved** to note the reply from the Quantock Federation and which was not considered helpful, and it was **resolved** to write to the Wyndham Estate to ask when the clearing work was likely to take place.

10/158 **Report from Avon and Somerset Constabulary**

PCSO Middleton-Smith advised that the skate ramp would be at Danesfield School again during half term. He advised that the response to Neighbourhood Watch had been disappointing and was hoping for more responses. He introduced PCSO Peter Bolton to the meeting who advised that he had come from Bridgwater and was working closely with the Hinkley C project and welcomed any feedback. Some members expressed concern on speeding at Long Street in the light of the recent fatal accident and it was suggested putting this matter on a future agenda.

10/159 **Report from Somerset County Councillor**

Cllr Trollope-Bellew commented on the budget cuts but advised that Williton would be keeping the Library although it may be relocated. When questioned he advised that monies from Iceland had not yet been recovered.

10/160 **Report from West Somerset District Councillors**

Cllr Davies reminded members there would be 3 days during the election period where no Councillor would be in office and the Chairman of the exiting Council would chair the first meeting of the new Council. In the light of the recent accident he had made enquiries regarding street lighting as he felt that the lack of lighting might have contributed to the cause and asked for the Parish Council to support his request to the Highways Authority. It was **resolved** to take this matter to the Environment and Planning Committee and the Clerk agreed to look at costings.

Cllr May advised that the members would be notified shortly details of available S106 funding. He advised the speed cameras had been in operation in various parts of Williton recently. He further advised that the pothole in Robert Street had been reported and Bridge Street would be closed for one day for resurfacing. Cllr Trollope-Bellew agreed to follow up the two Highways' boards that had been left at Bellamy's Corner. Cllr May asked if the brambles could be cut at the entrance to Robert Street and around the tractor shed.

10/161 Clerk's/Chairman's Notices

The Clerk advised that she had received a request from Alzheimer's Society for a representative to come to a meeting to explain the work they were doing and it was suggested that they contact either the Women's Institute or the Good Neighbourhood Club. She had also received a request from the District Council for advice on which Sundays to avoid so that they could carry out necessary work to the car park. Details of reductions in Youth Provision had been received from the County Council. Advanced notice had been received from the Department of Culture regarding arrangements to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee in 2012 and it was suggested bringing this forward to the new Council after May

10/162 Correspondence

10/162.1 It was **resolved** to note the contents of the correspondence log.

10/162.2 Correspondence had been received from Mr and Mrs Clothier of Doniford Farm inviting representatives to the farm to informally look at proposals for a small farm park. Cllrs Woods, Chadwick and Bigwood agreed to visit the farm at 10am on 28th February.

10/162.3 A request had been received from the Royal British Legion to organise a poppy party to celebrate their 90th birthday the weekend of 10th to 12th June. It was agreed to support the organisation by leaving the ground free for their use and to ask them for suggestions of what could be done to help.

10/162.4 It was **resolved** to note the details of the new Localism Bill as summarised by SALC and the Clerk agree to attend a workshop and report back.

10/162.5 It was **resolved** to note the road closures at A39 at Carhampton and A358 at Bicknoller.

10/163 Report from the Environment and Planning Committee held on 11th January 2011

It was **resolved** to note the report and the recent planning application from David Gliddon regarding the development at Bank Street which was being circulated amongst all members and recommendations would be brought to the next Full Council meeting.

10/164 Report from the Finance and Administration Committee held on 17th January 2011

It was **resolved** to note the report.

10/164.1 It was **resolved** to note the Financial Reserve Estimated Provisions and Expenditure Analysis.

10/165 To receive accounts for payment not covered by Finance and Admin Committee

It was **resolved** to pay the following accounts

Date	Invoice No:	Creditor	Item		Amount	VAT	Cheque No:
01.02.11		J Wagstaff	Petty Cash	C	47.29	-	2012
7.2.11		J Austen-Thompson	Xmas decoration prize	C	£25		2013
7.2.11		Mr and Mrs Gould	Xmas decoration prize	C	£15		2014

10/166 Village Hall Partnership with Parish Council

It was **resolved** to note the report of the meeting between the Village Hall Working Group and the Village Hall Steering Committee held on 20th January and Cllr Vaughan commented that steps were in place to take over the management but the fund raising committee would continue to operate in the same way.

10/167 Office Accommodation

The project manager had supplied some draft floor plans which members were asked to look at. It was **resolved** to go ahead with the proposals and to authorise the Working Party to agree the detail with the project manager.

10/168 Royal Wedding

It was advised that the Trustees were planning a picnic on the Recreation Ground to celebrate the Royal Wedding on 29th April. It was hoped to put up flags outside the shops and bunting at Bellamy's Corner with the Christmas lights. It was **resolved** that these costs would be met from the Tourism and Leisure budget.

10/169 Steams Up and Street Art 2011

It was **resolved** to go ahead with these two events but on two separate dates. It was agreed that lessons had been learnt from the previous year's event that could be worked on. Preparations and publicity should start early and Cllrs Chadwick and Saunders agreed to form a working party and to ask Cllrs Lakin and James to join and to invite Paul Morse.

10/153 Matters for the next meeting to be held on 7 March 2011

Village Hall Partnership
Office Accommodation
Royal Wedding
Steams Up and Street Art 2011

Meeting closed at 9.35pm

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