

WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 3rd November 2014 at 7.00 pm
at the Council Chamber, Williton

Attendees:

Councillors	McDonald (Chairman), James (left after item 14/127.2), Koch, Denton, Vaughan, Bennett, Peeks (left after item 14/127.2), Bigwood and Woods
SCC	Davies (left at 8.36pm)
WSC	May (left at 7.46pm)
Avon and Somerset Constabulary	PSCO Thompson
Press	Mrs C Webb
Clerk	Mrs Michelle Francis and Mrs Sarah Towells
Public	One member
Other	Barbara Middleton and Brian Worrell

Apologies:

Councillors Stiven

Before the start of the meeting Mr Brian Worrell from ATWEST addressed the council and spoke about how their charity works and Barbara Middleton then spoke about the concessionary fare scheme.

14/111 **Apologies as noted above.**

14/112 **Declarations of Interest**

Name	Agenda Item	Interest	Action
Cllr Peeks	14/125	Pecuniary	Left room
Cllr Peeks	14/114.3	Pecuniary	No Comment

14/113 **Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th October 2014**

It was unanimously **resolved** to approve the minutes after amendments were made to items 14/89.1 and 14/100.

14/114 **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

14/114.1 (Item 14/89.1) Hinkley C Consultation No further information.

14/114.2 (Item 14/89.3) Flood Plan Cllr McDonald reported that a group had now been established with himself as Chair. It was formed to be representatives of Parish Councils and advisory board. It was noted the group would report to own Parish Councils. The group would meet with District Council Flood Board and bring together issues to be taken further. It was **resolved** to publish details of Flood Plan on the Parish Council website and copies would be on display in the Parish Council Office.

14/114.3 (Item 14/89.4) Weekend Car Park Charges After a discussion about the lack of money made over the weekends in Williton Car Parks, it was noted a Market would be investigated again now that car-parking figures had been obtained as this would generate income for both the shop owners and the District Council. It was **resolved** to refer this item to the Environment and Planning Committee. After a proposition by Cllr Bennett, seconded by Cllr Koch, all in favour, with Cllr Peeks abstaining, it was **resolved** to write to the District Council to ask if Parish Council could sponsor the Car Parks for two weekends prior to Christmas to allow the public free parking.

14/114.4 (Item 14/89.5) Youth Council Cllr Denton has arranged to meet Naomi Griffiths from Minehead Eye. It was noted the grant application would be due to be completed in December.

14/114.5 (Item 14/89.6) Meeting to look at public Toilets awaiting for a date from Chris Hall.

14/114.6 (Item 14/89.7) Christmas festivities 10th December 2014. Edward Martin has donated a 9ft Christmas Tree to be planted on Bellamy's Corner along with the Silver Birch purchased from Wibble Farm Nurseries in next few weeks. Discussions with Police regarding safety during the procession are on-going. It was noted the procession needs careful marshalling. More helpers would be required for the evening.

14/114.7 (Item 14/95.3) Community Health and Well Being Grant Cllr Davies reported that his budget had already been allocated but advised the Parish Council to submit the form to District Council before the closing date of 30th November 2014. Cllr Peeks thanked Cllr Davies for his ongoing work regarding this grant and noted it was nice to see some of it going to projects in Williton.

14/114.8 (Item 14/105) Mobile Youth Projects update – PCSO Thompson has contacted Naomi Griffiths of Minehead Eye to ask if she would be interested in taking over the mobile bike ramps as the police have limited time.

- 14/114.9 (Item 14/104.3) Events Co-ordinator Cllr Bennett would work through his list of people to approach who had offered help. A sack of plastic ducks was donated by Di Hooper for the first event to be organised on the Recreation Ground. The fete would be 2nd event to be held in July 2015, followed by a Cricket Festival in August 2015.
- 14/114.10 (Item 14/104) Williton War Memorial Ground PCSO Thompson reported that the Police regularly patrol the ground on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights and urged the public to report any anti-social behaviour or vandalism on the 101 number.
- 14/115 Report from Avon and Somerset Constabulary**
It was resolved to note the report of the latest crime statistics.
- 14/116 Report from Somerset County Councillor**
It was reported that Mr Liddell-Grainger is seeking to push forward plans so more information is available regarding the roundabout. Cllr Davies was annoyed that the 30 minute bays were being replaced by only 2 x 15-minute stay bays. Cllr Karen Mills informed Cllr Davies that the bays belonged to Highways. Although Cllr Davies had sent 3 e-mails to Highways he is still awaiting a reply. Notification had been received regarding a consultation regarding Libraries. Cllr James proposed to include at next Finance Meeting.
- 14/117 Report from West Somerset District Councillors**
Cllr May reported the Washford Roundabout is due to start in late November 2014 and Dunster roadworks due to start January 2015. It was reported the manhole cover by the post office had been repaired. Work at Jones Junction and top the Five Bells should start about the 24th November. Robert Street to be patched 13-14th November. Cllr May is meeting with Highways next week and will point out items, including, broken rails and unclean pavement just passed Liddymore Estate and manhole on pavement by St Peters Court. A meeting is to be held on November 12th 6.30-8pm regarding a consultation on sports and leisure it was **resolved** Cllrs Bennett and Vaughan would attend.
- 14/118 Clerk's/Chairman's Notices**
The Chairman reported that he had received a letter of resignation from Andy Lyder. An invitation to attend MWS (Magna West Somerset) Conference had been received. It was **resolved** that Cllr Denton would attend. Cllr McDonald attended Chairman's Award last Friday where Linda Sully received an award after a nomination made by the Parish Council. The Chair reported all recipients were worthy and congratulated all volunteers.
- 14/119 Correspondence**
- 14/119.1 It was **resolved** to note the contents of the correspondence log.
- 14/119.2 It was **resolved** to note the letter from Wessex Water.
- 14/120 Report from the Environment and Planning Committee held on 13th October 2014**
It was **resolved** to note the report.
- 14/121 Report from the Finance and Administration Committee held on 20th October 2014**
It was **resolved** to note the report.
- 14/121.1 (Item 14/63.2A) It was **resolved** to note the provisions as at 30th September 2014
- 14/121.2 Budget Considerations 2015/2106 EPC Projects. Due to change of Insurance company, there was a saving of £2,000 with most other values staying the same. The Memorial Ground subsidy would be agreed at the next Trustee meeting. Cllr Vaughan had e-mailed Steve Plenty to confirm tax base and grant. Awaiting reply. Need to agree budget in December to take to precept in January 2015. Cllr Peeks queried £400 allocation for motor vehicle – this was incorrect and to be re-assigned. This is to be put forward for approval in December.
- 14/122 To receive accounts for payment not covered by Finance and Admin Committee**
There were no payments
- 14/123 Report from the Pavilion Working Group**
Cllr Vaughan reported the Police support the design for security. The application would go before the planning committee on 4th December. The working group would look at what would be required to submit an appeal to the original application.
- 14/124 Yellow Jackets for Volunteers**
No action
- 14/125 Planning applications for consideration**

3/39/14/032	The Swill, Doniford	Application to construct new footbridge and ramp on England Coast Path over the Swill	Approved
3/28/14/007	45 Tower Hill	Partial demolition of outbuildings and erect a new detached dwelling. Orchard House. Minor, hard and soft landscaping alterations.	It was resolved to request extension and request copy of plans and refer to EPC.
3/39/14/031	The Former Croft House	Variation of condition 2 on planning permission 3/39/13/013 in order to change plots 9 to 12 from 3-bed semi-detached dwellings to 2-bed semi-detached dwellings and to change the development road surface finish to tarmac with the parking bays remaining as block paving.	Refer to EPC

14/126 It was resolved to exclude the press and public from the remainder of the meeting

14/127 Personnel matters

14/127.1 It was unanimously **resolved** to pay the Assistant Clerk 38 hours overtime for October at the rate of time and a half.

14/127.2 Staffing Levels. It was **resolved** to look at this item again at the end of probation period for the new Clerk. The meeting moved over to the Parish Council Rooms after this item. Cllr James and Cllr Peeks left at this point.

14/128 Land acquisition - update

A discussion took place regarding a response that had been received by the Doctors' Surgery. It was unanimously **resolved** after a proposal by Cllr Koch and seconded by Cllr Bennett to accept the Doctors' offer 'subject the necessary terms, conditions and payments'.

14/129 Matters for the next meeting to be held on 1st December 2014

Report from Public Meeting held on 12th November
Budget

Meeting closed at 9.30pm