

WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 9th January 2017 at 6.45 pm
at the Parish Office, 2 Killick Way, Williton.

Attendees:

Councillors	Richards (Chairman), Bennett, Hooper, McDonald, Peeks (left at 9.15pm after item 16/248), Perrett and White
SCC	None
WSC	None
Avon and Somerset Constabulary	None
Press	Mr S Salter, Somerset County Gazette
Clerk	Mrs Michelle Francis
Public	None
Other	None

Apologies:

Councillors Aldridge, Denton, Vaughan and Cllr Davies

Before the start of the meeting a presentation was made regarding the temporary closure of stroke beds at Williton Hospital from Dr Broughton Chief Executive, Somerset Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, Sarah Harding, Head of Operations, Somerset Partnership NHS Foundation Trust and Mr David Slack, Managing Director, NHS Somerset Clinical Commissioning Group.

16/224 The Chairman advised that the meeting would be recorded.

16/225 **Apologies as noted above.**

16/226 **Declarations of Interest**

Name	Agenda Item	Interest	Action
Cllr Peeks	16/229.2, 16/234.8, 16/250	Pecuniary, WSC Employee	Informed meeting
Cllr Richards	16/232, 16/245, 16/234.8	Pecuniary, WSC Employee	Informed meeting
Cllr White	16/234.3, 16/244	Personal	Informed meeting
All members	16/234.3	Personal, Trustees of WWMRG	Informed meeting
All members	16/237	Personal, all ratepayers	Informed meeting

16/227 **Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th December 2016**

After a proposal from Cllr Hooper, seconded by Cllr McDonald, it was unanimously **resolved** to approve the minutes.

16/228 **Approval of the Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting held on 12th December 2016**

After a proposal from Cllr McDonald, seconded by Cllr Hooper, it was unanimously **resolved** to approve the minutes.

16/229 **Matters from the Minutes – for the purpose of report only**

16/229.1 (Item 16/192.1) Hinkley C Nuclear Power Station There had been no further update received. Cllrs Bennett and Perrett commented on the recent report in the Telegraph newspaper regarding safety of equipment and design faults.

16/229.2 (Item 16/197.3) The Clerk advised members the original meeting regarding Public Spaces Protection Order had been cancelled and had subsequently been re-arranged for Tuesday 10th January.

16/229.3 (Item 16/216) The Clerk advised Mr Jamie Williams had been notified his quotation to pain the Parish Office had been accepted and awaited a start date.

16/230 **Report from Avon and Somerset Constabulary**

It was **resolved** to note the latest crime statistics that been forwarded.

16/231 Report from Somerset County Councillor

Cllr Davies had sent his apologies for not attending due to meetings at Watchet and Holford. The Clerk read out the submitted report with the following points;

- Somerset County Council press release supporting a new hard-hitting campaign highlighting the damaging effect smoking has on the heart; members were given copies.
- Update on Childrens improvement – confirmation from the Minister of ‘significant progress’
- Major road works in Bridgwater, known as the Golden Triangle, due to start on Monday 23rd January – a one way system would be put in place at Wylds Road and The Drove.
- Outcome of WSDC Scrutiny meeting on 15th December 2016 – all inpatient beds at Minehead hospital would close and to reopen mothball ward at Williton on a five month temporary basis.
- Bus service – talks would resume during January.

16/232 Report from West Somerset District Councillors – Williton Ward

The was no report

16/233 Clerk’s/Chairman’s Notices

- An email had been received regarding Fracking in West Somerset offering to attend a meeting. After a proposal from Cllr Peeks, seconded by Cllr Hooper it was **resolved**, with one abstention, to decline the offer.
- Walking Football sessions would start on Friday 13th January at Danesfield School, leaflets were available in the Parish Office.
- Invitation to Chairman and Clerk to attend a meeting regarding proposed new council for Taunton Deane and West Somerset
- The flood warden shed had been delivered; the proposed date for erection was either 26th or 27th January and members were asked to assist.

16/234 Correspondence

16/234.1 It was **resolved** to note the contents of the correspondence log.

16/234.2 It was **resolved** to note this item.

16/234.3 A request to grant funds of £6,500.00 had been received from the Trustees of Williton War Memorial Recreation Ground in line with the agreed budget for the maintenance and support of the ground and its facilities through 2017 to 2018. After a proposal from Cllr Hooper, seconded by Cllr White, it was unanimously **resolved** to grant the funds.

16/234.4 It was **resolved** to note the proposed Speed Indicator Device (SID) Installation dates for 2017.

16/234.5 It was **resolved** to note that basic defibrillator training was now compulsory in essential first aid courses. Cllr Bennett had arranged for himself and Cllr White to be able to travel on occasion with the First Responder to keep their first aid training fresh. After a proposal from Cllr Bennett, seconded by Cllr White it was unanimously **resolved** for all Councillors to take a course on Defibrillator training; the Clerk would liaise with the fire service regarding a date.

16/234.6 It was **resolved** to note this item and that literature was available in the Parish Office.

16/234.7 It was **resolved** to note this item and that literature was available in the Parish Office.

16/234.8 It was resolved the Chairman and Clerk would be attending a meeting on the proposed new council.

16/235 Report from the Environment and Planning Committee

There was no report this month.

16/236 Report from the Finance and Administration Committee

There was no report this month.

16/236.1 It was **resolved** to note the provisions as at 30th November 2016.

16/237 Final Budget and Precept 2017-2018

It was unanimously **resolved** to make no further changes to the budget. Cllr Hooper proposed the adoption of Option 3 (£91,000.00), which would see an increase of 3.04%, equating to £103.36 based on a Band D property. This proposal was **resolved** with 1 abstention.

16/238 To receive accounts for payment not covered by Finance and Admin Committee

It was **resolved** to pay the following invoices.

Date	Details	Cheque No.	Invoice No.	Total Bank £	Cash £	VAT £
09 January 2017	Safety Synergy Ltd (Nov) 4525 Health & Safety	2969	2116	£120.00		£0.00
09 January 2017	Dave Milton 6720 Xmas Festival	2670		£70.00		£0.00
09 January 2017	Exmoor Cleaning Services 4510 Office Cleaning	2971	2242	£12.00		£0.00
09 January 2017	Somerset County Council Pension Scheme 4220 Pensions	2972	60620434	£80.00		£0.00
09 January 2017	Safety Synergy Ltd (Dec) 4525 Health & Safety	2973	2516	£120.00		£0.00
09 January 2017	Pete Broadey 4540 Maintenance of building/equipment	2974		£35.00		£0.00
09 January 2017	Somerset County Council Pension Scheme 4220 Pensions	2975	606915737	£80.00		£0.00

16/239 Health and Safety

Members discussed the Fire Risk assessment that had been received from Safety Synergy Ltd. It was **resolved** to obtain confirmation from Talking Newspapers that their equipment had been PAT tested. After a proposal from Cllr Bennett, seconded by Cllr Hooper, it was unanimously **resolved** to obtain quotations to change the side door to a push bar exit, the inner door to a fire door and a fire shutter in front of the glass partition.

16/240 Williton Hospital – Closure of Stroke Beds

It was unanimously **resolved** to remove this item from the agenda until the temporary closure was reviewed.

16/241 Regional Youth Council

It was **resolved** to note a meeting would be arranged with Danesfield School.

16/242 Youth Provision

It was **resolved** to note a meeting would be arranged with Naomi Griffiths from Minehead Eye.

16/243 (Item 16/205) Community Bus Service – Doniford to Williton & Employment Hub

It was unanimously **resolved** to note this item.

16/244 (Item 16/206) Proposed Pedestrian Crossing

It was **resolved** to note Cllr Denton would attend the office on Wednesday 18th January to prepare the application for submission.

16/245 Christmas Festival

It was **resolved** the event had been a great success.

16/246 After a proposal from Cllr Peeks, seconded by Cllr Bennett, it was **resolved** to exclude the press and public from the remainder of the meeting**16/247 Public Toilets**

A discussion took place where members expressed their concern regarding the financial implications. It was **resolved** the working group would obtain firm costings and explore other options; Cllr Bennett would contact Spar regarding the possibility of using their toilet. It was further **resolved** an application would be made to the sustainability fund, which would close at 5pm on the 10th January 2017.

16/247.1 The Clerk advised the background survey data had been received and was available to view in the office. Cllr Peeks expressed concern that the building survey had been completed during 2015 and was two years out of date.

16/248 (Item 14/215) **Land Acquisition** - update

The Clerk advised a reply was still awaited from the Doctors solicitors.

16/249 **Doniford Car Park**

The Clerk advised a letter had been sent from Risdon Hosegood solicitor regarding the request to terminate the lease; no reply had been received to date. On Health and Safety grounds, it was unanimously **resolved** to proceed with the replacement of the fence from the quotation previously submitted from Gardencare and Creation and warning signs erected advising the public of a crumbling cliff edge. It was further **resolved** to contact Highways and request concealed entrance signs.

16/249.1 Members were asked for suggestions regarding a new car park site.

16/250 **Matters for the next Parish Council meeting to be held on Monday 6th February 2017, Parish Office**

Presentations would be made from Izzy Sylvester, Village Agent and Maureen Smith, West Somerset Community Land Trust.

Meeting closed at 9.25 pm