

MINUTES of a MEETING of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL held on
THURSDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2014, at 7.00pm, in the Council Chamber at 28 High Street, Winslow.

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| | <p>Present: Cllrs Barry (Chairman), Castle, Cawte, Chambers, Eatwell, Knight, Monger, Payne, van de Poll and Wiseman Apologies: Cllr, Laws and Gibbs Clerk: C Loch Members of the Press and Public: AVDC Cllr Renshell and BCC Cllr. Chilvers were present.</p> |
| | <p>Declarations of Interest in matters to be discussed: none Consideration of Applications for Dispensation – none</p> |
| 14/12 | <p>Minutes of Meeting 9th January 2014 RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true record Matters Arising: The Chairman reminded members of the need for all to review Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Policy documents before the end of February. Noted that the Precept Request has been submitted and confirmed.</p> |
| | <p>Items Deferred from Previous meetings: none</p> |
| 14/13 | <p>Report of the Amenities Committee The recent weather was making it difficult to finish off current projects but all were well in hand. New Welcome Signs would be installed on the four minor roads into Winslow as soon as supplied. The playground steering group would meet on Feb, 10th to discuss plans for further equipment for older children. The Transition Group had been advised of the decision on the Orchard and were now discussing the detail of varieties and a planting scheme.</p> |
| 14/14 | <p>Report of the Development Committee Members were updated on planning applications and noted the decision to object to the latest proposal for 23 Station Road and that the AVDC Strategic Development Committee would support the Land to East of Furze Lane development plans. Glebe Farm 2 had been refused by AVDC but the appeal process had started on Glebe 1.</p> <p>Members were updated on the outcome of the recent steering group meeting. WTC had been advised to seek the opinion of counsel in respect of a submission by Gladman on the status of the WNHP. RESOLVED to approved expenditure up to £1,000 in respect of the legal costs if needed though AVDC was expected to cover most of the cost. Members noted the public meeting to be held by the examiner on Feb 14th, and members were urged to attend as well as encouraging members of the public to also add their support.</p> |
| 14/15 | <p>Report of the Events Committee Members noted that future meetings for Events would now be held on the second Monday of each month at 7pm. Noted that the date for the 2014 X'mas Fair was now set for November 27th. Finding a suitable alternative transport for the Market equipment was proving difficult because of the payload and relevant regulations. This would be investigated further and a report submitted to Council.</p> |
| 14/16 | <p>Report of the Resources Committee Members considered information requested on Council Grants and RESOLVED that the grant of £5,000 for maintenance of the St. Laurence church yard be approved.</p> <p>Members also considered the formation of a steering group to progress The Paddock and possible new community hall and RESOLVED that a steering group be established. It would be open to all Councillors and would call in such external parties as relevant to the work in hand. Cllrs. Barry, van de Poll, Monger, Knight, Castle and Wiseman would form the core group of councillors initially. The acquisition of The Paddock was now proceeding and Council would need to appoint a solicitor. The Clerk was asked to recommend a suitable Council specialist.</p> <p>Members considered the sub lease of Room 7 at the Youth Centre for use by the Storehouse Charity. The lease had not been signed but both the Education Funding Agency and Sir Thomas Freemantle Secondary School had written to confirm that it would go ahead. RESOLVED that Storehouse be given permission to do initial set up work on the understanding that the room would have to be returned in its current condition if for any reason the lease was not signed within a reasonable period, <i>Meeting adjourned for Public participation</i> <i>Cllr. Chilvers asked members to note that BCC had approved a 1.5 % increase on the Budget and would</i></p> |

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| | <i>maintain the same level of capital expenditure on roads as in the previous four years. The meeting reconvened.</i> |
| 14/17 | Correspondence: None not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda |
| 14/18 | Reports from Outside Bodies: AVALC: Minutes of the last meeting and AGM have now been circulated. |
| 14/19 | Payments for signature: Members noted the Income & Expenditure to date and payment listing totalling £11,604.69 RESOLVED to authorise that the cheque payments be signed by two councillors. |
| 14/20 | Councillor Training: The Chairman reminded members that councillor training courses were available and they notify the Clerk if they would like training on any area of Council activity. The Chairman also proposed that he hold an informal meeting with Committee Chairman and the Clerk to discuss matters such as organisation and it was agreed that a date be set. |
| | Items For Information: None |
| 14/21 | <i>RESOLVED to close the meeting to the Public due to the Confidential nature of the item.</i> Personnel Update: The Chairman informed Council on staffing matters and it was unanimously RESOLVED that Mr Charles Loch be appointed as Clerk to the Council on a permanent basis with effect from 7 th February 2014. The position of Deputy Clerk would be advertised as a permanent post with immediate effect. |
| 8.28pm | Meeting Closed Date of next meeting 6 th March 2014 |
| | Signed: (Chairman) at Meeting (date) |