

MINUTES OF WINCLE PARISH MEETING HELD ON 9th NOVEMBER 2006
AT WINCLE SCHOOL

Present: Mr P Woodcock (Chairman) Mr J Weston (Clerk)
 Cllr Barrie Hardern Cllr H Gaddum
 Mr D Chadwick Mr & Mrs E Stubbs
 Mrs C Woodcock Rev V Breed
 Mr I Burns Mr T Clapham
 Mr & Mrs N Heald Mr A Brocklehurst
 Mrs J Marsh Ms K Brough
 Mr C Byatte

Apologies: Mr & Mrs J Morris Prof & Mrs B Porter
 Mr & Mrs G Bloom PC D Johnson (Macc Police CAT)

Introduction

The Chair (PW) welcomed guests Cllr Gaddum, Cllr Hardern and Brian Taylor (PDNPA Policy Planning Manager), to the meeting. PW then gave a brief overview of achievements and events that had happened in Wincle Parish since the last AGM.

Minutes of the Last Meeting

PW stated that in accordance with the procedure agreed at the last AGM held on 20th October 2005 the minutes of that meeting had already been approved by Mrs E Heald and Prof B Porter in order that they could be published on the Wincle Website as soon after the meeting as possible. There were no matters arising.

Parish Finances

The Clerk (JW) stated that because the initial website construction costs had been absorbed into the Parish Plan expenditure, the contributions from local businesses advertising on the website (£90.00) had provided a surplus for the year of £32.00 over the expenditure (£58.00). JW stated that the current bank balance was £378.74 and with no major expenditure budgeted for 2007 JW confirmed that no precept would once again be requested from Macclesfield Borough Council.

PDNPA Management Plan and Local Development Framework

Brian Taylor gave an update on the PDNPA's progress on implementing the Government directive to create a National park Management Plan which is the over arching plan for the Park (i.e. the place, rather than just us as the National Park Authority). It will be implemented not just by PDNPA, but will be used as a guiding document by a whole host of organisations with a stake in the management and conservation of the Park over the next 20 years. BT also outlined progress on the Local Development Framework. The LDF is basically a collection of all of PDNPA plans and policies that cover land use in the National Park - from renewable energy to affordable housing and the number / size of settlements. Although the LDF will operate in conjunction with the National Park Management Plan, it is more about the Authority - i.e. PDNPA plans, procedures and policies.

Planning Application Review

PW gave a quick overview of the five planning applications that had been received since the last AGM.

Wincle Parish Plan Update

PW gave a review of the actions that had been completed and were still outstanding from the Wincle Parish Plan.

Actions: JW/PW to continue completing the actions.

Local Collective Bargaining

Mrs E Heald reported that enough residents had registered with her to give a combined annual domestic oil usage of 60,000+ litres. This had enabled her to negotiate lower prices with prospective suppliers. The prices of the suppliers would continue to be monitored with the timing of deliveries being dependent on location and tanker size required. She stated that this collective bargaining could also be used for emptying septic tanks.

Actions: All those wishing to join scheme to contact EH with requirements.

Election of Officers

No other candidates were put forward for either position. The meeting unanimously voted that Paul Woodcock and John Weston should remain as Chairman and Clerk/Financial Officer respectively.

Any Other Business

Home Watch

Mr D Chadwick stated that although it had been a successful year with no reported crime, there had still been several sightings of suspicious vehicles in the area, several of which had raised interest when reported to the police. DC asked that everyone remain vigilant and report anything suspicious to him. DC also stated that he was disappointed that since the previous CAT Officer, Jude Atkinson, had been transferred, he hadn't met, or even been notified of her replacement. JW stated that he would contact the new officer and ask him to get in contact with DC.

Actions: JW to contact PC D Johnson

Local Road Verges

Mr T Clapham raised the point that he thought that that the verge cutting on the roads in the village (not the A54) in the spring early summer was unnecessary. It not only spoilt the look of the countryside but destroyed natural habitat for many local flora and fauna.

Actions: JW to contact CCC Highways Department.

Mrs J Marsh proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman and Clerk for their work during the year.

The meeting ended at 20:40.