

**MINUTES OF WINCLE PARISH MEETING HELD ON 20<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2005**  
**AT WINCLE SCHOOL**

**Present:**

Mr P Woodcock (Chairman)	Mr J Weston (Clerk)
Mr & Mrs J Marsh	Mrs A Weston
Mr D Chadwick	Mr E Stubbs
Cllr H Gaddum	Ms J Atkinson (Macc Police)
Mrs C Woodcock	Prof & Mrs B Porter
Mrs A Burns	Mr G Meadows
Mr & Mrs J Morris	Mr & Mrs A Forrester
Mr M Bracegirdle	Mr M Babb
Mr A Brocklehurst	Mr & Mrs S Goodwin
Mrs E Heald	Dr J & Rev V Breed
Mr J Wilcock	Ms S Loughlin
Mr R Whelton	Mr & Mrs J Henshall

**Apologies:**

Mr T Clapham	Mr & Mrs P Malkin
Mr & Mrs G Bloom	Mr & Mrs B Clarkson

**Introduction**

The Chair (PW) welcomed guests Cllr Gaddum and Jude Atkinson (Macclesfield Police), to the meeting.

**Minutes of the Last Meeting**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 28 July 2004 were approved. (Proposed Mr J Marsh, seconded Mr G Meadows). There were no matters arising.

**Parish Finances**

The Clerk (JW) stated that since the total expenditure for the year had been so low (£27.54) the accounts had already been approved by the Parish Officers and sent to the External Auditors Hacker Young, Chartered Accountants, Chester. JW said that he had just been notified that these accounts had passed this audit and that the current bank balance was £357.79.

JW thanked Peter Malkin for his work in doing the Internal Audit of the 2004/5 accounts.

**Macclesfield Police Community Action Team**

The Chair (PW) introduced Jude Atkinson the new Liaison Officer for the Macclesfield Police Community Action Team. JA gave an overview of her role.

**Planning Application Procedures**

PW went through the Wincle Parish Meeting planning application procedures in detail in order to clarify the process and asked for comment and any amendments. Prof Porter asked if the Parish officers were automatically notified of any direct communications between residents and the Peak District NPA Planning Department. PW said that although the communications were open for 'public inspection' the Parish Officers were not notified automatically. Prof

Porter commented that this did seem to be a 'weakness' in the process. PW agreed and said that he would include a suggestion for anyone writing directly to the PDNPA to copy the Clerk on the correspondence. There were no further suggestions so the procedure will continue to be applied to all future planning applications received by the Parish. PW said that hard copies of the procedures would be available from the Clerk on request and asked JW to arrange for the procedures to be posted on the website in the "Planning Applications" section.

**Actions:** PW to amend procedures to include suggested addition  
JW to arrange to put the procedures on the website.

### **Vital Villages Scheme - Parish Plan**

PW gave a summary of the process involved in the production of the Parish Plan, which included the set-up of the Working Group, the compilation of the Questionnaire and the process for analysing the information gathered to produce the draft Plan. PW stated that 63 questionnaires were distributed and 59 returned, which translated into a 94% response making the plan truly representative of Parish views.

PW presented each section of the Plan and asked for comment and any suggestions for amendments. In section 3 (Roads, Footpaths and Bridleways) Prof Porter commented that the wording in the "Street Lighting" paragraph seemed contradictory and misleading. PW agreed to review and amend it.

A vote was then taken and the meeting unanimously supported the adoption of the Plan. The Plan will now be printed and distributed within the Parish. Copies will also be sent to external agencies such as local authority officers and service providers in order to help influence action they might take in the future.

Cllr Gaddum commented that the Plan is a credit to the Parish and compares very favourably with Plans produced by far larger parishes in the County.

**Actions:** JW/PW to amend Plan and arrange for it to be printed and distributed.

### **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**

#### **New Meeting minutes procedure**

JW outlined a new procedure for accepting the minutes of Parish Meetings to avoid the normal delay of waiting 6 or 12 months until the next Parish Meeting. JW stated that the minutes would be available either as a hard copy or on the website within two weeks of the meeting once they had been agreed. Prof Porter and Mrs Heald volunteered to review the draft minutes to facilitate this.

**Actions:** JW to send draft copy of minutes to EH and BP.

### **Dog Fouling**

JW reported that he had received complaints about dog fouling along the public footpath beside Chapman's Row Cottages. JW stated that he had reported the matter to the

Macclesfield BC Sanitation Department and the Dog Warden. The Sanitation Department had agreed to clean that section of the footpath and the Dog Warden had issued warning notices that had been posted at either end of that short section of footpath. The footpath would continued to be monitored and if the dog fouling continued the Dog warden would start keeping watch in the area and issue 'on-the-spot' £50 fines to anyone owning a dog caught fouling the footpath.

**Action:** WPM/MBC to monitor footpath.

#### **PDNPA Community Sustainability Meeting**

Cllr Gaddum stated that the Peak District NPA were aware that they needed to raise their profile within the Community and were holding a series of meetings the last of which would be held at Wincle School on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November. The topic of the meeting was "Sustainable Local Communities", but it was realised by the PDNPA that many other issues relating to local communities within the PDNPA area would be raised. Cllr Gaddum urged as many people as possible to attend

**Action:** ALL to try and attend meeting.

#### **Proposed Langley Housing Development**

Cllr Gaddum also raised the issue of the proposed housing development on the disused factory site in Langley. HG advised that if successful the housing would be restricted to local residents within the Sutton, Langley and surrounding area including Wincle. Therefore if any Wincle first time buyers are looking for local accommodation they should make sure that their names were on the Macclesfield BC waiting list for housing.

**Action:** Interested parties to register on the MBC waiting list for housing.

Mr J Marsh proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman and Clerk for their work during the year and for the efforts of the Broadband Action Group and the Parish Plan Working Group.

The meeting ended at 20:50.