

WINCANTON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 22ND AUGUST 2016 IN THE TOWN HALL

PRESENT: Councillors Ellard (Chairman), Tudgay (Vice-Chairman) Walters, Hinks, Cook, D Smith, Rodgers, Newman, Hearne and Vagg.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

John Smith, Chamber of Commerce asked Council to consider keeping the Chamber in the loop with discussions about the car parks. He also asked why the Town Council do not do the same as the Area East Committee and allow the public to talk during the meeting if they have registered to do so? The Chairman informed him that the Town Council's regulations are different to the Area East's regulations.

5816 APOLOGIES

Councillors Vallance, H Smith, Hibberd, Old and Wray. County Councillor Groskop.

5817 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

5818 STONEWATER LIMITED

Representatives from Stonewater Ltd briefed Council on the Anti-Social Behaviour Policy. After a presentation they thanked Council for the opportunity.

The Chairman changed the agenda to allow PCO Sparks to give her report

5819 POLICE REPORT

PCO Sparks read out the Police report, which included 7 criminal damage, 1 non-dwelling burglary, 3 sexual offences, 1 shoplifting, 1 racially aggravated crime, 1 theft from a motor vehicle and 13 violence against persons. The Police are aware on the anti-social behaviour at Cemetery Lane and urge members of the public to record registration numbers of the youths riding mopeds there. They have had reports of adult drinkers at the skate park and a male urinating in the river.

5820 SKILLS AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING IN WINCANTON

Representatives from SS&L briefed Council on their work with apprentices in Somerset.

5821 SOUTH SOMERSET ASSOCIATION FOR VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY ACTION

Roger Powell from Martock Parish Council and Tom Barber gave a presentation on how their work together with different organisations improved the lives of the residents in Martock.

5822 MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON THE 25TH JULY & 8TH AUGUST 2016

25TH July 2016 (Minutes 5790-5801). On a proposal from Councillor Hinks, seconded by Councillor Tudgay, the Minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

8th August 2016 (Minutes 5802-5806). On a proposal from Councillor Vagg, seconded by Councillor Cook, the Minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

5823 REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Councillor Ellard presented and signed the Minutes of the Open Spaces committee meeting held 8th August 2016 (Minutes 5807-5815). On a proposal from Councillor Tudgay, seconded by Councillor Cook, the Minutes were adopted by Council.

5824 PLANNING:

16/03458/OUT

The erection of a bungalow, land adjoining Westbrook, The Batch. Proposed by Councillor Tuday, seconded by Councillor Ellard. Vote: unanimous.

16/03557/S73

Application to vary condition 2 (approved plans) of planning permission 16/01349/FUL for the relocation of building by 500mm toward southern boundary, 24 High Street. Proposed by Councillor Ellard, seconded by Councillor Cook. Vote: unanimous.

Application approved by South Somerset District & County Council

16/02647/FUL

Conversion of dwelling to three dwellings, removal of 8 garages and shed and erection of attached two story dwelling. Wyvern, Church Street.

Application refused by South Somerset District Council

16/01243/FUL

Change of use with alterations and extension of redundant public conveniences to fish restaurant/takeaway, Car Park and conveniences, Carrington Way.

The Clerk read out an email which was sent to Development Control stating how disappointed Council are with their decision on this application.

Application Withdrawn

16/02830/FUL

Erect a new steel portal framed building for the purpose of storage units. Abpac House, Wessex Way.

5825 VERBAL REPORTS AND FEEDBACK

As the presentations took longer than expected, the Chairman omitted this agenda item.

5826 CHEQUE LIST

On a proposal by Councillor Ellard, seconded by Councillor Hearne, the cheques were approved and Councillors Tudgay and Hinks were nominated to sign cheques on Tuesday 23rd August 2016.

5827 CAR PARKS

Deferred to the next meeting.

5828 RECRUITMENT

Council voted unanimously to the recruitment timetable, Job Description and Person Specification for the new position of Grounds Maintenance & Works Supervisor. The Clerk, Chairman and Deputy Chairman will conduct the interviews.

5829 SSSDC RESOLUTION

Deferred to the next meeting.

5830 COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO BUSINESSES

Deferred to the next meeting.

5831 ANNUAL COMMUNITY AWARD

Deferred to the next meeting.

5832 SECURITY PATROLS

Council agreed to discuss the patrols after the summer.

5833 CORRESPONDENCE

None

5834 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

None.

The meeting ended at 9:15 pm

Signed

Dated: 26th September 2016