

Minutes of Winston Parish Council Meeting  
Held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018  
At Winston School Room

Present: Phil Tempest - Chair, Roger Guthrie - Finance,  
Will Haag  
Lizzie Taurozevicius - Clerk

Also attending Matthew Hicks - Suffolk County Councillor  
Kathie Guthrie - District Councillor  
Members of Winston Parish

1. Apologies from Clinton Summers and Lucy McKenzie.
2. The Minutes from the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018 were agreed.
3. Phil was able to tell the meeting that the original Parish noticeboard has now been relocated to Fenn Street.
4. Matthew Hicks told us that the Suffolk Design Guide is to be refreshed in order for it to become a benchmark to help with planning applications. Applications are taking place across the County for Secondary and Primary schools at the moment. Funding for school transport has changed and will now only be paid to the nearest school available. There is to be a new 20 year plan to cover Special Educational Needs as applications for this kind of placement are greatly increasing. The County is to provide new support for people who have been affected or bereaved by suicide. Since the last Parish Council meeting Matthew has become the Leader of SCC. Phil congratulated him on behalf of the Parish. Matthew was asked by a resident if SCC might be able to put up a 'No Through Road' sign, to try and prevent motorists cutting through from the lane that runs past the church, along a private road, to connect with Debenham Road. Matthew said that if the Parish Council supported and put forward a request, it would be considered. The Parish Council agreed to do this.
5. Kathie Guthrie gave her report. It was very wide ranging but, of particular interest and concern, was that the Five Year Land Supply rules have been changed and this may well result in a large increase in applications from developers to build across the whole of Mid Suffolk. Kathie also told us that she is hoping she may be able to acquire some grant funding for the School Room as it is the only community room in the Parish.
6. Roger Guthrie presented the accounts for the period to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018. The revised budget for 2018/19 anticipated Receipts of £625.00 and this amount has been received. The budgeted amount for Payments was £1,087 but so far only £884.00 has been spent so Roger anticipated there would be £1,969 in hand when all payments in and out were completed. Sandra Baker requested funding for the Parish Poppy Wreath, which was agreed. This prompted a discussion about the possibility, in future, of sourcing a non-plastic wreath, in an effort to be more Eco-friendly.

7. The Parish Insurance is due for renewal. This year the premium quote was £153.32, down from £170.00 last year. It was unanimously accepted and approved by those present.
8. A resident has asked if the Parish Council could help with an issue of bonfires causing problems. Phil has told them that there is no legal ruling regarding this but a request for consideration of neighbours would be put into 'Together' magazine.

A resident suggested that a 'Winston Parish Council' sign could be added to the relocated Parish noticeboard. This was agreed on the basis that it cost less than £30.

Phil will be attending to the runners that have sprouted from the trees that were cut down on The Green.

Phil had received confirmation that the Owl Box is still being checked and maintained

but there has not been feedback regarding any inhabitants.

Phil to inform the PCC that Historic England have listed the War Memorial as part of a,

Country-wide, commemoration of the First World War.

There has recently been an incident of hare coursing on local land. If anyone sees this,

in progress, they should contact the Police but not approach those taking part.

9. The date for the next meeting will be on **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 7.30 pm in The School Room.**

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