

**Minutes of Winston Parish Council Annual Meeting**  
**Held on 16 October 2019 at 7.30 pm in the Winston Schoolroom**

Present: Will Haag – Chair, Lizzie Taurozevicius, Tina Denny – Parish Councillors  
Roger Guthrie – Clerk,  
Matthew Hicks – County Councillor,  
Kathie Guthrie – District Councillor,  
Members of Winston Parish

1. Apologies had been received from Julie Nightingale and Kate Branch.
2. The Clerk explained that MSDC had been unable to trace Councillors declarations of interests and requested that these be re-presented. No members declared any financial or other interests in the current business of the Council as set out in the agenda.
3. The minutes of the meeting of 15 May were approved subject to correction of a typographic error.
4. Matters arising from minutes of 15 May:
  - Hare coursing still continuing in the area and any suspicious activity should be reported on 111 (eg 4 track vehicles with dogs etc) but anyone seeing coursing actually taking place should report to the Police on 999.
  - The Parochial Church Council had noted the proposal made at the 15 May meeting for the PC to provide support to the Schoolroom and had requested a £60 contribution to new tables. This was approved.
  - The Clerk reported that the new bank signatories were now in place.
5. Matthew Hicks, Suffolk County Council presented his report as filed on the PC website and as attached to these minutes. The report was noted and Matthew thanked for his attendance.
6. Kathie Guthrie, Mid Suffolk District Councillor presented her report as filed on the PC Website and as attached to these minutes. The report was noted and Kathie thanked for her attendance.
7. The Clerk presented the Financial summary as posted on the PC website and as attached to these minutes. We had now received our full income for the year of £670 broadly as budgeted. Expenditure to date was £151 but the following costs were noted and agreed – Insurance £153, work on Green up to £200, Contribution towards Schoolroom as item 4 above £60, Contribution to British Legion for Remembrance Day Wreath £17 (a donation as previous year's wreath to be re-cycled), website and other costs approximately £80 which would give total expenditure £661, broadly in line with actual income and budget. This would leave year end reserves of approximately £1,800 as forecast and in line with the PC Reserves Target.
8. The Chairman reported that he had agreed with the contractor that the Green would be cut and further work undertaken on the boundary hedging up to a maximum value of £200. This was approved.
9. The meeting discussed other possible activities to involve the Community and it was agreed that this would be considered further at the next meeting.
10. Any other business:
  - Concern was expressed over the lack of progress in installing super-fast broadband for Winston Green residents. It was agreed that the Clerk would clarify the current position.
  - It was noted that the water supply to residents of Winston Green had been severely disrupted recently. The Chairman advised that Anglian Water had stated that compensation was not payable as a limited supply of water was maintained throughout (Subsequent to meeting established for future reference that if no supply, water companies are required to supply 10 litres per person per day). The meeting discussed what support was available to

vulnerable residents in such circumstances and concluded that other than direct contact with the relevant utility, the District Council might be the appropriate agency to contact.

- It was noted that the County Council was not proposing to replace the missing Village Sign on the Green and the Clerk agreed to investigate whether the PC could utilise the remaining support posts with a sign of its own (maybe 'Winston welcomes careful drivers').
- The issue of dog fouling both on the Green and in the vicinity of the Churchyard was raised. The Clerk explained that there was a significant cost to installing and emptying dog bins but agreed to investigate further and report back to the next meeting.
- It was noted that The Early Bird Christmas Market was fixed for 16 November in the Winston Schoolroom and Church and that the Christmas Carol Service would take place on Christmas Eve at 6.30.

11. The next meeting was agreed Wednesday 15 January 2020 at 7.30 in The Schoolroom.