

Minutes of Winston Parish Council Meeting  
Held on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019  
At Winston School Room

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

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

1. Apologies from Lucy and Paul McKenzie.
2. The Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018 were agreed.
3. The 'Winston Parish Council' sign, for the relocated notice board, is in hand. Sadly, there have been further instances of Hare coursing happening locally.
4. Matthew Hicks spoke about the Sizewell consultation process and urged everyone to have a look what is being proposed and make comments. Although our Parish is a distance away, and any building would take 15 years to complete, there are huge implications for things like the environment and highway networks which would still impact on us. He told us that SCC are keen to make businesses, of all sizes, aware that there are many grants that may be available to them, however this does not extend to farming businesses. Phil asked Matthew if he knew why there hadn't been any response yet to the request from the Parish Council for 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 he had not had sight of the application, so would chase it up.
5. Kathie Guthrie gave her report. She was able to tell us that the application to build, from Taylor Wimpey, has been refused by Mid Suffolk. However, they are entitled to appeal, and are expected to do so. Kathie was pleased to say that she had been able to secure grant funding for Winston School Room. £317 had been allocated and this has already been used to fit security lighting.
6. Roger Guthrie presented the accounts for the period to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018. There is £1,951.32 in the bank, which is more than expected, due to a couple of underspends but work on The Green would start soon and this would reduce the amount back to what had been budgeted for. Phil said that the likely cost of clearing the bramble would be £200.
7. The Council reviewed the Risk Register and decided we had adequate procedures to mitigate those risks.
8. The draft budget for 2019/20 was reviewed and agreed subject to the addition of £100 election expenses. It was agreed to increase the precept from £600 to £650 to help cover the additional election costs.

9. It was agreed that there should be a Spring Litter Pick, on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April, meeting at The School Room at 2pm.
10. Someone has expressed their interest in the vacancy for Parish Clerk.
11. Just a reminder from Phil that this year there will be elections for the Parish Council.
12. The date for the next meeting will be on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7.30 pm in The School Room.**

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