

Windle Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 21 March 2023
at Eccleston Village Hall

Present Councillor Dockerty (Chair)
Councillor Barnes
Councillor Barton
Councillor Greatorex

Also in Attendance J Anderson (Clerk to the Council)
One resident

166 Prayers: Prayers had already been said at the Parish Assembly Meeting. The Chair opened the meeting.

167 Apologies: Cllr Donnelly

168 Declarations of Interest: No declarations were made.

169 Parish Matters:

(a) Cllr Barton informed the meeting that double yellow lines had been put on one side of Coronation Road. He had noticed that some vehicles were now parking in the bus shelter area making it difficult for anyone crossing. The parked vehicles were also obscuring the view for vehicles getting out of Coronation Road. The Clerk was asked to contact St Helens Borough Council to check whether any further plans had been looked at for parking in front of the shops and to report the parking around the bus stop.

Cllr Greatorex reported on the work being carried out installing the 5G cable through the area around Windle Island. The work was causing problems in the layby as workers were unloading machinery and blocking some residents in. Cllr Greatorex said most of the workers were obliging and moved equipment so that residents could get in and out. He reported that the company had re-seeded grass verges but then a lorry had driven over the area and churned up the soil. Cllr Greatorex suggested that he draft a letter to be sent to the company carrying out the work to ask, that when they had completed the work, they return the area to how it was.

Cllr Dockerty informed the meeting that planning applications had gone to St Helens Borough Council to place advertisements on roundabouts including 2 on the Rainford by-pass. The Clerk would inform the Councillors if planning permission was given.

Cllr Barnes asked whether parking on the grass verges on Bleak Hill Road had been reported. The Clerk was asked to report the issue to St Helens Borough Council.

170 Minutes of Meeting: The council received the minutes of the meeting held on 21 February 2023. **Resolved** the minutes of the meeting be accepted and signed by the Chair as a true and correct record.

171 Matters Arising: 145 (a) The Clerk had reported the issue of speeding traffic along the Rainford by-pass to St Helens Borough Council.

172 Planning Matters:

(a) Applications

38 Regal Drive

Single storey side and front porch wraparound extension (re-submission of application P/2022/0401/HHFP)

49 Lawrence Road

Replacing flat roof of two storey extension with pitched roof

Resolved: that no objections be raised concerning the applications

(b) Decisions

None

The applications and decision were noted.

173 Other Correspondence:

- a) an invoice for the tree lighting at Bleak Hill School
- b) an email from a resident informing the Parish Council that the allotment holders at Alder Hey Road had received a solicitor's letter stating that the owners wish to take control and clear the site.
- c) an email from Liverpool John Lennon airport with an invitation to attend a presentation on the Airspace Change Masterplan

Noted

174 Ecclesfield Sports Facility: the meeting had been re-arranged for Tuesday 28 March 2023 at 7.00pm at Eccleston Village Hall.

Noted

175 SLCC: Nothing to report.

176 Lynton Way Play Area: The revised cost of £1543.33 had been received. This no longer included the play area maintenance or inspection, which would be carried out by St Helens Borough Council. Councillor Dockerty had agreed to meet with Grounds Maintenance from St Helens Council during the year. The Clerk would confirm this with Grounds Maintenance.

177 J Malone Garden: Councillors agreed that it was still looking neat and tidy.

178 Reports from Other Bodies: None

179 Finance:

a) Balances – the Clerk advised that the balances at 28 February 2023 were:

Current Account	£17,544.72
Business Reserve	<u>£6,182.98</u>
TOTAL	£23,727.70

b) Payment of Accounts

Resolved that the following payments be made:

	£	Chq
Eccleston Parish Council – room and phone	31.80	2664
J Anderson – March	319.48	BACS
St Helens Council – Christmas tree lighting	620.40	2665

Resolved that the following receipt(s) be noted:

None

180 Newsletter: The Parish Newsletter was approved to go to print. Councillors volunteered to deliver the newsletter and a delivery schedule was agreed.

181 Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday 18 April 2023 at 7.00pm in Eccleston Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm

Signed:
Chairman

Date: