

# WINSTER PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of a meeting held at the Burton Institute, Winster on 4 July 2005

<b>Present</b>	Councillor Brian Long in the chair. Councillors Rob Greatorex, Geoff Lester, Kevin Markham, Don Shimwell, Allan Stone and Judy Williams.
<b>In attendance</b>	8 members of the public and Veronica Kemble, Clerk.
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	Before the meeting started, the Chair expressed thanks to everyone who has been involved in the successful Carnival week and ongoing Twinning events.
<b>Apologies</b>	Parish Councillor Frank Mason
<b>237/05 Public open session</b>	The owners of Vernon House and Vernon Cottage, Sunny Bank House and The Tardis spoke in support of their respective applications which are dealt with under Planning. <b>Resolved</b> To note the matters raised.
<b>238/05 Minutes</b>	<b>Resolved</b> That the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 6 June 2005 be confirmed as a correct record, subject to deletion of the last sentence under 225/05 Grasscutting. The minutes as amended were signed by the Chair.
<b>239/05 Matters arising</b>	<b>215/05 Noticeboards</b> One quote has been received so far. <b>Resolved</b> To note the matter arising.
<b>240/05 Planning</b>	<b>NPDDD 0405 0406 Erection of store, workshop &amp; office at Chesterfield House, Bank Top, Winster</b> This is a retrospective application. The Parish Council feels that there is insufficient information in the application papers for it to make an informed decision on the following points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The applicant appears to be Frank Roper and Sons and the area owned by the Applicant and marked in red on the plans does not include Chesterfield House, yet the application is titled "Chesterfield House". Does it form part of the farm unit or Chesterfield House? If the building is for the farm business it should be situated within the farm complex itself. If the business is separated from the house at some stage in the future which side would this development fall? The S106 could be used to tie the development to one or other use.</li><li>2. A change of use is required to office/stores/vehicle parking.</li><li>3. This is not changes to the existing building. The building in its present state has been renovated in different dimensions and bears little or no resemblance to the original building which was smaller. These plans drastically increase the footprint of the original stone shed that once stood on the site.</li><li>4. If this is an agricultural application, it is not clear how it satisfies the needs of the farm. If it is a new build and workshop area, what is the proposed use? Is it for a new activity, for diversification and will it be held with the farm or will it be rented out?</li><li>5. There are concerns about increased traffic entering and leaving the site on a busy part of the highway with poor sight lines in both directions. Depending on the proposed use of the site additional pressure could be put on the B5056 and wider highway network in this area.</li></ol>

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**240/05  
Planning  
continued**

The Clerk will write to PDNPA stating that due to the lack of supporting information on need, use and highways considerations the Parish Council refuses this application.

**NPDDD 0505 0548 Renewal of restoration of vein mineral working south of Bonsall Lane, Winster** The Clerk will write to PDNPA as follows:

Winster Parish Council is concerned that this is yet another application for an extension. However, in view of the fact that this extension is only for two months, the Parish Council recommends it for approval subject to it being stressed to the applicant that this is the final extension.

**NPDDD 0605 0568 Loft conversion at Sunny Bank House, Wensley Road, Winster** The Clerk will write to PDNPA as follows:

Winster Parish Council recommends this application for refusal because:

1. The property is situated above Wensley Road and is a prominent building within the landscape; it can be viewed from the public highway (B5057) and from the public right of way above the village.
2. The proposal does not reflect or compliment the style or traditions and the wider landscape setting.
3. The proposal would dominate the original building which is of vernacular merit.
4. The proposal would detract from the character, appearance and amenity of the original building, its setting and neighbouring properties.

**NPDDD 0605 0581 Amendment to roof tiles at The Tardis, West Bank** The Parish Council supports this application.

**NPDDD 0605 0609 Listed building consent Internal alterations at Vernon House/Vernon Cottage, Main Street** The Parish Council supports this application.

**NPDDD 0605 0627 Alterations to porch & loft conversion at Highfield, Wensley Road, Winster** The Parish Council supports this application.

**APP/M9496/A/05/1181826 (NPDDD 0105 0055) Appeal - Proposed stables & agricultural buildings at Westhills Farm, Islington Lane, Elton** The Parish Council has nothing to add to its original comments on this matter.

**62/04 Buckdale Lane, Winster** PDNPA has found the photographs from previous occasions and will report back to the Parish Council in time for the August 2005 meeting.

**165/05 Land at Pikehall Lane** There has been some improvement on this site. It was noted that the owner is currently in hospital.

**Resolved** To note the applications and decisions received since the last meeting and write the letters outlined above.

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**241/05  
Footpaths,  
highways and  
related issues**

**59/03 Mounting block** This is still outstanding and the contractor will be chased.

**16/04 Finger posts** These have now been installed.

**16/04 Dog fouling** The Chair has spoken to DDDC's education officer, who has various meetings pending regarding interpretation of the Act. The Parish Council has received further literature direct from Defra. This indicates that if a Parish Council issues a Penalty Notice which is not paid, the Parish Council is responsible for taking the matter to court. The updating of signs and the enforcement policy for the whole district is under review by DDDC.

**241/05  
Footpaths,  
highways and  
related issues  
continued**

**225/05 Grasscutting** A letter has been received from a resident who is concerned at the length of the grass between cuts. DDDC will be asked to quote for extra cuts and also provide information on the necessary procedures and financial arrangement if the Parish Council took over responsibility for all grasscutting on Leacroft Green. The matter will be put on a future agenda.

**225/05 Roadsweeping** Some of the gennels have now been swept and this will be monitored on an ongoing basis.

**Churchyard** The Warden will be asked to trim the tree overhanging the path behind The Dower House.

**Footpath on Woodhouse Lane recreation area** Part of the surface has washed away in the recent heavy rain. This will be referred to the Open Spaces Committee for consideration.

**Manhole covers** Several reports have been received of people slipping on some old manhole covers during wet weather. This will be reported to DCC.

**Stiles between Woodhouse Lane and Birchover Lane** Two are broken. This will be reported to DCC.

**Resolved** to note the reports, make the necessary enquiries and write the letters as outlined above.

**242/05  
Street lights**

**Resolved** To install a new streetlight on The Griffin at a cost of £850. DCC will be asked to undertake this work as soon as possible.

**243/05 Scanner**

**Resolved** To approve the purchase of an A4 scanner for the Clerk up to £50.

**244/05  
Emergency plan**

This is progressing well and another meeting will be held in July 2005 to collate the information and take the matter forward. Thanks was expressed to Parish Councillors Frank Mason and Judy Williams for their ongoing help with this.

**245/05  
Taxi voucher  
scheme**

In view of the low uptake on this scheme the Parish Council has asked the Countryside Agency for permission to widen the criteria of the scheme and this has been granted. Options to be researched revolve around young people's sporting activities and Church/social events which happen on Sundays. A decision will be made at a future meeting once the research has been completed.

**246/05  
Financial update**

<b>Resolved</b>	To note:		£
<b>Receipts</b>		J Williams burial plot	100.00
		Mandale Memorials - headstone	42.00
<b>Payments requiring approval</b>	s/o	Clerk's salary	112.38
	s/o	Warden's salary	122.95
	132	Richard Comley Warden's additional hours	122.95
	133	Post Office Ltd re tax on clerk's (£31.70) and warden's (£27.05 + £27.05) salaries	85.80
	134	Veronica Kemble for items for Warden (VAT £16.99)	114.09
	135	Veronica Kemble clerk's expenses	50.26
	136	Henton & Chattell - new blower (VAT £26.81)	180.00
	137	David Barnsley - furniture, benches, bus shelter and railings maintenance	650.00
	138	C Purslow - internal auditor's fee	50.00
<b>Balances at 4.7.05</b>		Current account	6.50
		Deposit account	12,893.00

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**246/05  
Financial update  
continued**

David Barnsley was asked to paint some extra railings which were not in his original quote of £620.

The Warden has worked more hours than covered by his monthly pay, including work done before 1 April 2005. His hours and pay will be reviewed again in December 2005 and any necessary adjustments made at that time. Councillors feel he is doing a good job.

£375 is being claimed from DCC for footpath work under the Agency Agreement.

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**247/05  
Correspondence**

Correspondence received since last meeting not dealt with elsewhere:

County Council R Caswell	Letter of introduction
DALC	Circular 19.05
DALC	Circular 20.05
DALC	PC Representatives
DCC	Street light costings
DDCVS	Quart Issue 15
DDDC	Area Community Forum dates
DDDC	Review of Housing Renewal policy
Derbyshire Dales & High Peak	DD&HP Community Strategy
Local Strategic Partnership	
Defra	Clean Neighbourhoods & Environment Act
East Midlands Ambulance	Newsletter June 2005
EMDA	EMDA News May 2005
Ripley Town Council	Exhibition
Safer Derbyshire Dales	Community Safety Minutes 26.5.05

The Parish Council agreed to take a vote on election to the DALC Executive Committee despite it not being an agenda item and nominated Andrew McCloy.

Parish Councillor Rob Greatorex offered to stand as a parish council representative on the Standards Committee which the Parish Council supported.

**Resolved** To note the correspondence received since the last meeting.

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**248/05 Public  
open session**

A resident reported barbed wire on a stile between Great Close and Clough Wood which damaged his shirt. This will be reported to DCC and the resident was advised he could claim for damage against the landowner.

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**249/05 Matters  
for information**

The batteries, oil drums etc are still in the Market House. Parish Councillor Kevin Markham will arrange for them to be removed.

The stonework inside the lower storey of the Market House is in a poor condition. This will be reported to the National Trust.

Rabbits and moles have been seen in the Cemetery and these need to be culled.

Walbrook Housing charges tenants at Florence Gladwin Close a service charge which may include the maintenance work undertaken by the Parish Council.

Parish Councillor Alan Stone will undertake the first quarterly check of the Parish Council's accounts once the bank statement has been received.

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**Next meeting**

Monday 1 August 2005.

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