

**WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL  
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MINUTES FOR THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING  
ON THURSDAY 12 AUGUST 2004**

**Present:** Mr Maynard, Mr Street, Mr Perrett, Mr Betsworth, Mr Mander, Mr Burgess, Mr Dennis, PC M Davies and the Clerk.

It was agreed that the next Full Council should vote on cancelling August meetings in future due to holiday absence. The Clerk to place on the agenda.

Justin Milward from Woodland Trust attended the meeting together with Valerie Staley to discuss the Council's request to manage the Woodland Trust areas in Willand.

Some sites are leased to community groups, which would be a formal lease, the Woodland Trust would remain the landowner. Rent would be peppercorn rent but the community group would be expected to maintain the fences although, the parameters would need to be agreed perhaps on a 5 year basis, with an annual meeting to discuss arrangements. The Woodland Trust would want to ensure that their aims and objectives were being pursued. There are certain covenants to adhere to on this land, which would have to be part of that agreement. The lease arrangement would be preferable to any form of management agreement. A ten year or twenty five year lease would be in order. The next stage would be to get a group of interested people in forming the trust that would take on the lease, which will require commitment. The Woodland Trust has recently set up a web based project Community Woodland Network provides best practice notes which can be found at woodland-trust.org.uk and look for a subpage called CWN. The Clerk to arrange an article in the Parish Magazine to see if there is any interest in a Trust Committee for the woodlands. The Clerk will then contact Justin Milward in due course. The Management Plan can be located on the website.

**1. Apologies**

Tony Hancock, Trish Harrogate, Andy Bush, Roger Tancock, Ros Crook, John Adair, Colin Ward.

**2. Chairman's Announcements and Correspondence:**

• **MDDC – Provision of Play Areas and Public Open Spaces – funding amount to be agreed**

The Clerk to request as much funding as possible for the current play area revamp which will only be claimed for new equipment installation. The clerk to arrange as soon as possible.

• **Risk Management**

The Clerk to wade through the paperwork received and a sub committee will need to make recommendations to Full Council for adoption.

• **Devon County Council – Monthly news round-up, August 2004**

To be emailed to all Councillors in future by the Clerk.

• **Proposed Sale of Land at Willand Depot – Further enquiries are being made**

Points raised by Willand Parish Council seem to have been taken on board and that further valuations are due to be sought.

• **Broadband in Willand**

An email has been received on this subject but it was decided not to reply.

• **Willand United Charities – Quotations received**

Two quotations have been received. It was suggested that Willand United Charities should write to the resident concerned stating that the quotations have been received and that the work is carried out by the resident concerned at her own expense. The Clerk to liaise with Mr Herniman and return the quotations.

• **MDDC – Activ8, activities for 13 – 19 year olds for the Summer**

The Clerk has placed a notice about this on the notice board and several copies of this were handed out at the Robin Hood theatre event.

- **Devon Association of Parish Councils – AGM 25 September, Exeter**

No one interested.

- **Devon Association of Parish Councils – Planning Training Day, 8 September**

Roger Perrett has a confirmed place on the course.

- **Devon Playing Fields Association – Summer 2004 Newsletter**

Passed to Nick Street for reading.

- **Victim Support – Funding request**

It was agreed that funding of £125 should be sent. Proposed by Mr Mander and seconded by Mr Street. The Clerk to arrange.

- **People's Places Award Scheme**

It was agreed that the information should be kept for future reference. The Clerk to telephone the Marketing Team to find out about flexibility of the deadline and to approach Mr Rowe about the amount he would want for the land.

### 3. **Minutes of the Meetings held:**

- **Full Council 8 July**
- **Planning Committee 8 July**
- **Planning Committee 5 August**

These minutes were agreed as a true and correct record.

### 4. **Accounts:**

- **Cheque signing**

Number	Gross	Details	
	£9.83	David Maynard	Graphics pens
	£20.09	Mrs N Ashley	Stamps and stationery
	£30.00	Mrs N Ashley	Electricity charge March to August

These cheques were agreed and signed at the meeting.

- **Income this month**

Income this month has been £115 from the Robin Hood play, £875 parish magazine advertising and £238 relating to the cemetery.

- **Adoption of Financial Regulations**

It was agreed that the Financial Regulations could not be adopted finally until such time as the Risk Management had been agreed.

- **Fixed Asset Register**

The clerk to email to all Councillors. The clerk to enquire for insurance purposes for Willand signs and the clock. The Clerk to liaise with Eddie Dennis. The Clerk to sort out clock which is out of time.

### 5. **Matters Arising:**

- **Mid Devon District Councillors Burgess, Dennis and Ward**

#### **Mr Dennis:**

One Stop – Mr Dennis has chased it and it should be done by the 27 August.

Bus stop on Uffculme straight – the bus stop space will be allocated with a bus shelter of the Uffculme side for school children.

Uffculme straight – reduction in speed out of the village is hoped for.

The Gables – LBC decision will be made by 24 October.

Signs to be moved to B3181 near the Halfway House instead of their current position.

College surgery no longer has a doctor which has not been announced to patients.

Organic waste collection – rough guide to be printed regarding refuse collection from November 2005 where fortnightly collections of wheeley bins will be made.

**Mr Burgess:**

Community Services Committee – The council will continue to collect refuse in house but open procurement process much be organised for recycling. A timetable is being prepared for this procurement. Future of waste management from 2010 is due to be considered. The Head of Operations approved the composting collection. Wheeley bins will be 240 litres.

Cullompton Swimming Pool – a feasibility study was a little bit negative but further research is being undertaken to see if further help can be offered from Parish Councils.

Play Areas – MDDC play areas are due to be upgraded to new disability regulations.

- **Devon County Councillor Berry – no apologies given**

- **Devon and Cornwall Police:**

There have been 7 crimes, plus 2 additional criminal damage at the cemetery. There were 8 other associated incidents. The parish magazine has just organised an insert regarding gopedes to ensure that people are aware of the legalities. Every house has been leaflet dropped on the Willand Moor development to encourage people to report antisocial behaviour. The results of that are awaited. An action plan can then be organised to sort out any problems. Parents are ultimately responsible for poor behaviour. Within the next four weeks the roads are due to be resurfaced. Further traffic calming measures are due to be implemented in the next couple of weeks. Speeding was checked in the area but was not found to be a problem but this is not the case when police are not present.

The two cars abandoned. One has been removed, the one at Somerlea will receive a notice tomorrow if the owner cannot be traced.

Antisocial behaviour forms to be passed to Elaine Lane by PC Davies.

- **Health and safety issues reported**

Nearest telephone for emergencies – sign to be changed. The Clerk to organise. This is also to be placed in the Parish Magazine.

- **Parish Plan Steering Group update – more help required please**

Sue Turner to attend September meeting to ask for additional support for collection of questionnaires etc.

- **Robin Hood event – event success**

The event was very successful. Perhaps next year it could be added to with extra events and entertainments. Perhaps something could be placed in the parish magazine in due course.

- **Play Area –**

**Wet pour surface quotations** – It was agreed that GB Sport quotation should be undertaken if it is not too far off the Miracle requote. The Clerk to organise.

**Willand Moor play equipment – Mr Betsworth**

The Clerk to email Devon County Supplies contact details to Steve Betsworth.

**Disability Act**

The Clerk to liaise with MDDC to see if Disability Act is adhered to.

- **Parish Lengthsman – areas for attention**

Gables sign – only cut at the bottom.

Island in the middle of Silver Street needs attention.

Esso garage to five bridges kerbs need dealing with.

Four cross way to Halfway House, overhanging hedge. The Clerk to arrange.

The Clerk to liaise with Mr Snell to collect litter on the left hand side just before Half Way house after the roundabout.

- **Village Hall Committee Loan**

Mr Wills will attend as and when quotations have been received and a full proposal has been prepared for Full Council's consideration.

- **Affordable Homes update**

Mr Webber was approached for low cost housing and plans will be looked at and any correspondence will be sent to Mr Maynard on the outcome. Half an acre is sought after for affordable housing.

**6. Public Questions**

Fir Close leading to Somerlea sign – Mr Dennis to arrange with Mrs Lane.

The meeting was closed at 9.30pm.