



WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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THE MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 2014 FOLLOWING THE PLANNING MEETING IN WILLAND VILLAGE HALL

PLEASE NOTE: All Council Meetings are electronically recorded in the interests of accuracy.

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Phare, Ursell, Warren, Wilcox, Grantham, Mander, Clerk Tracy Leaman

1. **Apologies:** None
2. **Chairman's announcements:** Meeting recorded. Christmas lights have been erected.
3. **Minutes of the meeting held:** Thursday 23rd October 2014, Environment committee, Proposed Cllr Warren, Seconded Cllr Wilcox, unanimously agreed that they be signed as a true and correct record.
4. **Matters arising:** Diocese – The Diocese have admitted that ‘at the time of the closure in 1968 notice was not given to the Parish Council but it must be accepted that notice was given sometime between 1969 and 1978.’ The Parish Council will draft a letter to the Diocese asking on what factual basis that comment is made. Cllr Grantham offered to ask a Solicitor friend for advice. Proposed Cllr Grantham, Seconded Cllr Wilcox, unanimously agreed by those who voted. Cllr Warren abstained from voting. **Action Clerk**
War memorial – Information submitted to MDDC for listing by English Heritage.
Jubilee Parish Field – The Parish Council wrote to MDDC who acknowledged receipt of the letter. District Cllr Chesterton is currently making enquiries. **Action District Cllr Chesterton**
5. **Handyman tasks:** Benches – The Jubilee and cemetery benches are in need of maintenance and will be removed when the work is carried out, one bench will be removed from each site so a bench remains at all times. The spikes will need covering. Specification to be drafted. **Action Clerk, Cllr Phare**
The bench near the Five Cross Way roundabout on DCC land needs removing. **Action Clerk**
Willand signs – Work currently being undertaken. Cllr Grantham will ask the Handyman to carry out the pointing that is required on the sign near Willand Old

Village. Spacers will also be inserted so that rain drains out. Proposed Cllr Warren, Seconded Cllr Wilcox, unanimously agreed. **Action Cllr Grantham**

6. Cemetery: Marking out plots - Cllr Ursell meeting with Rex Sanders. **Action Cllr Ursell**

Use of reserved land update - Clerk to send a letter to the landowner. **Action Clerk**

Revision of rules update – **Action Cllrs Wilcox, Phare and Clerk**

Memorial maintenance – Relatives have been sent letters but none have responded.

Action Clerk

Hedge – Working party to trim the top growth Saturday 13th December, 10.30am weather is pending. **Action Cllrs Mander, Warren, Wilcox and Phare**

Cllrs Ursell and Phare to meet with Rex Sanders for a final decision on the facing of memorials. **Action Cllrs Ursell, Phare**

7. Allotment hedge - Cllr Mander to see if work is needed on the inside of the hedge.
Action Cllr Mander

8. Sponsorship of services – All Cllrs agreed in principle to the sponsorship of the Litter Picker. John Holmes will be asked if he would wear a fluorescent jacket with advertising. Cllr Ursell to liaise with Homeweb. **Action Cllr Ursell**

9. Improving the state of the village campaign – update Clerk

Meeting closed: 21:00

Cllr Richard Phare

Chair Willand Environment Committee