

## SPETISBURY PARISH COUNCIL

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### Minutes of the Spetisbury Parish Council Meeting held at 7.45pm on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023 in the Village Hall.

Cllrs present: S Dunhill (Chair), S Hall, A Cummings, K Bew, S Woodford

Members of the Public: 3

#### Agenda:

**23/62. To Receive Apologies:** Cllrs Adams, Rutherford, Kerby (DC)

**23/63. Declaration of Interest and Grant of Dispensation:** None

#### **23/64. Open Forum:**

The recent Fire Risk Assessment carried out identified that the alarm system may need updating. Clerk to contact Wessex Fire & Security for advice.

The area denoting the site for the Silhouette Soldier has been taped off. It was requested that any bulbs dug up should be replanted before the area is sprayed.

The Chairman expressed the Council's thanks to all the organisers of the Spetisbury Festival events.

#### **Items for Decision:**

**23/65. Minutes of the Meeting Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023 were agreed and signed by Cllr Dunhill.** Proposed Cllr Bew, seconded Cllr Woodford.

**23/66. Dog Bins/ Footpaths:** Mr Boardman confirmed that the overgrown vegetation will be dealt with over the next 2/3 weeks. Clerk to contact landowners regarding the overhanging hedges etc at North Farm/ Home Plantation.

It was agreed that further dog waste signs be purchased for the trailway. The Mead committee have purchased signs for that area.

Clerk to contact DWP re moving the bin at the end of Louse Lane onto the actual trailway and making the dog waste signs on the bins more visible.

Signed

*S Dunhill*

Dated

3rd July 2023

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**23/67. Village Gardening Contract:** The Clerk reported that the existing contractors are rather reactive and that the village garden and the hall garden are overgrown. It was proposed that the clerk draws up a draft contract for approval prior to putting out to tender.

**23/68. Speed Limits through the Village:** The Department for Transport and Dorset Council policy is that 20 mph limits are not to be applied to A roads where movement of vehicles is a priority. Several villages on the A350 have applied and been turned down. It was proposed by Cllr Hall, seconded by Cllr Bew, that a sub-committee be set up to discuss options. Volunteers will be sought.

**23/69. To Approve Financial Statement and list of payments and sign the same:** A copy of the accounting statement for May was displayed to Councillors and approved. Proposed by Cllr Woodford, seconded by Cllr Bew, signed by Cllr Dunhill.

**23/70. Correspondence and Clerk's report:** A list of emails circulated was displayed. Highways – the clerk gave a summary of the reply from the Community Highways Officer. Dorset Council no longer authorise the use of mirrors at junctions for safety reasons. Clerk to ask what alternative solutions there are for Crawford Bridge crossroads. Approval was given for gates to be installed. Clerk to contact the owners of North Farm solar to ask them to commit funds as agreed by the previous owners. Pavement outside the School has been cleared.

**23/71. To confirm date of next Meeting as Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023 at 7.45pm.**

The Meeting closed at 8.29pm.

Signed *S Dunhill*

Dated 3rd July 2023