

SPETISBURY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Spetisbury Parish Council Meeting held at 7.45pm on 4th September 2023 in the Village Hall.

Cllrs present: K Bew, S Hall, A Cummings, S Woodford, A Kerby (DC)

Members of the Public: 6

Agenda:

Councillor Bew was elected Chairman for the meeting.

23/87. To Receive Apologies: Cllrs Adams, Dunhill, Rutherford

23/88. Declaration of Interest and Grant of Dispensation: None

23/89. Open Forum:

A question was raised about a recent email sent from Spetisbury Events and whether the Parish Council was going to retract it and issue an apology. To be an agenda item in October.

The A350 closure in October will be from South Farm Lane to beyond Crawford Crossroads. Restricted access will be available to properties within the closure only.

A vote of thanks was proposed to Mr Oakley and his team of volunteers who have installed the Silhouette Soldier.

Items for Decision:

23/90. Minutes of the Meeting Monday 3rd July 2023 and Monday 7th August 2023 were agreed and signed by Cllr Bew. Proposed Cllr Hall, seconded Cllr Woodford.

Signed

S Woodford

Dated

2nd October 2023

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- 23/91. Traffic Working Party:** The list of volunteers was displayed and the councillors elected the following to serve on the committee: Cllr Hall, Jon Rayner, Claire Seymour, Martin Kerlogue, Sarah Henderson. Proposed Cllr Hall, seconded Cllr Cummings.
The Terms of Reference for the working party were agreed. Proposed Cllr Cummings, seconded Cllr Woodford.
- 23/92. Careline Contribution:** The Council currently funds one Careline for a resident at £52.65 per quarter with the resident paying £15 towards this. The fees are to increase to £63.18 pq and it was proposed by Cllr Cummins, seconded by Cllr Hall that we request an increase to £20 pq. Clerk to action.
- 23/93. River Warden - update:** Mr Collett gave an update to say that the weir pond at the Old Mill had been cleared and fencing and a gate are to be installed. Further shrub clearance to be undertaken. Usage of the pond etc to be monitored.
- 23/94. The Lodge – replacement of front door:** The front door needs replacing. Clerk to obtain 3 quotes.
- 23/95. Spetisbury/ Le Vast Twinning Association:** Only 3 replies were received from the requests for volunteers. It was decided that that, regretfully, the twinning with Le Vast will cease. Chairman to advise the mayor of Le Vast. Proposed Cllr Woodford, seconded Cllr Hall.
- 23/96. Lamppost Poppies – consider purchase:** The clerk has been requested to identify suitable sites for these and to purchase accordingly. Proposed Cllr Woodford, seconded Cllr Hall.
- 23/97. Additional Dog Waste Signs for the Trailway:** The Council have agreed that there are sufficient signs in place and the new bin signs are very clear.

Signed *S Woodford*

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23/98. Pavement by the School: Following the work carried out in the playground there is a concern that water will collect on the footway. Cllr Kerby to take forward to Highways.

23/99. Apple Day: This has now been resolved. No discussion.

23/100. To Approve Financial Statement and list of payments and sign the same:

A copy of the accounting statements for July and August were displayed to Councillors and signed by Cllr Bew. Proposed Cllr Woodford, seconded Cllr Hall.

23/101. Correspondence and Clerk's report: A list of emails circulated was displayed.

The annual audit has been completed with no outstanding issues.

Village Gateways – the North Farm Solar developers have confirmed that funding is agreed but may be delayed until early next year.

Signs for The Mead & the dog waste bin at Louse Lane – proofs shown to councillors; proposed Cllr Cummings, seconded Cllr Hall that we purchase 2 for the Mead and one for the dog bin.

23/102. To confirm date of next Meeting as Monday 2nd October 2023 at 7.45pm.

The Meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Signed

S Woodford

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