

DRAFT Summary Minutes of the Spetisbury Parish Council Meeting held at 7.45pm on 5th February 2024 in the Village Hall.

Cllrs present: S Dunhill, S Hall, S Woodford, R Rutherford, E Calnan, K Bew, A Cummings

Members of the Public: 5

Agenda

24/12. To Receive Apologies: Cllr Kerby (DC)

24/13. Declaration of Interest and Grant of Dispensation: None.

24/14. Open Forum:

Mr Kerlogue advised that the Hall has been booked as a Polling Station on 2nd May.

Fire Alarm upgrade completed. Cllr Woodford & Mr Kerlogue are to carry out a Risk Assessment regarding frequency of testing. Clerk to contact Dorset Lettings to ensure that 24 hours notice is given to tenants regarding access.

Items for Decision:

24/15. Minutes of the Meeting Monday 8th January 2024 were agreed and signed by Cllr Dunhill. Proposed Cllr Bew, seconded Cllr Rutherford.

24/16. To agree Electricity contract for the village hall: The clerk gave a presentation comparing 1 and 3 year fixed contracts. It was agreed to accept the 1 year fixed rate offer from SSE Direct. Proposed Cllr Bew seconded Cllr Hall.

24/17. D-Day 80th Anniversary: It was agreed that Cllr Cummings and the clerk liaise with Charlton Marshall PC. Clerk to contact his opposite number.

24/18. Update from Traffic Working Party: Cllr Hall gave an overview of current discussions. A count has taken place regarding crossings at the School which was inconclusive. Further counts to take place. A reminder to residents regarding parking on the pavement and hedge & shrub trimming will be issued.

24/19. Consider requesting 20mph zones in the village (not the A350): The Council agreed to support this initiative and if funding is required would endeavour to find this. Proposed Cllr Bew, seconded Cllr Woodford.

24/20. To Approve Financial Statement and list of payments and sign the same: A copy of the accounting statements for January were displayed to Councillors and signed by Cllr Dunhill. The Council also agreed payment of £2300 for a new boiler in the Old Priory Flat. Proposed Cllr Woodford, seconded Cllr Rutherford.

24/21. Correspondence and Clerk's report: A list of circulated emails was displayed.

Highways – the damaged sign at Clapcotts Farm entrance will not be reinstated as the welcome gates will replace this.

The unsatisfactory nature of the repairs to the trench in West End has been reported.

2024 Election – Nomination forms are available from the clerk. Adverts to be placed in the village media.

Defibrillator – notification was received that this had been utilised. An inspection took place and the system is fully working.

Vandalism – any instances of vandalism should be reported to the Police.

24/22. To confirm date of next Meeting as Monday 4th March 2024 at 7.45pm.

The Meeting closed at 8.35pm.