

SPETISBURY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Spetisbury Parish Council meeting held on 6th January 2020 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Cllrs present: A Cummings, K Adams, S Woodford, S Hall, N Houghton, K Bew

Members of the Public: 5

Agenda:

- 1. To Receive Apologies:** Cllrs Dunhill & Kerby (DC)
- 2. Declaration of Interest and Grant of Dispensation:** All Councillors present declared an interest in Items 5 & 6 and the Clerk granted pecuniary dispensation to those Councillors.
- 3. Open Forum:** Cllr Adams thanked the Church & the Clapcotts Farm owners for the fireworks display held on New Year's Day.

Items for Decision:

- 4. Minutes of the Meeting Monday 2nd December 2019 were agreed and then signed by Cllr Cummings.** Proposed Cllr Hall, seconded Cllr Woodford.
- 5. To Agree 2020/2021 Budget:** The Clerk presented the actuals v budget for the current financial year together with a projection for 2020/ 2021. An increased budget figure of £11000 for repairs was agreed and the overall budget approved. Proposed Cllr Hall, seconded Cllr Woodford.
- 6. To set the 2020/2021 Precept:** It was agreed that the precept remains at £7500. Proposed Cllr Houghton, seconded Cllr Bew.

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7. **To consider Planning Consultation 2/2019/1663/FUL – land at garden of Suvla Bay, High Street:** A full discussion took place and it was proposed by Cllr Hall, seconded by Cllr Houghton that the Parish Council objects on the grounds of over development of the site and the size of the proposed building in relation to surrounding properties. Cllr Woodford abstained.
8. **Village Playground:** Cllr Houghton advised that two meetings of the working party had taken place. The preference is for a “woodland” playground similar to the National Trust play areas. Costings are to be obtained and further meetings to be held.
9. **Village Hall Roof Repairs:** Cllr Woodford has obtained quotes of £1300 for removal of the asbestos soffits and £2400 for the scaffolding. A meeting with a contractor for the replacement soffits is arranged for 7th January. An extraordinary meeting will be held to discuss the full quotes when received.
10. **Speed Indicator Device:** The Clerk has received a positive reply from Voltalia regarding funding and is awaiting the results of the speed survey undertaken before Christmas. The council wish to consider a second SID and the Clerk is to progress this.
11. **To Receive Financial Statement and sign the same:** A copy of the accounting statement was displayed and signed by Cllr Cummings. Proposed Cllr Hall, seconded Cllr Adams.
12. **Correspondence and Clerk’s Report:** A list of all emails and letters received and circulated to councillors was displayed.
Committee Room blinds – Clerk has placed order. Cllr Cummings to chase contractor for fitting asap.
Defibrillator Training – the clerk has contacted Red Cross and given a choice of dates in January/ February.

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Business Rate Relief, 1st Floor Rooms – The Clerk has re-applied for rate relief given that the rooms are only for storage.

Hearing Loop – awaiting fitting date.

Permissive Paths, Home Plantation – a letter has been sent to the landowners but no reply received to date.

13. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 3rd February 2020 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall Committee Room.

14. Matters of Information and Interest: Cllr Houghton enquired about the possibility of using e-voting for pressing matters. This is not an option under the Local Government Act.

The Meeting closed at 8.25pm.

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