

**Minutes of Spaldwick Parish Council Meeting held at 7 pm  
Thursday 21 February 2013 in the Community Room at Spaldwick Primary School**

**Present:** Cllrs. Plummer (Chairman, presiding), Leach and Smith, the Clerk (Mr D Stowell)

1. **Apologies for absence** were received from Cllrs Jackson. Rimmer, Johnson and Rice
2. **Declarations of Interest** in relation to the agenda . none
3. **Public Open Forum** - not used. No members of the public present.
4. **Minutes of Meetings held 24 and 31 January 2013** were approved and signed.
5. **Matters arising from minutes** - none
6. **Finance**  
**The following payment was approved:**  
 100538, R P Johnson, reimbursement of materials bought from Huntingdon Timber & Roofing Supplies for repairs to shed in Church Lane, £101.26 (inc. £16.87 VAT)
7. **Planning**  
**New Planning Application**  
**1300085FUL**, Retrospective application for first floor balcony to the rear, 9 Ivy Way.  
 The action of the Clerk in responding to HDC as follows, after consultation with individual councillors, was ratified:  
 Spaldwick Parish Council has no objection to this application subject to the addition of the proposed opaque screen shown on the plans submitted.  
**The following Local Planning Authority decisions / reports were noted:**  
**1201357FUL**, Erection of a detached dwelling, Land at 19 Littlecotes Close . Following referral to Development Management Panel, **Permission granted**  
**1300055NMA**, Amendment to Planning Permission 1200876FUL to insert new obscure glazed window to side elevation at first floor level, 8 Ferriman Road . **Acceptable** on condition that the bathroom window shall be obscure glazed and top opening and shall be retained in perpetuity.  
**1201867FUL**, Single storey side and rear extension, 3 Royston Avenue . **Permission granted**, subject to conditions that footpath No 6 remains open and unobstructed at all times.  
**1201937CLPD**, Certificate of lawful proposed use for proposed loft conversion, 3 Royston Avenue . Certified to be **permitted development** subject to 150mm maximum protrusion of roof lights beyond plane of roof slope.  
**1201881FUL**, Extension to side of dwelling, 3 Mount Pleasant . revised drawings submitted 22/01 to correct errors pointed out in SPC comments . subsequently **Permission granted**.  
**1300045NMA**, Woolley Hill Wind Farm, Additional temporary construction areas added. Redesign of bridge crossing Ellington Brook. Redesign of substation compound and control building layout. These minor amendments are acceptable. **Consent granted**
8. **Queen Elizabeth's Diamond Jubilee Commemoration June 2012** . no progress reported regarding Bench and tree at Belton's Hill

- 9. Inspection / Repair / Replacement of Assets** . progress reports  
**Ferriman Road Play Area** . Cllr Rice reported everything satisfactory at 16 Feb 2013 except there are a few places where shrubs will shortly need trimming through the fence. N.B. Fergusons have confirmed that they will prune the shrubs first week in March.
- 10. Litter / Dog Bins** . It was noted that HDC has installed a bin at the High Street end of Long Lane, but that the site in Ferriman Road at the entrance to the Open Space is not considered suitable. The Clerk was asked to discuss alternatives with HDC including: near school entrance, near the pumping station or the Lime tree in High Street.
- 11. Highways, footpaths, byways etc.**  
**Complaint from resident re condition of Spaldwick to Stow Longa Road** . one bad pothole has been repaired. Other priority areas will be reported to CCC.  
**Flooding in Stow Road** . The broken grate which was a traffic hazard has been replaced but the flooding problem due to faulty drains remains. This will be tackled by CCC in April when funds become available.  
**Footbridge on footpath 15** - CCC propose to erect a new bridge over Ellington Brook at a height of 1m above the surrounding land (as agreed by Environment Agency) subject to there being no objection from the land owner.  
**Parish Paths and Future Partnerships meeting** . 2 representatives invited from each parish. Mick Ager will represent Spaldwick at Over Community Centre, 7 March 6.30 pm. Cllr Leach indicated that he would also attend if free that evening.
- 12. Correspondence**  
**Care Network Cambridgeshire** . information re setting up Community cafés, lunch clubs, mobile wardens and community car schemes; and details of a free Help at Home scheme for 3 weeks after a hospital stay or illness and with help for one off tasks at other times. A poster advertising a meeting in the Community Room on 5 February to look at setting up a community car scheme in Spaldwick was included.  
**Citizens Advice Bureau** . details of the new Rural Cambs service being offered in Huntingdon and St Neots have been announced. Contact information is on Notice Boards.  
**Huntingdonshire Beekeepers Association** . a list of beekeepers prepared to collect swarms has been received. This is available at <http://www.huntsbka.org.uk/> or from the Clerk, who will also ask if reference to the information can be put In Spaldwick News and on the Spaldwick website.
- 13. Any other business** . the Chairman raised the following matters:  
**Speedwatch** . the Clerk was asked to thank the team for continuing to run Speedwatch sessions.  
**Oil Spillage, Mount Pleasant** . this is now very obvious in a neighbour's garden and in the adjacent field. The Clerk will ask Environmental Health for an update on any action proposed.  
**Faulty light in Mount Pleasant** - The Clerk will investigate and report any problem to CCC.  
**Spaldwick News** . In response to an enquiry from the Chairman, John Blatch has said that the costs are just about being covered by the 100 Club and advertising, but he is coming to the stage where he would like to step down from producing it. There is therefore a need to identify someone who will take this on.
- 14. Next Meeting**  
 Thursday 21 March 2013 at 7 pm