

MINUTES

Spaldwick Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 21st November 2019 at 8.00pm in Spaldwick Community Room

Chairman Steve Fane de Salis

Present: S Fane de Salis, (Chairman) S. Jackson-Rimmer, Richard Johnson, J Pope

19/11/1 To Receive Apologies and Reasons for Non-Attendance G Smith

19/11/2 Declarations of Interests for Members (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) – NONE

19/11/3 To Receive and Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 17 October 2019

Cllr J Pope proposed signing and approval of the minutes as a true record of the meeting. Seconded by Cllr S Jackson-Rimmer. Carried unanimously.

19/11/4 Matters arising from those Minutes

The Chairman extended his thanks to Cllr Mike Robinsons for his service and assistance during the past four years.

19/11/5 Public Open Forum

Each person wishing to address the council will be allowed to speak for a maximum of 5 minutes subject to the Chairman's discretion. This part cannot be longer than 10 minutes per item.

19/11/6 Planning To consider new planning consultations:

19/11/6.1. Replacements garage with first floor accommodation above garage and two storey front and side extensions. 6 Ivy Way Spaldwick Huntingdon PE28 0UN Ref. No: 19/01961/HHFUL | Received: Tue 01 Oct 2019 | Validated: Mon 21 Oct 2019 | Status: In progress Determined by planning authority. WITHDRAWN

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19/11/6.2. Insertion of velux conservation roof lights, deletion of side elevation windows and amendment to internal layout. Land East Of Ivy House High Street Spaldwick Ref. No: 19/01922/NMA | Received: Wed 25 Sep 2019 | Validated: Thu 26 Sep 2019 | Status: REFUSED

19/11/6.3. Construction of 1 no single-storey affordable dwelling to land to the West of Long Lane Spaldwick Land West Side Of Long Lane Spaldwick. Ref. No: 19/01595/FUL | Received: Fri 09 Aug 2019 | Validated: Fri 09 Aug 2019 | Status: Refused

19/11/6.4 Proposed extension to existing dwelling The Old Barn 22 High Street Spaldwick
Huntingdon PE28 0TD Ref. No: 19/01470/HHFUL | Received: Sat 20 Jul 2019 | Validated: Wed 31 Jul
2019 | Status: APPROVED

19/11/7 Finance Balance at 11 November 2019 £78,718.59

19/11/7.1 Expenditure for approval

Payee Description and Amount

Y Karl Cleaning of Community Room £40

The Royal British Legion wreath £18.50

Alconbury and Ellington internal drainage board £12.56

Envelopes and printing for Bin stickers £9.98

Approval for payments Proposed by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Pope, all in favour, carried unanimously.

At this point Ian Gardener addressed the meeting. He announced in the forthcoming elections he will be standing as Conservative District Councillor.

He advised that from 9th December the new A14 bypass will open and therefore there will be no access to A14 from Spittals as the A14 to Godmanchester will be closed in order to demolish viaduct. And begin works on reconfiguring the new access roads in and around Huntingdon over the next 12 months.

Ellington parish council expressed a desire to create a bridle path with Spaldwick and join up to A1 Alconbury and Brampton, the County Council suggest a green way with rough surface not tarmac; and a process is now underway to get local landowners onside and get a route agreed

The PCC is interested in principle, landowners need to be on side in the first instance

Propose Cllr Fane de Salis, seconded by Cllr J Pope and all in favour

It was noted that the cycle path Easton/Spaldwick overgrown and requests to public highways to do a maintenance visit

Alconbury Weald Civic Hub is scheduled to be completed by December 2020.

New budget settlements after been delayed until after the election 13th December 2019

Cllr Fane de Sallis asked about the 2020 Tour of Cambridgeshire updates and routes Sunday 7th June

The route will include Catworth Kimbolton Stow Longa Spaldwick and Barham with significant road closures during the day.

Discussion no meeting next month December all meetings rescheduled at county level as well due to election next meeting 16th January

19/11/8 Assets – Provision/Maintenance

19/11/8.1 Monthly Ferriman Road Play Area

Inspection revealed brambles growing through the playground surface to the swings, the paintwork needs refreshing and plastic cover inserts missing on some of the bolts.

Cllr Fane de Sallis will source some plastic covers

19/11/8.2 Play ground inspection report by Wicksteed showed some of the equipment beginning to rust and concerns were raised regarding brambles growing into the play area

19/11/8.3 Update regarding energy switch for provision of energy to street lamp on Church Lane.

All papers are now signed and everything in place and this be billed separately.

19/11/9 Highways, footpaths, byways, gritting bin, trees, etc

19/11/9.1 Complaint received regarding footpath 13 between Easton and Spaldwick, update

The ongoing complaint regarding footpath no 13; the landowner has reinstated the footpath under his responsibility, but it doesn't join the other side of the field. The local enforcement office and footpath Officer from the CC have been out to inspect and are happy with the current status.

19/11/9.2 Hedges around play area and open space.

Uwe and Linda and another resident have been cutting back overgrown vegetation around the play area and another resident has also offered with more work.

However a complaint has been received from a resident who disagreed and felt their privacy has been taken away

It was agreed that the work to clear the hedges and brambles should continue due to the danger for children using the play equipment and the overgrown state of the hedging.

Hedges around the open space need cutting back especially those bordering onto Ferriman Rd properties, a contractor has been suggested who can help with this.

19/11/9.3 It is proposed to lift the crown of the small trees which are the responsibility of PC to allow the grass to be cut underneath.

Cllr Johnson and Cllr Fane de Sallis have done some of them and there are a few more left to do

19/11/9.4 A complaint has been received regarding the crab apple tree on the open space dropping crab apples. This is causing a mess and the request is to remove the tree or allow others to remove it.

The council proposes not to allow anyone to damage or remove the tree .

Proposed Cllr Fane de Sallis and seconded by Cllr S Jackson-Rimmer, all in favour and carried unanimously

19/11/9.5 Update regarding stickers for wheelie bins.

498 stickers in 80 packs have been distributed through the High Street, Thrapston Rd and Stow Rd, there are a few a let over for any residents who would like them. Some residents in Ferriman Rd complained that drivers go to fast, Cllr Jackson-Rimmer proposed to get different stickers to slow drivers down. Cllr Fane de Sallis thanked Cllr Jackson-Rimmer for the time and effort in distributing the packs around the village

19/11/9.6 Update regarding dog poo bag dispensers.

No further new but it is hoped to extend the scheme on the kissing gate on the field and down on long lane with permission from Highways and Byways

One resident has asked if the white road markings can be redone on the village green

19/11/10 Community Room.

19/11/10.1 New water boiler purchased

The new water boiler has been purchased and in use.

19/11/10.2 Consider replacing the kettles due to their poor condition (complaints received that one does not work); prices are

Swan Catering 3.5l 2200w	£39.99
Igenix 3.5l 2200w.	£33.49
Haden 2.5l 2200w.	£45.00

Prop Cllr Fane de Sallis 2nd Cllr Pope, all in favour carried unanimously

19/11/10.3 New tables have been purchased and placed in Community Room

19/11/10.4 Consider the purchase of an internal notice board to be discussed at the next meeting

19/11/10.5 Consider the purchase of an external sign, to be discussed at the next meeting

19/11/10.6 PAT Testing in progress

19/11/10.7 Fire extinguisher test in progress

19/11/10.8 Request received from HDC to use the Community Room as a Polling Station on Thursday 12 December 2019 at a cost of £76.

19/11/11 Parish Council Laptop Consider replacing the laptop due to very slow response time, update from Cllr J Pope who has had a look at the laptop. It has now been cleared & updated so should now run faster and be in good order.

19/11/12 Correspondence 19/11/12.1 A resident has raised concerns about the location of the Bus Stop on High Street, Parked vehicles cause a problem at this location.

Cllr Fane de Sallis has spoken to the bus routes provider who suggested 2 options. The PCS can pay for markings on the road which might stop people parking; or can we look at a bus stop on Stow Road. Cllr Johnson will endeavour to speak with the residents who use the service for the opinions on a new location of a bus stop.

19/11/12.2 Notification from Elections Manager that District Councillor Jim White is resigning and his position will be filled in the forthcoming election.

19/11/12.3 Parish Councillor Ian Harriman has tendered his resignation due to unavailability.

Cllr Fane de Salis thanked him for his help and support over the last four years and stated that his position can be filled by co option as the required Notice has been displayed for the statutory 14 days with no request for an election.

19/11/12.4 Consider co-opting to fill the vacancy created by Mike Robinson's resignation.

Shane Parfrey is willing to be co-opted and is the only candidate to come forward.

Proposed by Cllr Fane de Sallis, seconded by Cllr R Johnson and all in favour, carried unanimously

19/11/13 Councillors' questions Please note that no decisions can lawfully be made under this item. Business must be specified therefore the Council cannot lawfully raise matters for decision.

Steve mentioned briefly tour of Cambridgeshire proposed route Sunday 7th June, 1000s take part in the route Peterborough showground

Enquiries regarding hiring of the room and costs of for the launch of the Community Coffee afternoon and whether to charge or not, more information is requested

Cllr Jackson-Rimmer reported 2 occasions of alarm going off in Community Room and it would be useful to have a keyholders telephone number.

Cllr Fane de Sallis to speak with Mrs L Worrel about notices and numbers

Citizens Advise Bureau have asked for a donation from local councils: it was decided to decline sending a donation in this instance.

The Old Swan pharmacy in Kimbolton doing a travel clinic and post office in there now

19/11/14 Date of the next meeting: Thu 16 January 2020 at 8pm at the Community Room

Meeting closed at 9.06pm