

MINUTES

Extraordinary meeting of Spaldwick Parish Council held on **Friday 11th August 2023** at 6pm in Spaldwick Community Room.

Chair: Sharan Jackson-Rimmer

Present: Councillors, S Jackson-Rimmer (SJR- Chair), S Parfrey (SP), J O'Dwyer (JO'D), G Rice (GR), S Cardwell (Clerk) and two members of the public.

23/8/1 To Receive Apologies and Reasons for Non-Attendance- S Fane de Salis (SFdS), R Johnson (RJ).

23/8/2 Declarations of Interests for Members (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests)- Cllr SP is the homeowner for item 23/8/4.1.

23/8/3 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- Two members of the Spaldwick Community Allotment Association addressed the Council regarding the theft of the allotment site wooden gates and thanking them for calling the meeting. They stated that they believe a metal bar gate would be a suitable alternative for the site (guide price £130-£165 and not made-to order). The entrance is currently blocked by pallets but a chain might be useful pending replacement gates.

23/8/4 Planning

To consider new planning consultations

23/8/4.1 References: 23/01411/HHFUL & 23/01412/LBC

Application Received: 27 Jul 2023

Address: 38 High Street Spaldwick Huntingdon PE28 0TD

Proposal: Re-roofing works, including insulation and the insertion of two dormer windows and rooflights. Repairs to chimneys.

Status: In progress

-Cllr SP left the room.

Following discussions, Cllr GR proposed the Council recommend approval of the planning application based on the proposed work being essential repairs to maintain the character of the building and all in-keeping with the street scene. This was seconded by Cllr JO'D and carried.

-Cllr SP rejoined the meeting.

23/8/5 Finance

23/8/5.1 To discuss purchase of an emergency chain and padlock for the allotments entrance- Following discussions regarding keeping the site secure in the interim, Cllr SJR proposed the Council approve purchase of an emergency chain and padlock by the Allotment Association; this was seconded by Cllr SP and carried unanimously.

23/8/5.2 To discuss replacement of the stolen entrance gates to the allotments site- The Clerk updated the Council regarding an email received from the insurance company detailing the potential for a review given two identical claims within 12 months; a police report has also been made. Following discussions regarding the requirements for the site and feedback from the Allotment Association members present, Cllr JO'D proposed replacement with a metal bar gate; this was seconded by Cllr GR and carried unanimously. Clerk to contact insurance company and R. Purser of West Farm who completed the previous installations to arrange.

23/8/6 Councillors' questions- Defibrillator to be discussed further next meeting, pub to be investigated as a potential location.

23/8/7 **Date of the next meeting:** Thursday 21st September.

The meeting closed at 6.30pm.

Signed:
Chair

Date: