

SPARSHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at Memorial Hall, Sparsholt on Thursday 15 January 2015

Present:

Mrs S Wood (Chairman)
Mrs S Annesley
M I Hay
Mr J Little
Mr A Osmond
Mr N Reid
Mr R Summerfield
Mr S Wooles

1. In Attendance

Mrs J Whittle (Clerk), District Councillor Caroline Horrill and one member of the public.

2. Declarations of Interest

None declared.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on 18 December 2014 which had previously been circulated were agreed and duly signed as a true record.

4. Apologies

Mrs K Cobbold, Cllr P Bailey, PCSO Kerry Croutear.

5. Public Session

No issues were raised during the public session.

6. Matters arising from previous meetings not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda.

RS informed the meeting that the possible textile recycling bin is to be discussed at the next meeting of the Memorial Hall Committee.

7. District Councillor Caroline Horrill Annex E

8. County Councillor Phil Bailey. No report.

9. Police Annex I.

10. Finance

(a) Financial Situation as at 15 January 2015. Annex C had previously been circulated. Receipts of £2494.14 were noted and approval given for payments PV51-PV61.

(b) Budget 2014-15

Annex D had previous been circulated. Agreed and approved.

(c) Agreed to appoint Mrs Jill Judge to position of Parish Clerk/Responsible Finance Officer with effect from 1 March 2015 for 10 hours a week 52 weeks a year at Scale Point 23 rising to Scale Point 24 after satisfactory completion of 6 months. The contract to be in line with the SLCC/NALC Model contract.

Action Clerk

(d) Agreed to employ both current clerk and new clerk for the month of March 2015 at a cost of £450

(e) Agreed that the salary for the current clerk is to be increased with effect from 1 January 2015 in line with the NJC agreement from £505.50 per month to £516.60 and to make a non-consolidated payment of £27 (FTE £100).

Action Clerk

(f) Agreed to appoint Mr J K Murray as internal auditor for the year 2015-16.

Action Clerk

11. Planning

(a) Current applications and recent decisions by WCC: Annex A which had previously been circulated. was noted and approved.

(b) JL to attend the course on Neighbourhood Planning on 13 February. Clerk agreed to book this.

Action Clerk

12. Highways Annex G

In addition results of the survey of volumes and speed of traffic through the village (Annex F) were discussed.

SWd is still trying to contact Sarah Lees about the school travel plan and SW agreed to talk with Highways about what could be done to alleviate traffic problems associated with Sparsholt College.

13. Sparsholt School. No report. SWd reported that Victoria Parker is now Chairman of FOSS

14. Playground

The Clerk circulated the most recent weekly inspection report. The goalmouth is still outstanding . Swd will contact Mrs Dean about further estimates for its repair. NR will contact Stuart Dunbar-Dempsey at WCC about repair to goalmouth as it is on WCC land.

Action SWd/NR

15. The Well House

The Clerk reported that there is still no reply from Mr Barron about the renewal of the Well House lease. NR agreed to chase. The Clerk was asked to send a copy of both the letter to AB and the old lease to NR

Action Clerk

IH will obtain quotes for repair of the roof to Well House

Action IH

16. Footpaths and Ham Green

IH reported that everywhere is very muddy. CH was going to arrange a meeting between SWd and IH and those at WCC and HCC responsible for funding maintenance of footpaths but this hasn't yet happened. SWd to chase.

Action SWd

IH will contact Mr Craig Harvey about the gateway to the cricket pitch which is in a poor state.

Action IH

17. Memorial Hall (Annex H).

18. Notice Boards IH reported this is in hand

19. Community Defibrillator

The defibrillator has now been ordered and it has been agreed to locate it in the porch of the Memorial Hall. Agreed that the Parish Council will pay the cost of the installation.

20. Annual Parish Meeting Deferred until February meeting.

Action Clerk

21. Annual Parish Clean-Up

RS agreed to organise this on 28 March. The Clerk to obtain equipment from WCC and make posters to advertise. JL to place an item about the clean up on the website.

Action RS/JL/Clerk

22. Date of Next Meeting

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.55. The next meeting of Sparsholt Parish Council is to be on Thursday 19 February 2015 at 7.30 in the Mosaic Room of the Memorial Hall, Sparsholt.

Signed..... Date.....