

SPARSHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

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

Member:

Cllr Sue Wood (Chairman)	P
Cllr Stewart Wooles (Vice Chairman)	P
Cllr S Annesley	P (from Item 6)
Cllr Katy Cobbold	P
Cllr Ian Hay	P
Cllr John Little	P
Cllr Andrew Osmond	
Cllr Richard Summerfield	P
Cllr Nigel Reid	P

P = present at the meeting

In Attendance:

Mrs J Judge (Clerk)

1. Apologies

No apologies were received

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

3. Public Session

A resident explained his proposed extension plans at Downs Cottage and expectation that a planning application would be submitted shortly.

4. Minutes of Meeting held on 17 September 2015

Minutes of the meeting held on 17 September which had previously been circulated were agreed, and duly signed as a true record.

5. Matters arising from meeting held on 20 August 2015 which are not on the agenda

All actions had been completed with no matters arising

6. To consider a report from the Anaerobic Digester Working Group

Following the consultation event at Sparsholt College on Thursday 24 September:

- A list of questions had been sent to Ecotricity to aid understanding of the Green Gas Mill proposal ahead of the expected planning application. Receipt had been acknowledged and a reply awaited.
- Ecotricity had declined an invitation to attend a village meeting citing consultation sessions held at Sparsholt College in April 2014 and September 2015. Ecotricity anticipated a further session at the College following submission of planning application.

It was resolved that the Clerk would request under the Freedom of Information Act the pre-application planning statement referred to in the delegated decision document dated 19 January 2015 (Case No: 14/02672/SCREEN – Request for a screening opinion under the EIA Regulations for proposed biomass anaerobic digestion facility- Sparsholt College).

Action: Clerk

7. Developing a Parish Plan – update from Cllr Annesley

At its latest meeting the Parish Plan group had focussed on the compilation of the questionnaire that would be sent out to all residents of Sparsholt. This would contain questions on the topics of Village Ambience and Amenities, Communications, Housing, Traffic and Roads and Environment. It was

anticipated the majority of the questionnaire would be completed by mid-November though the Housing Survey may take longer to draft.

8. Planning

The following approvals were noted:

- 15/01730/FUL The Thatched House Church Lane – Erection of summerhouse in rear garden (WITHIN THE CURTILAGE OF A LISTED BUILDING)
- 15/01797/TPC The Thatched House Church Lane - 1 no. Yew to crown Lift to 4m and canopy sides cut back to 4.5m from trunk on The Thatched House side of the tree
- 15/01978/TPC The Thatched House Church Lane – 1 no. Conifer to remove a low wayward branch (T1), 1 no. Conifer to fell (T2), 3 no. Yews to crown lift to 4m and cut back 3m from the property to protect the building, prune back branches to make clear of power and telecommunications cables (T3, T4 and T5), 1 no. unspecified to crown lift to 4m and cut back 3m from the property (T6)

Decisions were awaited for:

- 15/01678/FUL Balldown Business Centre – Wernick Ltd – extension of existing external storage areas and distribution roads
- 15/01959/FUL 1 Lambourne Close – two storey extension to front and side, recladding to existing conservatory and associated alternations
- 15/01950/FUL Crabwood Farm House Sarum Road – Creation of a new cross-over and driveway and the erection of a new garage building (WITHIN THE CURTILAGE OF A LISTED BUILDING)

New applications

- 15/02192/FUL Farley Mead Woodman Lane – Erection of a timber conservatory
Cllr Wood had visited the site and been notified that an amended plan was to be submitted. The application was supported by councillors with the condition that new plans showed only minor alterations as described the owner.

A number of parishioners had raised concerns about planning. These concerns included:

- Planning decisions and the role of the Parish Council
- Activities taking place in the village for which no planning permission had been sought

It was suggested that the next newsletter (to be published end November) incorporate an article highlighting the planning process and communication and a reminder of the ethos of the Village Design Statement and Conservation Appraisal. A draft would be prepared for discussion and form an agenda item for the meeting of 19 November.

The next meeting of Sparsholt Parish Council is to be on Thursday 19th November at 7.30pm in the Mosaic room of the Memorial Hall, Sparsholt.

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