

# SPARSHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at Memorial Hall, Sparsholt on Thursday 21 August 2014

## **Present:**

1. Mrs S Wood (Chairman)  
Mr S Wooles (Vice Chairman)  
Mr I Hay  
Mr J Little  
Mr R Summerfield

## **2. In Attendance**

Mrs J Whittle (Clerk), District Councillor Caroline Horrill and 14 members of the public.

## **3. Declarations of Interest**

None

## **4. Minutes of the previous meeting**

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

## **6. Apologies**

Mr N Reid and Mr A Osmond.

## **7. Public Session**

No issues were raised except those raised under Highways.

## **8. Matters arising from previous meetings which are not dealt with elsewhere.**

17 July 2014 Item 9 Speed monitoring on Stockbridge Road: Still outstanding

**KC/Police**

17 July 2014 Item 12 Training and Item 18 Sparsholt Shop Lease: Finance Group will submit a report to September meeting.

**Finance Group**

17 July 2014 Item 18 The Well House: Outstanding

**IH**

17 July 2014 Item 21 Notice boards and walks map: Outstanding

**IH**

17 July 2014 Item 23 Defibrillator. September meeting

**Clerk**

## **9. Vacancy on the Parish Council.**

The Clerk reported that there is still a vacancy as a result of insufficient candidates at the election in May. In addition Philip Goater has resigned. The Clerk has posted a notice of vacancy on the notice board and if there is not a request for an election by 10 electors by 2 September then the Parish Council may co-opt to fill the vacancy. Agreed unanimously to co-opt Mrs Cobbold to the vacancy. The Clerk was requested to provide Mrs Cobbold with the necessary paperwork and information and to place the remaining vacancy on the September agenda.

**Action Clerk**

## **10. Highways**

There was a discussion to identify highways problems in preparation for a meeting of the Parish Council, district councillor Horrill and council officers. (Annex C)

## **11. Planning**

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

Agreed in retrospect the objection to application 14/01616/FUL Wind turbine at Sparsholt College (Annex D). District Cllr Horrill has asked for this to be decided by Planning Committee. Cllr Horrill advised the meeting that WCC has requested an environmental impact assessment be provided.

(b) Enforcement Cases: Annex B had previously been circulated. Consultation documents for the planning application for Buttercup Field has still not been received

(c) Local Plan: WCC Local Plan part 1 has been tested in the court. WCC won the case. WCC is to vote on Part 2 in the autumn and will then be out for consultation.

(d) VDS: Still awaiting printing.

**Action NR**

(e) Planning Policy: Copies of the Housing Needs Survey completed in 2004 were circulated. SWd asked if there is a need to complete an up to date survey. IH was concerned about the cost of such an exercise. Agreed that Cllr Horrill will ask Debbie Rhodes from WCC if there funding is available

to carry out a new survey. All councillors to read the old survey ready for discussion at the October meeting. The Clerk was asked to place this item on the agenda. **Action ALL Cllrs/CH/Clerk**

**12. Date of Next Meeting**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.05. The next meeting of Sparsholt Parish Council is to be on Thursday 18 September 2014 at 7.30 in the Mosaic Room of the Memorial Hall, Sparsholt.

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