SPARSHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at Memorial Hall, Sparsholt on Thursday 17 September 2015

Member:

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

P = present at the meeting

In Attendance:

Mrs J Judge (Clerk)
County Cllr P Bailey (to Item 6)

1. Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr R Summerfield. City Cllr Horrill was unable to attend and would provide a report.

2. Public Session

There was no public session with no members of the public attending.

3. Minutes of Meeting held on 20 August 2015

Minutes of the meeting held on 20 August which had previously been circulated were agreed, and duly signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising from meeting held on 16 July 2015 which are not on the agenda

All actions had been completed with no matters arising.

5. County and City Councillor Reports

County Cllr Bailey explained that future cuts to reduce the government deficit effectively meant a 10% pa cash reduction over the next four years at County level. It was anticipated pressure would intensify on expenditure in such areas as grass cutting, weed control, line marking and local traffic management schemes. Cllr Bailey therefore suggested that SPC might consider looking at the Parish Lengthsman Scheme. This had been previously discussed by councillors and not pursued due to health and safety implications. Cllr Bailey would forward details of "allowable activities" to enable further review.Cllr Bailey left the meeting.

Action: Cllr Bailey

6. Portfolios

Highways

Cllr Wooles had provided a report - Annex E

Footpaths

Cllr Hay had provided a report – Annex E

Item 9 SPC Minutes August 2015 a review of Contractual Arrangements had taken place. It was agreed that the Footpath Maintenance Contract with P Yeates continue with a limit of £500 pa on the value of the work to be carried out.

Action: Clerk

Playground

Cllr Reid had nothing specific to report.

Sparsholt Memorial Hall

Cllr Summerfield had provided a report – Annex E

Sparsholt School

No report.

Police Liaison

No report.

Sparsholt Shop

The Clerk had received a message that Mr Mort hoped to commence roof work during the second week of October and would give one week's notice.

Communication

Leaflets and an accompanying letter relating to the Sparsholt College's public consultation had been distributed to all parishioners.

Developing a Parish Plan – update

Cllr Annesley, the Parish representative, said that an initial meeting had taken place. Other Parish Plans and questionnaires had been examined and a second meeting was scheduled. The group was very small and other volunteers were being sought.

7. Planning

The following approvals were noted:

- 15/01424/FUL Cuckmere Ham Green (RETROSPECTIVE) Change of use of part of outbuilding to 1.no.bed holiday let. Note: Approval following a hearing at which Sparsholt Parish Council had objected.
- 15/01523/PNSOL Sparsholt College Installation of solar PV panels on the roof of the Sports Centre
- 15/01524/PNSOL Garston Farm Westley Lane Installation of solar panels 2 farm buildings
- 15/01525/PNSOL Sparsholt College Installation of solar panels on 13 college campus buildings

Decisions were awaited for:

- 15/01678/FUL Balldown Business Centre Wernick Ltd extension of existing external storage areas and distribution roads
- 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 1no. 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 1no. 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)

New applications

- 15/01959/FUL 1 Lambourne Close two storey extension to front and side, recladding to existing conservatory and associated alternations
 It was agreed that Cllr Little and Cllr Reid would visit the site to enable better understanding of the proposed works and report back to all.

 Action: NWR, JWL
- 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) It was agreed to support this application.

 Action: Clerk

8. <u>Sparsholt College – Proposed biomass anaerobic digestion facility – update on College's communication plans</u>

With the date of public consultation announced leaflets provided by the College together with an accompanying letter from the Chair had been distributed to all parishioners.

It was disappointing that the announced consultation was taking place at the College with no event scheduled at the Village Hall as requested. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Tim Jackson,

Principal of Sparsholt College, requesting details of the mini bus service to be provided by the College for those having mobility difficulty.

Action: Clerk

It was agreed that a small working group consisting of Cllr S Wood, Cllr Annesley, Cllr J Little, Cllr A Osmond and Cllr S Wooles would be set up ahead of planning application for the proposed biomass anaerobic digestion facility.

9. Finance

Current Financial Statement (Annex C)

The Financial Statement had previously been circulated. Approval was given for payments PV30 to PV44.

Budget Update (Annex D)

The budget for 2015-16 had previously been circulated. This was noted with £1000 set aside for potential Parish Plan expenses and £500 for a possible village celebration of the Queen's 90th birthday.

10. Meeting Dates 2016

The following dates were agreed: Thursday 21 January, Thursday 18 February (Planning only), Thursday 17 March, WEDNESDAY 20 April – Annual Parish Meeting, Wednesday 20 April (Planning only), Thursday 19 May (SPC Annual General Meeting), Thursday 16 June (Planning only), Thursday 21 July, Thursday 18 August (Planning only), Thursday 15 September, Thursday 20 October (Planning only), Thursday 17 November, Thursday 15 December (Planning only)

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05pm. The next meeting of Sparsholt Parish Council is to be on Thursday 15th October at 7.30pm in the Mosaic room of the Memorial Hall, Sparsholt.

Signed	Date
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