

Minutes of a meeting of Spreyton Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 21st January 2015 at 7.30 pm.

Present: K Whitaker (Chairman), J Talbot, E Osborn-Hodge, W Porritt and C Wootton (Clerk). Also P Ridgers (WDBC), M Hulme and 13 members of the public.

1 Apologies: E Collins.

2 Minutes of the meeting held on 19th November 2014.

2.1 Having been previously circulated the minutes were agreed and signed.

3 Matters arising: None.

4 Interests in Agenda items:None.

5 Highways and footpaths.

5.1 The main street through the village will be closed for patching 10-12th March.

5.2 A single surface dressing will hopefully be made in 2016.

5.3 The drains around the eastern end of the Village Green are still not working properly.

6 The Old Chapel vehicular access across the Village Green

6.1 Mr Clark has responded to the Valuation Office's figure of £10,000 as consideration by making an offer of £7,500. This is considerably less than the figure of £8,750 paid to use an already existing driveway in 2006. The Parish Council is not prepared to negotiate or to accept a lower figure than £10,000.

7 Budget and precept for 2015/2016

7.1 The Council adopted a Budget showing expenditure of £1938 and agreed a precept figure of £1800 (including Council Tax Support Grant). Consideration for granting The Old Chapel right of way after expenses and a VAT refund will be received in next year.

8 Donation to Spreyton PCC re burial assistance.

8.1 It was resolved to make a donation of £50 as previously.

9 Annual Parish Meeting 25th March 2016

9.1 It was agreed to invite Cllrs McInnes and Ridgers as in previous years.

9.2 The local NHS Care Commissioning Group has offered to send a representative and it was agreed to invite a representative to the Meeting.

10 Wind Turbines

10.1 Mike Hulme gave an update to the meeting regarding Den Brook. He has submitted a request to appeal the High Court decision. He has met Mel Stride MP who is supportive. It is considered the WDBC decision is flawed particularly in resisting his evidence. Could look into a complaint to the Local Government Ombudsman.

10.2 The North Beer application ducks the issue of amplitude modulation and uses the 2007 report from Salford University which is discredited and out of date. A professional noise assessment should be commissioned and submitted to WDBC. The Parish Council agreed to make a contribution towards the cost of a report – a figure of £250 was subsequently agreed.

11 Planning matters: None.

12 Accounts to pay: None.

Cheques drawn:

414	13.12.14	Valuation Office Agency	£746.93
415	21.01.15	Spreyton PCC	£50.00

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm.