

Minutes of a meeting of Spreyton Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 17th January 2017 at 7.30 pm.

Present: K Whitaker (Chairman), D Hawking (Vice Chairman), C Collins, K Gallop, J Talbot, E Osborn-Hodge and C Wootton (Clerk). Also M Hann, J Porritt and W Porritt.

1 Apologies: None. Absent J Lee.

2 Minutes of the meeting held on 15th November 2016

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

3 Matters arising:

3.1 The plan of village properties is still a work in progress Cllrs Gallop and Hawking are liaising.

4 Interests in agenda matters/dispensations: None.

5 TAP funds/capital projects

5.1 Availability of funds was discussed at the last Link Committee meeting which Cllr Lee attended. She was absent from the meeting and the item will be held over to the next meeting. Individual projects can now be applied for.

6 Highways and footpaths

6.1 More details re Road Warden/Snow Warden schemes will be sought from Darryl Jagger. We still have 3 tonnes of road salt in store.

6.2 The electronic traffic signs are still being looked into and will be discussed again at next meeting.

7 Eco/toilet/toilet for churchyard

7.1 There are issues to be resolved re connection to sewer and location. A site meeting will be held.

7.2 Planning permission will be required. Would be permanent structure not eco toilet.

8 Budget and precept 2017-2018

8.1 The Council agreed a budget for routine expenditure of £1609.

8.2 It was agreed to extend the bin emptying to include that sited near the Village Hall and shop.

8.3 The various proposed capital projects were not included as will be met from reserves and grants.

8.4 The precept will be kept at £1701 plus Local Government Support Grant.

9 Donation to Spreyton PCC re churchyard maintenance

9.1 It was resolved to make an increased donation of £150.

10 Annual parish Meeting 28th March 2017

10.1 It was agreed to extend the usual invitations to Cllrs McInnes (DCC) Ridgers (WDBC) to attend.

10.2 It was agreed to invite a speaker from Devon Air Ambulance Trust.

10.3 If a DAAT speaker was not available the Police Link Officer will be invited.

11 Road safety/provision of grit bins

11.1 Road safety was discussed under item 6.

11.1 It was agreed not to proceed with the installation of grit bins for the time being.

12 Community helicopter landing site

12.1 It was considered that the playing field would be a suitable site.

12.2 A site meeting will be arranged with a representative of Devon Air Ambulance Trust.

13 Planning matters

13.1 An application has been made by Mr M Hann for retrospective permission for a first floor extension at Cullaford Cottage. Mr Hann addressed the meeting. No objection. Mr Hann will not be renewing his licence for waste disposal tipping.

13.2 A prior notice application for a barn at Oak Tree Farm has been declined.

13.3 Mr V Bennett has submitted an application to move the entrance to Spreyton Farm. Considered to be an improvement as the existing entrance will be hedged off. Supported subject to clarification of the width of the new entrance and visibility splay.

13.4 The Skywood situation has gone to appeal in Bristol decision expected within ten weeks.

13.5 Prior notice for barn conversions at Great Begbeer and Begbeer has been granted.

13.6 There will be a prior notice application by F Hawkins for a barn conversion at Downhayes.

14 Accounts to pay: None.

Cheques drawn: 444 20.12.16 West Devon Borough Council £7.20 (bin emptying)
445 17.01.17 Spreyton PCC £150.00 (donation)

The meeting closed at 8.55 pm.