

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF SPARKFORD PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 10 JANUARY 2022 AT 8.00PM**

Present: Mr L Piper – Chairman, Mr A Quick, Mr T Tuck, Mr A Voysey
In attendance: Mrs L Davis

The meeting started at 8.13pm.

SPC101 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. Mike Lewis

SPC102 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

SPC103 APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES

The minutes of the 6 December 2021 meeting were agreed.

SPC104 COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

There was no update received.

SPC105 PLANNING DECISIONS

- a) 21/03161/HOU Proposed single storey extension to dwelling and replacement garage/workshop extension with first floor extension above with balcony. Hill View, Weston Bampfylde Road, Weston Bampfylde.
Application permitted with conditions
- b) 20/03623/HOU Conversion of existing car port/garage to form an annexe (revision to approval 19/02746/HOU). Little Weston House, Little Weston Road, Sparkford. **Application permitted with conditions.**
- c) 20/03629/LBC Conversion of existing car port/garage to form an annexe (revision to approval 19/02747/LBC). Little Weston House, Little Weston Road, Sparkford. **Application permitted with conditions.**
- d) 21/00413/FUL Erection of an acoustic bund. Sparkford Hall, Sparkford Road, Sparkford. **Application withdrawn**
- e) 21/02091/HOU Remove conservatory to front elevation. Remove lean to porch to rear elevation. Construct one single storey extension to side elevation and a single storey utility room to rear. Woodlands, Cary Road, Sparkford. **Application permitted with conditions**

SPC106 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- a) **21/03630/S73A** S73A application for the variation of planning conditions pursuant to outline planning application 18/00810/OUT. Land at Cherry Pie Lane, Sparkford. **Councillors objected to the variation of conditions due to lack of detail included in the application. It was agreed to seek further clarification from SSDC Planning.**
- b) **21/03815/DPO** Modification of planning obligation made on 23rd May 2019 between SSDC, SCC and Sparkford LVA LLP; to ensure the S106 pursuant to 18/00810/OUT is tied to 21/03630/S73A. Land at Cherry Pie Lane, Sparkford. **Councillors had no objections to this application**

providing that no amendments were made to the obligations agreed as part of the S106.

SPC107 MATTERS ARISING NOT INCLUDED IN OTHER SECTIONS

- a) **Sparkford Village Hall land transfer – to consider quotes and agree appointment of Solicitor** Three Solicitors had been asked for quotes and two had been received. These quotes were considered and it was agreed to appoint Battens Solicitors to deal with this matter.
TT asked that it was noted that there are persistent problems with access and parking in Bennett Close due to developers and contractors and that there are continuing issues with the street cleaning at Bennett Close.
- b) **Daisy Wood – consider quotes for gate and tree survey** LP had met with three Tree Surgeons but no quotes had been received to date. The Clerk had contacted four local companies to request quotes for a tree survey but none had been received to date. It was agreed to purchase and install two gates at the entrance to Daisy Wood. TT would confirm the costs for supply and fitting for the gate and posts.
- c) **Speed Indicator Device (SID) – consider quotes for installation of SID**
TT presented three quotes for the purchase of two SID's. It was agreed to accept the quote from ElanCity subject to the appropriate permissions being agreed with SCC Highways. TT advised that the existing poles would need to be replaced with larger posts. TT agreed to get quotes for the replacement posts and the Clerk would contact Gary Warren at SCC Highways to discuss any permissions needed for this work.

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SPC108 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a) **Payment to Mrs L Davis (Parish Clerk salary)** Approved
- b) **Payment of £198.00 to Flaydemouse (website hosting 2021-22)**
Approved
- c) **Payment of £250.00 to Greenslade Taylor Hunt (playing field rent)**
Approved
- d) **Payment of £50.00 to Independent Numbers (running of payroll 2020-21)** Approved
- e) **Request from New Village Hall Steering Group for £50 for Parish Survey prize** Approved
- f) **Agree budget and precept for 2022/23** the Clerk was asked to circulate options for the precept increasing between 3% – 7% and an Extraordinary meeting would be arranged to agree the precept for 2022/23.

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SPC109 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 7 February 2022

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05pm

PUBLIC NOTICES

Neighbourhood Development Plan – we are keen to produce a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) for Sparkford but this is not possible without a group of committed volunteers to lead and progress the work involved. If you are interested and would like to get involved with this then please contact the Parish Clerk.

Neighbourhood Watch – we are looking to re-instate the Neighbourhood Watch scheme. If you would like to get involved then please contact the Parish Clerk.

Speedwatch – we are looking for additional volunteers to get involved with Speedwatch in the Parish. If you are interested then please contact the Parish Clerk.