

MINUTES OF SPROATLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**HELD ON TUESDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2023****PRESENT**

Madam Chairman: A. Dalton Vice Chairman: N Smales
 Councillors: M Cockbill, G Fairbairn, S Greenbank, D Gunnis, J Jackson,
 C Tomlinson, J Urry & T Wright
 Apologies: H Buck

1 member of the public in attendance

(2335) Crime Figures & Anti-Social Behaviour

October –

14/10/23 theft from motor vehicle Westlands Road, Satnav and blue badge stolen

17/10/23 Criminal damage Main Road

(2458) Rathlin Energy Liaison Committee

Ongoing

(2542) St Swithins Church

Fund currently stands at £63,406 this includes the £5000 grant received.

The flower arranging event raised £235

Upcoming events are the Christmas Fayre on 18th November and carol singing on 13th December.

A public meeting is to be held on Wednesday 8th November where the plans will be shown and a discussion about future events.

(2581) Dyke near Village Hall

Cllr Greenbank had made several more investigations after the heavy rain and the outcome is that the dyke does need to be cleared of all the sludge and debris. The cost to hire a digger to do this would be £100 approximately and Cllrs Greenbank and Jackson would be able to carry out the work. All agreed to the cost of the digger hire.

(2594) Road markings Park Road

Ongoing.

(2598) Planning application GB Bio Limited

Ongoing

(2602) Traffic calming

Clerk read out an email received from Jonathan Dunning-Davies from Hedon Police giving an update on the Prolaser speed gun and our concerns over speeding issues through the village.

He asked for specific times and places so he can try to attend with the Prolaser and target drivers.

After a discussion Cllr's would appreciate any resource available from the Police and believe the best times would be between 8am-9am and 5pm-6pm at both the Main Road near the Blue Bell and Boggle Lane near the School.

Clerk to email Jonathan with details.

(2619) Emergency Plan

Ongoing

Signed Date

(2627) Armistice day

After completing several more forms, the road closure had been agreed, however ERYC need to send a representative to supervise the event as nobody from the parish council had attended a safety training course. Clerk had notification that there was an upcoming course in December and Cllr Greenbank said he would be able to attend, Clerk will pass on his details to ERYC.

(2628) Community Governance Review

Ongoing

(2631) Christmas tree & lights

Clerk has sent the insurance forms and other information to ERYC and advised just need to get the Christmas lights PAT tested. Cllr Gunnis said he could arrange for this to be done by the same person as last year with a cost of approximately £25 - all agreed and in favour.

The school have asked if they could have a table serving tea and coffee on The Green on the night with funds going towards FOSSA – all agreed ok.

(2632) Transport Forum

Cllr Cockbill had attended a meeting to discuss the national bus strategy which is looking to improve the bus services across the UK.

Cllr Cockbill summarised that ERYC had done a lot of work trying to retain the services and although they subsidise the buses all they can do is to try and influence the bus companies final decisions. They have listened to all concerns but if the bus company does not want to run the service due to lack of usage etc it will not.

Cllr Cockbill also advised that a lot of the villages do not have any bus service so thinks we are lucky to have what we do have.

(2633) Precept

Clerk provided Income and Expenditure for the current year.

Further discussion to take place next meeting when Clerk should have received further details on the Taxbase and precept.

Correspondence**Accounts for payment**

Mrs E Mitchell	Clerks Wages October 2023	£376.67
L & K Warcup	Bench fitting	£390.00
E-On	Electricity The Green	£ 19.52
E-On	Electricity The Green	£ 18.89
Mr D Gunnis	Transformer for Christmas lights	£ 23.98

Cllr Jackson proposed, Cllr Smales seconded – all in favour.

Council Box

3 letters received from residents all requesting if the Council could look into an additional public litter bin on Boggle Lane. Cllr's agreed this would be a good idea. Clerk to contact ERYC for further details and cost.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm

Signed Date