

MINUTES OF SPROATLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2024

PRESENT

Madam Chairman: A. Dalton Vice Chairman: N Smales
 Councillors: M Cockbill, S Greenbank, D Gunnis, G Fairbairn, J Jackson, P Styche & J Urry

Apologies: C Tomlinson
 1 member of the public in attendance

Madam Chairman introduced & welcomed Cllr Styche

(2335) Crime Figures & Anti-Social Behaviour

July – nothing
 August -nothing

(2458) Rathlin Energy Liaison Committee

No update received

(2542) St Swithins Church

Fund currently stands at £77,629.73 which includes a further £3,000 from Father Sproat from America. The recently submitted grant application was unsuccessful on this occasion, however, Denise Wilson has applied again.

Upcoming events -

23/11 Christmas Fayre

15/12 Hull Male Voice Choir

There will be no carol singing this year.

(2594) Road markings Park Road

Ongoing – Clerk will try and get an update

(2602) Traffic calming

Clerk had received an email from Samantha Whyte with information about a funding opportunity for flashing speed signs. Clerk will contact ERYC for further details/costs etc.

(2627) Armistice Day/War memorial

Madam Chairman had submitted the road closure forms to ERYC. However, there are now further costs and restrictions required for road closures and also the requirement for someone to attend a Safety Lantra Course to enable us to hold the service at the original War Memorial.

Madam Chairman made a suggestion to hold the service on The Green at the new Memorial where no road closure would be required and allowing the school children to safely attend. Cllr Greenbank advised he could acquire cones & chevron tape for safety and a gazebo could be put up if it was raining.

The date was discussed and Monday 11th November was agreed to enable the school children to attend.

Providing a buffet afterwards was also discussed and the possibility of offering tea and cakes at the Memorial Hall rather than the Constable Arms was suggested. However, agreement to set a budget of £150 as the event was over catered for last year.

To be decided at next meeting.

Cllr Urry & Gunnis also advised that the war memorial still needs to be cleaned at the top but this needs to be done with extreme care to prevent any damage.

(2628) Community Governance Review

Clerk had received an email from ERYC advising that individual letters will be sent to each parish in the next 4-6 weeks to confirm final recommendations.

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(2640) Sproatley Playing Field

Kirsty Mills had forwarded a quote from S Dawson Agricultural Services for £70 per cut which she had calculated would be half the cost of the existing contractor. Clerk had replied to Kirsty to confirm we were happy for this contractor to take on the work.

(2646) Grass cutting The Green

Clerk read out letter from the Syndicate of Horticulture saying they were disappointed we had cancelled their services after so many years and the final invoice had been sent for payment.

Cllr Jackson has cut the grass 6 times up to now and everyone agreed how good it was looking.

(2647) Community Maintenance Team

Cllr's Jackson & Smales suggested setting up a group for volunteers to help with jobs around the village. It was discussed this was good idea for community spirit and mental health. Cllr Smales will put a post on Facebook to get initial interest.

(2648) Public Footpath Signs

Cllr Jackson had recently spoken to Andrew Chudley from ERYC who advised that the Parish Council could install the public footpath signs if they had public liability insurance.

Cllrs Smales and Greenbank had listed and taken photos of all the signs around the village and how many replacements were required.

Clerk to contact Andrew Chudley confirming insurance was held and requesting replacement signs to be delivered to Cllr Jackson.

(2649) Defibrillator relocation

Due to the new owners of the shop owning a fish & chip shop van which needs to be parked on their drive the defibrillator needs to be relocated for accessibility.

New sites were discussed including the Memorial Hall and the telephone box with a vote of 5 votes to 3 for the Memorial Hall. Cllr's Smales & Greenbank are going to look into further details and further possible sites for the defibrillator.

(2650) Sproatley Collective Group

Clerk advised of a new group set up to include all the groups and clubs in the village and to have the support of the Parish Council to enable joint events to be arranged. A recent Have A Go Day had taken place for children to take part in football, tennis & archery both on the playing field and at Burton Constable. This had raised £175 for the church fund.

Correspondence

Cllr Greenbank had been to the property in Westlands Road and believes the main problem is that the footpath cambers, so all the water runs down into the bungalow.

Clerk had heard back from Samantha Whyte with the same response that ERYC do not own this land and suggested the homeowners contact the land registry to ascertain who owns the land.

Madam Chairman & Cllr Jackson had delivered the hamper to Harry Buck who really appreciated the gift.

Cllr's discussed buying a Stag gift voucher for Terry Wright for £75 - Cllr Jackson proposed Cllr Urry seconded all in favour – Clerk to arrange the voucher and card.

Clerk had received an email from a resident asking if they could help in ascertaining who owns the land/drive that joins the Constable Arms with the houses at Park Road so he could help to maintain the hedges. Cllr's believed this to be owned by a property behind Park Road. Clerk to go back to the resident with a response.

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Two applications had been received for the 2 Parish Council vacancies and therefore Pamela Styche & Jack Straker were both co-opted in on 5th August 2024.

Accounts for payment

Mrs E Mitchell	Clerks Wages July 2024	£ 376.67
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E-On	Electricity The Green	£ 22.21
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Syndicate of Horticulture	Maintenance The Green	£ 834.54
N Smales	Harry Buck hamper	£ 99.35

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

Council Box

Nothing

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Signed Date