

Spurstow Parish Council

Notice to Councillors & Residents

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18th May 2021

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Council to be held on Wednesday 26th May 2021 at 20:00 at Peckforton and Beeston Village Room.

The Council welcomes attendance by members of the public.

Agenda - Quarterly Council Meeting

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Declaration of interests – Members to declare any interests under the following categories:
- Pecuniary interests, Outside body interests, Family, friend or close associate interests.
3. Approve the minutes of last meeting - Matters arising and vote for acceptance
4. Open Forum (15 minutes).
5. Planning correspondence, applications, current, and outstanding- Please note that an updated list of current applications will be supplied to Councillors in the week of the meeting.
6. Update from alternative ways to manage speed group and the Safety Camera on the A49
7. Highways Issues
8. Correspondence.
9. Clerk's report, to include completion of the Council's Annual Governance and Accountability Return ("AGAR") for the period to 31st March 2021, and, if considered appropriate, to authorise:
 - the Clerk and Chairman to sign the AGAR.
 - the Clerk to submit the AGAR before 2nd July 2021 to sba@pkf-l.com.
 - the Clerk to make arrangements for the exercise of public rights in relation to the AGAR.
10. Chairman's Report to include an update on the Spurstow Community Support Scheme.
11. Consideration of how the Council should work with Nicola Swinnerton, Rights of Way Officer for South Cheshire East, so that local networks can be pro-actively managed, following receipt of the note below,

If you love getting out and about and being active in the local countryside, then I would like to hear from you. I've recently started as the Rights of Way Officer in the south of the Borough and I'm keen to connect with people who can support me in keeping local paths open and available for the public. I'm looking for people to be my eyes and ears, carrying out path inspections, waymarking paths and perhaps even carrying out light cutting back of vegetation from around signposts, gates and stiles. I'm also keen to work with parish councils that would like to carry out annual inspections of their local footpaths. The local network can then be proactively managed and improved in a co-ordinated way, rather than addressing individual issues as and when they are reported to the Council. If you have any suggestions for improving the local path network and

12. Consideration of whether the Council should draw up a Community Resilience Plan following receipt of the note below from Cheshire East Council

The recent Flooding events in January, caused by Storm Christoph, has again highlighted the importance and need for Community Resilience. We at the Joint Cheshire Emergency Planning Team (JCEPT) would like to assist you in the creation of Community Emergency Plans. These plans would form your initial response during any number of potential emergencies that could happen within your towns and parishes. The document would be produced, maintained and owned by yourselves. We at JCEPT would assist you on your journey and provide you with direction and guidance in producing this document. Local emergency responders will always have to prioritise those in greatest needs during an emergency, especially where life is in danger. There will be times when you may be affected by an emergency but your life is not in immediate danger. During this time, individuals and communities may need to rely on their own resources to ensure they are able to cope with the consequences of the emergency. Many communities already spontaneously help each other in times of need, but previous experience has shown that those who have spent time planning and preparing for emergencies are better able to cope, and recover more quickly reducing the overall impact on people's lives. Having a Community Emergency Plan would help you to assist your communities whenever an emergency strikes. It would also assist the Blue Lights Services by having an organised community response in place for when they arrive. The plan would be activated by yourselves and where possible during the making, you would involve the community and advertise the existence of such a plan.

13. Finance Update and payments due: -

14. Date of next meeting

Dates of meetings for the year to May 2022 to be agreed.