

Spurstow Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Council

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3rd September 2025

A meeting of Spurstow Parish Council was held at St Boniface Church, Bunbury immediately after the Annual Parish Meeting on Wednesday 21st March 2025. The Council welcomed attendance by members of the public.

Agenda

- 1. Apologies for absence.** Cllr. Bell gave apologies on behalf of Cllr. Finney. Present:- Ian Jones (Chair) , Stuart Lea (Vice Chair), Councillors Nell Jones, Katherine Hutchinson, Barry Bell, Jonathan Middlemiss. Ian Jones, the new Chair was congratulated on his appointment , and welcomed to the position.
- 2. Declaration of interests. Members to declare any interests under the following categories: - Pecuniary interests, outside body interests, family, friend or close associate interests.** None
- 3. Minutes of the previous meeting to be agreed.** Agreed.
- 4. To discuss any items raised by members of the public. To be considered under the Council's Standing Orders.** Cheshire East Cllr Becky Posnett attended the local Police cluster meeting with Cllr Bell. Cllr Posnett confirmed that she expected that Spurstow Parish and Haughton Parish would be incorporated in the Bunbury Ward rather than the Wrenbury Ward of Cheshire East Council by 2027. There was some concern about invasions of privacy by drones in Haughton, a report of theft of motorised garden equipment from a shed in Spurstow, and theft of a narrowboat from Bunbury. The Op Park Safe campaign has been launched. The Safety Camera at the junction of School Lane and the A49 been activated some 574 times, of which 443 activations had been processed. (The camera at Alpraham had had 731 activations, of which 299 were processed.
- 5. To receive the Clerk's Report, to include any planning items which come to hand after issue of this agenda .** It was noted that Spurstow Parish Council had received £ 2,714.92 Community Infrastructure Levy, which can be used for (amongst other things) provision or maintenance of (amongst other things) flood defences, woodlands and highways, within 5 years, several outline plans were discussed, several ideas. The Council considered seeking the views of the parish about what action should be taken with the street lights. The Clerk was asked to check whether the damaged village sign on the A49 was covered by the Council's insurance.
- 6. To discuss recent progress with Cheshire East Council about street lighting in Spurstow.** Barry Bell has enquired of a previous Chair for any documentation that he may have indicating that Cheshire East Council had made a commitment to adopting the street lights. The Clerk was asked to send a copy of the existing electricity contract to Nell Jones.
- 7. To discuss the caravan on Long Lane** There has been noticeable activity at the site from various official-looking visitors at the site, which is a lot tidier, there has been a period with no dogs,
- 8. Speed Indicating Device.** This is still on Long Lane since the last meeting,
- 9. Any other business raised by Councillors.** None.
- 10. There being no other business the meeting closed at 20:20**