

Spurstow Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting held on 25th May 2023

Clerk: C Jones, Rose Cottage, Spurstow CW6 9TG clerk@spurstow.org.uk

20th August 2023

A meeting of the Council was held at St Boniface Church on Thursday 25th May 2023 immediately following the Annual Parish Meeting. The meeting commenced at 20:05. The Council welcomed attendance by members of the public.

Agenda

- 1. Apologies for absence.** Chris Crompton, Jonathan Middlemiss
- 2. Present** – Katherine Hutchinson, Nell Jones, Barry Bell, Gordon Whitehead, Reynold Finney
Chris Jones and Stuart Lea in attendance.
- 3. Declaration of interests – Members to declare any interests under the following categories: - Pecuniary interests, Outside body interests, Family, friend or close associate interests.** None
- 4. Minutes of the previous meeting.** Agreed, as proposed by Cllr. Jones, and seconded by Cllr. Finney.
- 5. Flooding on Long Lane.** Cllr Finney has spoken to Ellie at Cheshire East telling her that there had been flooding at several properties on 31st March he met with representatives of Cheshire East who were to jet out the gully near Green Butts, and encouraged them to jet out the gully across the road and then watched them jet the gulleys by Springfield Cottage, The issue appeared to have been 30-40 metres of pipe at the border of Springfield Cottage , and eventually jetted towards the field, he then called Stan Davies about the flooding in his field. Cllr. Hutchinson said that she thought that Paul Reeves was the official responsible for flooding of buildings, gardens and fields, and will contact him
- 6. Climate Emergency.** Cllr Hutchinson suggested that Spurstow Parish Council offer warm support to the campaign to re-open Beeston Castle Station, and encourage walking in the summer.
- 7. Planning applications, current, and outstanding.** It is believed that Cheshire East have withdrawn many of their objections to the application for the 25 houses in Bunbury and that there is a new application with more provision for starter homes. The Clerk is to check on the progress of the planning appeal concerning Green Butts.
- 8. To discuss possible road safety improvements to the junction of Cappers Lane and Long lane.** This was discussed with Cllr Pearson of CEC.
- 9. Speed Indicating Device.** It was agreed to put it on Nursery lane and nearer to Haughton. The clerk has jubilee-clipped the cover to the light on Nursery lane and Stuart Lea has cleared a several drains and gulleys in the area as well, to great thanks from the Councillors.
- 10. Caravan on Cappers Lane.** The Chair and Clerk will provide an update at the meeting. Chair and Clerk have met with Mr and Mrs Barlow of Spurstow Hall, who felt that they were unable to say that the space in question was not part of the Spurstow Hall Estate. There was some discussion about whether to put a fence around part of the land, thus creating a Spurstow Parish Council Wildlife Garden.
- 11. May 2023 Elections and Composition of the Council.** The Clerk will report to the meeting. All Councillors will need to sign new Register of Interest Forms and Declaration of Acceptance of Office forms– The Clerk will bring copies of the forms to the meeting for completion at the meeting, and submit them to the Monitoring Officer at Cheshire East Council, after they are completed. Any Councillors who would like to take part in the training offered by ChALC, and haven't yet had a chance to take the course will have an opportunity to ask the Clerk to book the course for them. It was agreed to co-opt Stuart Lea to the Council,

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The meeting closed at 21:45

Meeting Dates

19:00 21st September 2023

19:00 30th November 2023

19:00 21st March 2024

19:00 23rd May 2024