

# Spaxton Parish Council – Annual Parish Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held at 7.54 pm on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2006 at Spaxton Village Hall.

		<b>Action</b>
i)	Members present: The Chairman – Mr D Jeanes, Mr J Edwards, Mr P Williams, Mr M Stevens, Mr V Hughes, Mr B Porter, Mr V Massey, Mrs D Richards.	
ii)	District Councilors present: Mr D Joslin.	
iii)	Members of the public present: Mr S Stretton, Mrs J Rigdon.	
1.	Apologies for absence: Mr J Edney & Mr K Dyer.	
2.	Declaration of Member's interests: None	
3.	The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2006 were read and approved.	
4.	Matters Arising: None	
5.	<p>Chairman's report: Mr D Jeanes reported that it had largely been an uneventful year, although he was delighted to be able to report that the Parish Council is offering the Village Hall Committee financial support towards the construction of a new servery and porch with disabled access. Other than that, it remained only for him to thank the clerk for her hard work throughout the year, and his fellow councilors for their commitment and support, especially Mr J Edwards. He expressed regret that Mr S Stretton's nomination paper did not arrive in time, but was glad that there nevertheless remained an opportunity to co-opt him to the one remaining vacancy. He then went on to thank the District and County Councillors for their support and regular attendance at meetings, and wished Mrs Cartwright well in her retirement.</p>	
6.	<p>District Councillors' report: Mr D Joslin outlined the major issue facing the District Council, namely the bid for a Unitary Authority for Somerset. He urged members to vote against this whenever an opportunity might present itself, believing that acceptance of the bid can mean only a lesser degree of democracy for parish councils.</p> <p>He mentioned that he, Ken Dyer and John Edney had been returned with significant majorities and would continue to endeavour to represent members' views to the best of their ability.</p> <p>He invited questions, but there were none.</p>	
7.	Resolutions for discussion: None.	
8.	Matters of report & items for the next meeting: None	
	The meeting closed at 8.02pm.	