

Spaxton Parish Council – Meeting MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held at 8:00 pm on Monday February 1st 2010 at Spaxton Village Hall.

		Action
i)	Members present: the Chairman – Mr D Jeanes, Mr V Hughes, Mr B Porter, Mr P Williams, Mr J Edwards and Mr R Adcock.	
ii)	District Councillors present: Mr D Joslin.	
iii)	Members of the public present: none.	
	No public session was requested.	
1.	Apologies for absence: Mr T Bird, Mr S Stretton, Mr J Edney and Mr K Dyer.	
2.	Declaration of members' interests: Mr R Adcock declared a personal & prejudicial interest in the planning application submitted by Mr J Temple, as a neighbour.	
3.	The minutes of the meeting held on Monday January 4th 2010 at Spaxton Village Hall were read and approved.	
4.	Matters Arising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affordable housing – the next meeting of the sub-committee is due to take place at the end of February, and they will therefore report back to the March meeting. 	
5.	Footpath: SALC: QHJAC: Parish Cluster Reports (as appropriate) –these were circulated prior to the meeting, but Mr J Edwards did give a brief report on the Cluster Group workshop held to discuss important issues potentially facing the Cluster. The number one priority was identified as being seeking to persuade SDC to negotiate with EDF to build a new road from J23 of the M5 out to Hinkley Point, creating a bridge over the River Parrett north of Bridgwater. The second priority was to resolve the congestion problems on the A39 caused by re-directed traffic after accidents / incidents.	
7.	Financial items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Statement of Accounts: current account: £976.73cr, capital reserve account £11951.37 cr. ii) Cheque no. 471 for £29 in favour of the Campaign to Protect Rural England with reference to subscription renewal was agreed. 	
8.	Planning items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) <u>Applications decided since last meeting</u>: as per the published agenda. ii) <u>New Applications</u>: 45/09/00041 Mr J Temple, change of use of studio to dwelling at The Studio, Lower Aisholt Farmhouse, Lower Aisholt – members were not satisfied that the applicant's plans for vehicular access were sound, given that the site lies on a bend and at a crossroads. The assumption that the likely inhabitants would probably possess only one car was also felt to be suspect. Members therefore objected to the proposal. 	
9.	Correspondence received: circulated at the meeting.	
10.	Matters of report & items for the next meeting: the clerk was reminded to speak to the Highways authority about the state of the roads in Spaxton following the recent bad weather. Mr B Porter had spoken to Mr Brohn and secured his agreement to the renovation of the village pump. The wheelie bins will be removed shortly.	
11.	Date & time of next meetings: as already decided, namely March 1 st , April 5 th and May 10 th 2010. All at 8pm at Spaxton Village Hall.	
	The meeting closed at 8.29pm.	