

Spaxton Parish Council – Special Meeting

MINUTES

Minutes of the special meeting held at 8:00 pm on Monday December 15th 2008 at Spaxton Village Hall.

i)	Members present: The Chairman – Mr D Jeanes, Mr V Hughes, Mr M Stevens, Mr P Williams, Mr R Adcock and Mrs D Richards.	Action
ii)	District Councillors present: none.	
iii)	Members of the public present: Miss C Jenner.	
	<p>Prior to the commencement of the formal meeting, a public session was held. Miss Jenner explained that she had been obliged to withdraw her planning application for an extension to 4, Stockholm Terrace, since she had become aware that the planning officer was minded to refuse permission. The officer wished part of the extension to be sited to the rear, and for the whole thing to be reduced in size. However, this would then take up 1/3 of Miss Jenner's garden and would not provide adequate additional space. Further, she could not understand their objection, since the proposal exactly mirrors the works carried out to the neighbouring property! She intends to re-submit the application, and requested the Parish Council's active support – members felt that they would like to offer that support, provided adequate planning justification for it could be found. The Chairman offered to speak with Mr K Dyer for guidance. Miss Jenner thanked the meeting and left at 8.14pm.</p>	
1.	Apologies for absence: Mr J Edwards, Mr S Stretton.	
2.	Declaration of member's interests: Mr P Williams declared a personal & prejudicial interest in the planning application submitted by Mr M Williams, as his brother. Mr D Jeanes declared a personal & prejudicial interest in his own planning application, and Mr M Stevens declared a personal & prejudicial interest in the planning application submitted by Mr & Mrs Ebsary as a neighbour of Mr Ebsary's parents.	
3.	<p>Planning items:</p> <p>i) Applications decided since last meeting: as per the published agenda. Mr P Williams left the meeting at 8.16pm</p> <p>ii) New Applications: 45/08/00032 Mr M Williams, erection of single-storey rear extension at Twinnell View, Peartwater Road, Spaxton – members voted to support this application on the basis that it does not in any way contravene planning policy. Mr P Williams then returned to the meeting, at 8.20pm. 45/08/00034 Mr A Kelly, listed buildings consent for tree works at Peart Hall, Church Road, Spaxton – no observations. Mr M Stevens left the room at 8.22pm. 45/08/00033 Mr & Mrs P Ebsary, erection of part 2-storey, part single-storey extension to W elevation at Martindale, Aisholt, Bridgwater – this is a much scaled-down proposal from that originally devised in June 2008, and had clearly followed extensive consultation with SDC. On this occasion, members had no observations to make. Mr M Stevens returned to the room at 8.30pm, at which point Mr D Jeanes left the room and Mr P Williams took the chair. 45/08/00031 F G Jeanes & Son Ltd, erection of agricultural building (phase 3) at Currypool Farm, Currypool, Cannington – there were no observations and Mr D Jeanes returned to the room at 8.36pm and resumed the chair.</p>	

4.	Finances – cheque number 000444 for £130 in favour of Gammonstake was agreed re the annual maintenance charge for the PC’s website.	
5.	Matters of report & items for the next meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members voted unanimously to ratify Mr J Edwards’ suggested responses re the Code of Conduct consultation. • Mr V Hughes asked whether the mobile home parked on land above Luxborough Farm in Aisholt was being used as a dwelling, but Mr R Adcock expressed the belief that it was simply being used as an office while the owners of Lydeard Hill Barn were renovating the barn. • Further complaints had been received about the absence of the minutes and agendas from the Spaxton noticeboard, and the clerk was asked to ensure that these are properly posted in future. • Mr P Williams mentioned that the hedge belonging to Simon Haswell near the junction of Charlynch Lane with the High Street was very overgrown, and the clerk was asked to speak with Mr Haswell, recommending that he arrange for the hedge to be trimmed. 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;">SF</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;">SF</div>
10.	Date & time of next meeting: Monday 12 th January 2009, at Spaxton Village Hall.	
	The meeting closed at 8.50pm.	