

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SPOFFORTH-WITH-STOCKELD PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE  
LONG MEMORIAL HALL, SPOFFORTH ON TUESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024 at 7:30PM**

**81556360      APOLOGIES**                      Cllr Paraskos, Cllr C Heslop

**81556361      PRESENT**                              Chairman S Fawcett, Cllr J Geddes, Cllr Marston, Cllr Moore,  
Cllr G Heslop, Cllr Parker Beevers

**81556362      ALSO PRESENT**                      No one else present

**81556363      DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

None to report

**81556364      THE MINUTES**

The minutes of the February meeting were presented and approved

**81556365      ACTION POINTS**

The action points were discussed and updated, as attached

**81556366      TO LISTEN TO THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL**

A member of the public came to the meeting, half-way through to ask if there could be further police presence in the village and whether the Parish Council could ask for more vigilance particularly around speeding. The Clerk will invite our representation to the next meeting.

**81556367      TO RECEIVE THE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

None to report

**81556368      TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT**

The Clerk has been in touch with BT regarding the anomalies for the charges which are far in excess of those agreed with Coun. Parker-Beevers. The Clerk will follow up to ensure that the Council is credited and the agreed payment is continued. Clerk to check each month.

**81556369 TO RECEIVE THE HANDYMAN'S REPORT**

The Handyman has trimmed the bush at the front of the Village Hall which was overhanging the pavement. There are many hedges/bushes that are overgrowing onto the foot paths in the village – Coun. Marston will contact The Old Vicarage for action on the overhanging trees on the Harrogate Road.

Coun. Parker Beevers and Geddes have been through the contents of the filing cabinets and reduced the paperwork. One filing cabinet has been cleared and taken away. The Council needs to create storage space for the future.

**81556370 TO RECEIVE THE FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS DUE FOR PAYMENT**

<b><u>March 2024 Income</u></b>	<b>Incoming</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Remuneration</b>	<b>Total</b>
E Spalding	£140.00			
WI	£50.00			
J Lunn	£25,000.00			
Young & Keogh	£140.00			
S Collings	£105.00			
Snooker Club	£165.00			
Monday Monkeys	£140.00			
WI	£25.00			
<b><u>To be paid in March 2024</u></b>				
J Steggles			£155.00	£155.00
David Thomas			£100.00	£100.00
Heidi Bowes			£230.00	£230.00
E Schofield			£361.65	£361.65
Stuart Oakes			£155.00	£155.00
NYCC Rates		£411.00		£411.00
Vision ICT (Website hosting)		£303.16		£303.16
Vision ICT (Email hosting)		£194.40		£194.40
Vision ICT (SLL Certificate)		£60.00		£60.00
NYCC Trade Waste		£5.65		£5.65
NYCC Trade Waste		£61.50		£61.50
J Geddes Expenses		£238.45		£238.45
EDF Gas		£1,630.49		£1,630.49
EDF Electricity		£141.27		£141.27
Aqua Wash		£45.00		£45.00
C Dutton		£256.28		£256.28
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£25,765.00</b>	<b>£3,347.20</b>	<b>£1,001.65</b>	<b>£4,348.85</b>

**81556371 TO NOTE OUTCOMES RELATING TO RECENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**NEW** – None to report

**APPROVED** – None to report

**REFUSED**

Low Lane Farm  
High Street  
Demolition of 3 agricultural buildings within the Spofforth conservation area

The council discussed if now that the planning has been refused what can be done about the roof that has clearly had work done/tiles removed? Clerk to contact NYCC planning to see if this can be reinstated.

**WITHDRAWN** – None to report

**APPEALED** – None to report

**81556372 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

White Rose update

**81556373 TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ABOUT COMMENTS AND ISSUES RAISED BY PARISH COUNCILLORS**

Cllr Marston contacted a Governor of Spofforth School to discuss the opportunity of having Parish Council representation on the Governing Body. The Governor has agreed to update the Parish Council a couple of times a year so will be invited to the May meeting.

Cllr Geddes met with the sewing group to discuss future storage at the Hall. Needs a discussion with Cllr. Marston and Wilf to execute the proposals. Cllr Geddes want to make a cupboard/storage for the WI sound system also so it doesn't get damaged. This will also free up room for storage on the stage for Monday Monkeys. There is storage available under the stage but it isn't very easy to access- Coun. Heslop to review the opportunities.

Additional work is required in the Snooker Room to safeguard the equipment there, and relay requirements from the Doctor such as the installation of CCTV equipment. The future rent for the Snooker Room was discussed and Coun. Geddes will discuss with Charles Hardcastle.

In light of the disruption likely whilst work is undertaken during the creation of the Doctors at the top of the Hall, it was agreed that there would be no increase in hall rents for the year ahead.

Cllr G Heslop to contact Gary Harland regarding the refurbishment of Spofforth Beacon for the D-Day commemoration service on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024, and to incorporate an 80 on the Beacon to reflect the number of years since the Battle of Britain.

Cllr Geddes to continue with getting quotes for updated sound system in village hall and the Parish Clerk will ask her company to quote as they will be very competitive.

**81556374 TO NOTE THE DATE, TIME, AND VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21:35pm

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April -  
Coun. Geddes gave her apologies.