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Minutes of the Spetisbury Parish Council Meeting held at 7.45pm on 3rd February 2025 in the Village Hall.

Cllrs present: S Dunhill (Chair) K Bew, S Woodford, M Cheesley, S Hall, R Rutherford, E Calnan, B Cooper (DC) Members of the Public: 2

Agenda

- 25/14. To Receive Apologies: None.
- 25/15. Declaration of Interest and Grant of Dispensation: None.
- 25/16. Ward Councillor Report: Cllr Cooper has arranged a meeting with Emma Salway regarding the road safety issues at the School/ West End.
 He advised that he had attended a site visit to discuss the ongoing flood issues at West End. Dorset Council are working on a solution. He also discussed additional road signage to be installed before the road narrows by the Church. This is in hand. The contract for the building of the new Recycling Centre has been signed.
 The Dorset Council budget is to be agreed next week. It is proposed at £448m. Adult & Child Social Care numbers are increasing.
- 25/17. Update from the Traffic Working Party: Mr Rayner reported that a new Community Highways Officer has been appointed.He advised that the figures for the Welsh 20mph experiment were encouraging regarding deceases in accidents and fatalities.
- 25/18. Open Forum: Mr Kerlogue advised that he was to stand down as Speedwatch co-ordinator. The Clerk will advertise for a replacement. The Chairman thanked Mr Kerlogue for his work in setting up and running the campaign. Cllr Cheesley asked that the Dorset Council Rangers team be thanked for fixing the stile at Jesty's field.

Signed	S Dunhill	Dated	3rd March 2025
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Items for Decision:

- 25/19. Minutes of the Meeting Monday 6th January 2025 were agreed and signed by Cllr Dunhill. Proposed Cllr Rutherford, seconded Cllr Bew.
- **25/20.** Update on moving to a ".gov.uk" domain: The clerk attended an online meeting with the Dept for Innovation & Technology and advised that the process is fairly simple. One of the approved Registrar's is Vision ICT who already host our current domain. It was proposed by Cllr Rutherford, seconded by Cllr Calnan that 3 quotes will not be required due to this.
- 25/21. 80th Anniversary of VE Day 8th May 2025: It was agreed that the beacon would be lit as part of the celebration.
- **25/22. To Approve Financial Statement and list of payments and sign the same:** A copy of the accounting statements for January were displayed to Councillors and signed by Cllr Dunhill. Proposed Cllr Hall, seconded Cllr Woodford.
- 25/23. Correspondence and Clerk's report: A list of circulated emails was displayed. The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Tuesday March 18th at 7.30pm. The gas smart meter installation has been rearranged for 3rd March. Overnight Closures of A350 at Sturminster Marshall have been rearranged for 26/28th February and 3rd/4th March.

25/24. To confirm date of next Meeting as Monday 3rd March 2025 at 7.45pm.

Meeting closed at 8.16pm.

Signed

S Dunhill

Dated 3rd March 2025