Draft Summary of the Minutes of the Spetisbury Parish Council Meeting held at 7.30pm on 2nd November 2026 in the Village Hall.

Cllrs present: S Dunhill (Chair), E Calnan, S Hall, R Rutherford, B Cooper (DC)

Members of the Public: 3

Agenda

26/106. To Receive Apologies: Cllrs Bew, Cheesley & Woodford.

26/107. Declaration of Interest and Grant of Dispensation: None.

26/108. Ward Councillor's Report: Cllr Cooper reported that he is still chasing the re- erection of the School sign by the Fromage field.

He reported that it is Dorset Council's proposal in the restructure is for Spetisbury to be grouped in a 3 councillor Blandford ward rather than the original proposal in the Stour Valley ward.

26/109. Open Forum: A request was made for the proposed 20mph speed limit to be for the whole village. It had never been intended to apply for 20mph through the whole village as informal discussions with Dorset Highways had previously confirmed that this would be rejected. See 26/112.

The Council expressed their sadness at the passing of Winston Leese. Their thoughts are with the family at this time.

Items for Decision:

26/110. Minutes of the Meeting Monday 5th October 2026 were agreed and signed by Cllr Dunhill. Proposed Cllr Calnan, seconded Cllr Rutherford.

26/111. To consider Planning Application P/VOL/2026/05528 – 37 High Street, Spetisbury: Carry out internal and external alterations including removal and replace plaster and external cement render, replace staircase, insert wall ties, replace windows and repair thatch roof west elevation (With variation of condition 4 of listed building consent P/LBC/2026/03194 - to amend the wording of the condition): This is an amendment to the original Listed Building Consent application which was approved by the Council. No objection. Proposed Cllr Hall, seconded Cllr Rutherford.

26/112. Update on 20mph application: This discussion took place mainly in the Open Forum. There will be a leaflet drop to all households inviting residents to sign an online petition for the 20mph zone at the busy crossing point adjacent to the School. A positive reaction from the majority of the village is required although this does not guarantee that the application will be approved.

26/113. The Lodge update: The redecoration has been completed and re-carpeting will take place on 12th November. The agents have been asked to commence marketing.

26/114. To Approve Financial Statements and list of payments for October and sign the same: A copy of the accounting statements were displayed to Councillors and signed by Cllr Dunhill. Proposed Cllr Calnan, seconded Cllr Hall.

26/115. Correspondence and Clerk's report: A list of circulated emails was displayed.

Hall floor – the dry rot was more extensive than first examined. Work now almost completed and costs have risen to £5820 as a result.

Rights of way Officer – a volunteer is still required.

New Year Fireworks – the School have kindly offered their field. A meeting is to be held later this week to carry out a risk assessment etc.

Remembrance Sunday – Cllr Calnan has agreed to lay the wreath.

26/116. To confirm date of next Meeting as Monday 7th December 2026 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 7.59pm.

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