

**Minutes of the Meeting of Gosberton Parish Council
held at the Public Hall on Monday 3rd March 2020**

Open Forum: Member of public attended to discuss the Gubboles Drove tender and poor condition of the land. Clerk to contact Brands & Son who have caused the damage with vehicles driving over the land.

Present: Councillors: John Clark (Chair), Jeremy Bennett, Emma Walters, Neil Oakman, Rowland Perry, Sue Thorley, Lisa Tweddell (Clerk).

Also present: County Councillor Rodney Grocock & District Councillors Henry Bingham & Simon Walsh.

1. **Apologies and reasons given.** Samantha Mumby & Tim Smith – work commitments. Reasons accepted.
2. **Declarations of interest and dispensation request for relevant items.**
None received.
3. **To approve and sign the minutes of meeting held on Monday 20th January 2019** - minutes were taken as read, approved and signed.
4. **Chairman's remarks and clerk's report.**
Clerk informed:
 - Cllr Perry has obtained some prices for planters for the War Memorial. Currently waiting on some prices for similar items from another company - to send out before next meeting for decision.
 - I was recently contacted by clerk for Barkston & Syston Parish Council who said ' recently, I spotted, in a LALC Circular, a mention of advice from NALC that Parishes should have a H&S Policy, and that this should include Councillors, who for H&S purposes should be classed as employees I spoke to a friend of mine who is a H&S expert to seek advice on the necessity/legality of all this. He went away to look into it, and came back with the advice that my PC should consider a policy. He used your parish's policy as an example of what we needed.' He went on to ask if he could copy and use our policy! So we are obviously doing something right!
 - Community Litter Pick arranged with the Co-op for Friday 27th March at the Church Hall. More details to follow.
 - VE Day Friday 8th May 2020 11am Celebration – Spalding Parish Church and Tuesday 23rd June 2020 Armed Forces Day Parade at Hall Place, Spalding, PE11 2RA.

- Email from Tony Crofts – Pride of South Holland – they are going to be running the Keep Britain Tidy campaign again this year. Gosberton is 26 March 2020 from 1300-1500 meeting at the Village Hall. The Pride Team will be on hand to do some deep cleaning. Tony would really appreciate anything anyone can do in regards to getting the word out early for any volunteers. Also, The Pride Team is continuing into 2020 so we can email Tony details as before, with pics if possible. Painting of the rails at cemetery can be carried out if we purchase paint- Hammerite or similar.
- 2 emails received from resident of Quadring Road regarding speed limits in the village and requesting a Traffic Regulation Order. Clerk contacted LCC but have yet to receive a response – will chase. Photos also sent of an incident on 26th February when a car ended up down a ditch. Cllr Grocock informed L.C.C. have many T.R.O. requests waiting with little funding to implement them. All County Councillors agree that speeding is an important issue and limits need reducing but there simply is not the funding available.
- Sunken drain at Lowgate repaired by LCC. No action to be taken regarding trees in Gosberton Risegate that Clerk reported. Parish Council to send a letter in few weeks nearer cutting season.
- Tree work completed by Malc Firth at Gosberton Playing field near street lights.

5. Pinchbeck United Football Club Ageement.

Progress being made: the goals are on order, the pitch marking and grass cutting will be done by Malc Firth. The porta loo will be sorted once the pitch is marked. They are hoping to be playing the within 2/3 weeks. Final pitch lay out to be sorted out this weekend. Car parking agreement sent to George Wallace. They have also been informed of the Summer Fair on weekend of 14th June where the field cannot be used.

6. **G.C.A.T. Summer Fair 2020** – Cllr Walters informed plans are going well. Refreshments providers and entertainers arranged along with vintage vehicles. A fly past has been requested. Cllr Walters hoped maybe the toilets that are placed by the Pinchbeck football team could be used and the Parish Council could make a contribution towards cost of providing another toilet with disabled access. District Councillors suggested GCAT make contact with them when full costings known as financial assistance could be available but without definite costs this would not be possible.

7. S.H.D.C. Highways Verge Cutting Agreement 2020/21 update

Councillor Bingham informed that the price was non-negotiable; the only way of reducing the price is to cut areas to be cut. Councillors Walters & Oakman are to look at areas on the map and report back at next meeting.

8. **To open tenders for Gubboles Drove wasteland.**

Resolved: to contact D E Brand & Sons regarding damage caused to land before letting land.

9. **Matters for urgent discussion in the parish not included elsewhere on the agenda.**

- Playing field update – Councillor Walters informed 3 quotes have been received for both the sensory garden and the play equipment. A plan was shown to everyone. Funding bids now to start to be submitted.
- Councillor Clark informed he had taken advice from Longstaffs regarding the land outside Princebuild. It was suggested clerk contact Princebuild with a view to placing a noticeboard on their wall. Bench to be sited on land.
- Unknown Donors – meetings to be held at public hall. Donington Parish Council to elect a representative at their meeting this week.
- Councillor Grocock reminded everyone of the Pride Teams.

10. **Planning Matters
For Comments**

None

Comments submitted prior to meeting

- I. **H08-0100-20** – Riverdale, Beck Bank – first floor bedroom extension & new roof. **No comments.**

Determinations from SHDC

- I. **H08-1024 -20** – The Old Apothecary, 93 High Street – proposed repairs and alterations to dwelling & alterations to out building – **NO COMMENTS**

11. **Finance & Payments of accounts**

DATE	PAYEE	NET AMOUNT (£)	V.A.T. (£)	TOTAL PAID (£)	PAYMENT METHOD
05.02.2020	Public Hall	27.00	-	27.00	BACS
05/02/2020	Roger Lambert – War Memorial	700.00	140.00	840.00	BACS
10/02/2020	Payroll	810.00	-	810.00	STANDING ORDER
28/02/2020	Payroll	15.00	-	15.00	BACS

12. **Councillor reports from other committees where there is council representation.**

Robert Marjorum Trust – application received to run a playgroup from the hall. Contribution to be made to the Risegate school.

Public Hall – no meeting. Library coffee mornings still being well attended

Relief in Need – no meeting.

G.C.A.T. – handbells gone for repair, work being carried out on the Lady Chapel at the church.

13. Agenda items for next meeting:

- Verge cutting
- Staffing matter

14. Date & venue of next meeting: Monday 6th April 2020 at 7.30pm at The Public Hall – **Annual Parish Meeting.**

Meeting closed at 9.05 pm

Chairman

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