

**Minutes of the Meeting of Gosberton Parish Council
held via MS Teams on Monday 13th July 2020**

Open Forum: No members of the public joined the meeting.

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

Also present: County Councillor Rodney Grocock & Kat Wakefield, Lincolnshire Free Press & Spalding Guardian.

1. To elect a Chairman for the Parish Council for 2020/21.

Cllr Clark was nominated for re-election as Chairman by Cllr Thorley and second by Cllr Walters – this was unanimously agreed. Declaration to accept the office of Chair will be duly signed and witnessed.

2. To elect a Vice-Chair for the Parish Council for 2020/21.

Cllr Mumby resigned as position of Chair and as councillor for the parish council – letter of resignation to follow. Cllr Thorley nominated Cllr Bennett and this was seconded by Cllr Smith – this was unanimously agreed. Declaration to accept the office Vice-Chair will be duly signed and witnessed.

3. Any other appointments including councillors and Internal Auditor.

Declarations of office to be duly signed and witnessed for all other positions. Vivienne Gensiorskyj will continue as Internal Auditor at a rate of £12 per hour.

4. To confirm members of outside bodies.

Robert Marjorum Trust – Cllr Clark, Cllr Thorley & Cllr Bennett.

Public Hall – Cllr Smith & Cllr Perry.

Relief in Need – Cllr Clark & Cllr Thorley.

G.C.A.T. – Cllr Smith & Cllr Walters.

Unknown Donors – Cllr Walters & Cllr Oakman. Estate Trustee – Cllr Thorley.

5. Apologies and reasons given. Rowland Perry (ill health) & Samantha Mumby has resigned.

6. Declarations of interest and dispensation request for relevant items.

None received.

7. To approve and sign the minutes of meeting held on Monday 3rd March - minutes were taken as read, approved and will be duly signed.

8. Chairman's remarks and clerk's report.

Clerk informed:

- In line with Govt guidelines, the playing fields were reopened on 4th July.
- Parish Council website will soon cease as being transferred over to a new page by LCC – training being held on Monday 3rd August on how to transfer information and be admin for the website.
- Pinchbeck Football Club agreement – draft agreement sent out to Cllrs for consideration and 'no dogs' to be added and the fact the field cannot be used when the Summer Fair is being held. Also consult Public Health England for restrictions on numbers during lockdown should it happen again. Cllr Clark suggested the parish council continue to maintain the cutting of the grass and football club contribute.
- Outdated/old clerk's laptop was discussed and it was decided that quotes for suitable laptops should be sought and presented at the next meeting to a budget of around £800.

Parish Council Meeting Update

Following the government announcement of further easing of lockdown restrictions from 4 July, both NALC and the Society of Local Council Clerks are strongly advising local councils to continue to meet remotely, without the need for face-to-face contact.

External Audit

Submission deadline is Friday 31st July 2020 but an extension has been approved until end of August.

9. Unknown Donors Payment

Cllr Thorley informed that the clerk has resigned and temporary clerk, Diane Fairweather, is to arrange a meeting when Covid restrictions lift.

Payments to be divided as £100 to Marjorum Beehive Association, £100 to GCAT, £85 to the playing field fund and £200 to the Gosberton Handbell Society.

10. Cemetery land update

There has been no further contact from the family regarding selling the land so a decision is needed as to whether the cemetery closes for burials when all plots are filled or whether to go down the route of Compulsory Purchase. Cllr Grocock will make some enquiries with SHDC & County Council. Chair to consider writing to family.

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

Sneaths & Son were instructed to cut the grass following complaints received from several residents in the village as it had not been possible to sort out the SHDC grass cutting contract due to Covid and, moving forward, Richard

Knock at SHDC requires revised plans to recost the contract. It was **resolved** for Sneaths to continue to cut the grass this year.

12. Noticeboard on land outside Princebuild.

Noticeboard to be concreted in and positioned so no visibility issues to surrounding properties and not on anyone else's land. The noticeboard from the playing field is being moved to this land and a new one (already purchased) to be placed at the playing field. New board ready to be installed at the Co-op too.

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

- Malc Firth to cut playing field hedge.
- Fallen tree reported to LCC in Green Lane.
- Quotes to be sought for new laptop for Clerk as laptop outdated and slow performance.
- Cllr Walters requested that the road be shut near the war memorial on Remembrance Day. Clerk to make enquiries.

14. Planning Matters

For Comments

- I. **H08-0460-20 – White House Farm, Boston Road --** proposed polytunnels.
- II. **H08-0428-20/H08-0429-20 – Hazelwood Grange, rear of Panton House – listed building –** Proposed barn conversion.

Comments submitted prior to meeting

- I. **H08-0325-20 – Adj 43 Mill Lane, Gosberton – NO COMMENTS**
- II. **H08-0086-20 – Beck Farm Cottage – NO COMMENTS**

Determinations from SHDC

- I. **H08-0295-20 – 59a HIGH Street, Gosberton – APPROVED**
- II. **H08-0286-20 – Rear of 1 Clough Road, Gos Risegate – APPROVED**
- III. **H08-0293-20 – land at Capontoft, Cheal Road – APPROVED**
- IV. **H08-0394-20 – Tizoni, 261 Westhorpe Road - APPROVED**

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 Appeal Under Section 78

Cawood Hall, Apple Tree Farm Cawood Lane – appeal started 9th June 2020.

15. Finance & Payments of accounts

DATE	PAYEE	NET AMOUNT (£)	V.A.T. (£)	TOTAL PAID (£)	PAYMENT METHOD
01.06.20	Payroll	810.00	-	810.00	STANDING ORDER

10.06.20	Petty cash – Simon	200.00	-	200.00	BACS
22.06.20	Donation Gos PCC	150.00	-	150.00	BACS
29.06.20	Payroll	810.00	-	810.00	STANDING ORDER
30.06.20	Anglian Water	16.19	-	16.19	BACS
01.07.20	Payroll	15.00	-	15.00	BACS
01.07.20	HMRC	54.34	-	54.34	BACS
01.07.20	Payroll	54.34	-	54.34	BACS
01.07.20	Malc Firth – playing field trees	578.00	115.60	693.60	BACS

16. Councillor reports from other committees where there is council representation.

No meetings due to Covid restrictions but Robert Marjorum Trust agreed to waive half year rent for Marjorum Beehive Association.

To resolve that by the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded for the following item 17 of business, on the grounds it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the Acts

Cllr Grocock & Kat Wakefield left the meeting at 8.05pm.

17. Staffing matter.

Recorded as Appendix 1.

18. Agenda items for next meeting:

- Staffing matter
- Barchard’s allotment
- Accept resignations from Cllr Mumby/Cllr Perry.

19. Date & venue of next meeting: Monday 24th August 2020 at TBC.

Meeting closed at 9.07 pm

Chairman