

**Minutes of the Meeting of Gosberton Parish Council
held at the Public Hall on Monday 15th April 2019**

Open Forum: 5 members of the public in attendance.

Present: Councillors: Sue Thorley (Chair), John Clark, Lindsay Allen, Samantha Mumby, Rona Perry, Rowland Perry, Tim Smith, Mark Taylor, Lisa Tweddell (Clerk).

Also present: County Cllr R Grocock, Winston Brown – Lincs Freepress.

1. **Apologies.** None received.
2. **Declarations of interest and dispensation request for relevant items.**
None.
3. **To approve and sign the minutes of meeting held on Monday 4th March 2019.** Minutes were then taken as read, approved and signed.

4. **Chairman's remarks and clerk's report.**

Chair's items all covered later in agenda. Clerk informed:

- I. Election of District Councillors. District ward of Donington, Quadring and Gosberton is contested, the relevant statements in Gosberton Parish have been displayed. Gosberton & Risegate Parish Wards are not contested.
- II. Letter received from Mr Baker regarding purchase of wasteland following letter sent to him after discussion at last meeting.
- III. Forms received from P.K.F. Littlejohn, external auditors, ready to complete the audit for 2018/19 so a date will be arranged with internal auditor to complete this sometime during April early May.
- IV. Clerk will be taking annual leave shortly. John Clark to man phone.

5. **Playing field regeneration.**

Report given by Tim Smith from meeting held on Tuesday 26th March 2019 to include approval of draft plan – Sue Thorley & Tim Smith attended the meeting - plan circulated to all.

A strategy has been put together for the park and its future use. Ashley Killon has collated information through questionnaire responses areas and identified certain items as being wanted. Suggestions are a basket swing, climbing frame & climbing wall and zip wire for older children. A sensory garden and a path has been suggested to go round the perimeter of the field to give access to the various areas such as the sensory garden and also to be

a jogging track, suitable also for wheelchair access. New trees have been planted across the back fence. Fitness equipment such as pull up bars and an outdoor classroom and a bike park are all proposed, following round to a picnic area. In the centre of the playing field could be a football pitch and maybe a tennis court. The next course of action is to form a wish list prioritising items with costings. It was suggested the Parish Council could fund the path at a cost of approximately £15k.

Emma Walters from G.C.A.T. advised that she has been offered some help with bid writing from a member of the public who is confident they will be successful in obtaining funding.

Cllr Grocock suggested that plans are submitted to the S106 Officer and Planning Department as early as possible.

Resolved: to consider quotes for path at next meeting on receipt of 3 quotes.

To adopt a car parking policy at the next meeting.

To revisit the tree survey following removal of the elderberry, deadwood and ivy – thanks passed by the Chair to Doug Allen for crown lifting the small trees.

6. **South Holland District Council – Joint Development Panel & Policy Monitoring Panel – Open Spaces Task and Finish Group.**

Responses to be submitted to Phil Mileham, Strategic Planning Manager:

- I. Under the circumstances, would you be content to be offered, as first preference the option of receiving Open Space on qualifying developments in your area? **Yes.**
- II. Are there any impediments to your Parish Council taking on the adoption of open space? If there any impediments, what could be done to address these matters. **Yes – what are the financial implications?**
- III. Please can you advise the Task and Finish group of any areas of public open space that you are aware of in your Parish that does not have a formally agreed maintenance regime in place? n/a
- IV. If you are currently responsible for the management or maintenance of any public open space that contains play equipment, can you confirm whether you have any projects to expand or replace such facilities? **Yes – Gosberton playing field and yes plans to rejuvenate facilities.**
- V. Are there any other improvements that you would like to suggest to how open space is secured arising from new residential development? **Better management from management companies who currently maintain open spaces.**

7. **Cemetery**

Plot update as requested by Chair. 1 new plot purchased or used since last meeting meaning approximately 15 out of 60 used spaces in the last row of the cemetery.

Land acquisition update

Chair requested meeting go into closed session at the end of the meeting to discuss this item.

To consider the benefits of a membership of the ICCM (Institute of Cemetery & Cremation Management) at a cost of £90 per year.

Resolved: GPC to become a member of the ICCM.

8. **Police report.** Clerk informed that, despite contacting PCSO Abbots to request a report prior to the meeting, none had been received. It was decided to remove this item as a rolling agenda item.

9. **Barchards vacancies** – notice given on allotments 1,2 & 3 Barchards from October 2019. To advertise on website, noticeboards, parish magazine and parish news in the press.

10. **Planning Matters**

For Comments

- I. **H08-0324-19** – land adj 10 Eastfield House, Beck Bank – residential development – 2 plots. **NO COMMENTS.**
- II. **H08-0347-19** – Braemar Northgate – S73A occupation of dwelling by persons not employed in agriculture condition 4 of H08-0965-95. **NO COMMENTS.**

Comments submitted prior to meeting

- I. **H08-0229-19** – 139 Westhorpe Road, Gosberton – proposed rear extension and internal alterations. **NO COMMENTS**
- II. **H08-0252-19** – land rear of 1 Clough Road, Gosberton Risegate - residential development – erection of 4 dwellings approved under H08-0670. **NO COMMENTS.**
- III. **H08-0269-19** – 21 Rutland Gardens, Gosberton – rear extension. **NO COMMENTS.**

Determinations from SHDC

- I. **H08-0048-19** – 67 High Street – APPROVED.
- II. **H08-0082-19** – 18 Poachers Gate, Gosberton – APPROVED.
- III. **H08-0116-19** – Belnie House, Belnie Lane – APPROVED.

11. **Finance & Payments of accounts**

DATE	PAYEE	NET AMOUNT (£)	V.A.T. (£)	TOTAL PAID (£)	PAYMENT METHOD
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04.03.19	Payroll	818.84	-	818.84	BACS
14.03.19	HMRC	34.25	-	34.25	BACS
11.03.19	Payroll	810.00	-	810.00	STANDING ORDER
28.03.19	Anglian Water	13.19	-	13.19	DIRECT DEBIT
01.04.19	HMRC	34.25	-	34.25	BACS
01.04.19	Payroll	818.84	-	818.84	BACS

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

Robert Marjorum – no meeting.

Public Hall – no meeting.

Relief in Need – no meeting.

G.C.A.T. – summer fayre discussed, plans going well.

13. Agenda items for next meeting:

- Update Code of Conduct Policy
- Wargate Way trees trimming quotes
- Quotes for signs for playing field as per ROSPA inspection
- Hundred Fen Pit, Sandacre Wastelands
- Wasteland rent review
- Letting of Barchards Allotments
- Receive quotes for path for playing field
- Adopt car parking policy
- Tree survey actions
- Insurance renewal quote
- Auxiliary site in Gosberton

14. Date & venue of next meeting: Monday 13th May 2019 at 7.30pm at The Public Hall - Annual Meeting of the Parish.

It was resolved the meeting went into closed session at 9.40pm to discuss agenda item 7. Discussion noted in Appendix A Confidential Minutes.

Meeting closed at 10.20pm

Chairman