

**Minutes of the Meeting of Gosberton Parish Council  
held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

**Present:** Councillors: N Oakman (Chair), J Clark, P Waudby, T Smith, J Bennett J Ascough, D Leworthy and F Newton (Clerk)

**Also, in Attendance:** Four Members of the Public

**Open Forum:** Member of the Public reporting the mud on the roads along 3<sup>rd</sup> Drove, Gosberton Clough. Advised to report to Highways, LCC have a hotline for this. Cllr Waudby suggested that this is fed back into the upcoming Policing Forum. Member of the Public reported on a new Scheme called Men's shed and Health club which is looking for funding, advised Council that they will be leaflet dropping and setting up a meeting to gauge local interest. Cllr Ascough advised that there is help available to set up new community projects. Asking Council for advice of locations to use for the Club.

**265. To note apologies and accept valid reasons for absence:** Dist Cllrs J King and H Bingham sent apologies

Cllr S Weatherley Barton joined the meeting at 7.20pm

**266. To receive declarations of Interest and consideration of requests for dispensations in accordance with the Localism Act 2011:** none received

**267. To receive and approve the minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023.** It was **Resolved** approve the minutes

**268. To receive report from District Councillors:** The Clerk reported on behalf of Dist Cllr King that Highways are working on a TRO for Boston Road and agree with the Councils request for a Zebra crossing outside the School in the High Street. Clerk reported on behalf of Dist Cllr Bingham that funding is available through UKSPF for local projects and urged the Council to apply. It was suggested that Council apply for funding for new SID's in both Wards. Clerk to feed back to District Cllrs

**269. To receive the Clerk's report on correspondence received and consider any recommendations:**

Correspondence received

Lincs Police	Invite to Parish Engagement scheme
Elan City	Quote for Camera
Jan Whitbourn	Speed watch courses
Outer Dowsing Offshore Wind	Invite to Exhibition
Communities YMCA	Invite to briefing sessions
Suzanne Rolfe	Sub regions strategy consultation
Parishonier	Complaints about excessive mud left on roads by local Farm businesses

Taming Canines	Email ref planning appeal
Shdc Asset management	Proposed Cemetery purchase

The Clerk advised that there should be Councillors attending the Police Parish Engagement scheme – email invites have been sent to everyone, and SHDC asset team are available to advise on land purchase – Agenda item 278. Advice taken from Planning on Agenda item 288.

**270. To review and adopt :**

- I. Data Breach Policy – it was **Resolved** to adopt this policy
- II. Staffing Committee Terms of Reference- it be discussed at the next meeting

**271. To consider and adopt Filming and Recording of Meeting Policy:** It was **Resolved** to adopt this policy

**272. To discuss update on repairs to Speed Cameras and Community Speed watch scheme:** Cllr Smith reported that the Speed Cameras are all ready to be re-installed and will liaise with the landowner to arrange a date. LRSP are to informed off the date/location of installation. New plastic brackets are required for the other camera. Cllr Ascough reported that there are now 5 people who have been on the training course, and they held their first Speed watch session on 5<sup>th</sup> at the top of Bowgate, 3 motorists were recorded to be going over the speed limit – 1 at 47mph. A further 7 people have volunteered to go on the training course, the course is booked for 16<sup>th</sup> November. Speed watch posters have been put up on the noticeboards. A positive response was received, and the team are planning to go out again in the next couple of weeks.

**273. To receive update on actions from Village Inspection:** Cllr Clark reported that the flagstones around the War Memorial have been re-pointed. Clerk had been in contact with a company regarding shot blasting and repainting the Cemetery railings. A quotation has been received to replace the bearing on the Roundabout and replace the back board of the Basket ball net. It was **Resolved** to accept the quotation and request that the work is carried out as soon as possible.

**274. To discuss complaints received regarding excessive mud left on roads by Farm vehicles – Third Drove, Gosberton Clough:** This had been discussed in the public forum. It was **Resolved:** due to the number of complaints received, the Clerk is to write to the landowners to request that roads are cleaned as soon as possible.

**275. To discuss Tonic-health- Men’s shed project:** this has been discussed in the public forum

**276. To discuss update from Highways ref TRO for Boston/Spalding Road – new Developments:** this item has been discussed in the District Councillors report

**277. To discuss remembrance Sunday:** Cllr Ascough expressed thanks to Mr Sandall, Cllr Bennett and partner for their work in tidying up the War Memorial in

Risegate. A request is to be made to the Marjoram Hall flower club if they will be willing to make some floral arrangements for the day. A discussion was had about changing the service sheets slightly so that they are the same as other Remembrance services. There will be a service on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> at 11am at the War Memorial, and on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> there will be a service at the Methodist Chapel followed by wreath laying at Gosberton at 11am and the Risegate at 12pm. Children from the Schools are to read the names of the fallen. New service sheets are to be printed. It was **Resolved** to look at forming a small committee to organise along with the churches the Memorial services in the future

**278. To discuss vases for Cemetery and proposed purchase of Cemetery land:** Cllr Waudby reported that he had been in contact with Longstaff's and Roythornes about the possibility of purchasing land at the back of the cemetery, it was advised that due to costs this would not be a viable option. Other land options were discussed. SHDC Assets team are happy to advise where possible. The Vase surrounds were also discussed. It was **Resolved:** Cllr Waudby and Oakman are to contact land owner and arrange an informal meeting to discuss, and the option of having some more vase surrounds made is to be looked into.

**279. To discuss tenders received for Groundsman work:** Tenders have been received, these were discussed. To be added onto the agenda for the next meeting. Clerk to contact Sneaths to ask for the Play area in Gosberton to be added onto their cutting schedule. It was **Resolved** to approach Sneath's and Malc Firth as incumbent suppliers to quote for the work

**280. To consider meeting dates for 2024:** Dates have been circulated. It was **Resolved** to accept

**281. To discuss work to tidy up Garden allotments:** Cllr Waudby, Leworthy and Mr Thorley have offered to cut the trees along the roadside of the allotment area, it was agreed to hire a chipper. It was agreed to set up a WhatsApp group to help with communications.

**282. To consider Parish Council Christmas plans and Youth Club Christmas Plans:** Cllr Ascough reported that Christmas trees have been donated, it was decided that 1 tree will be placed on the Risegate Road, in Mr Snaiths field (permission has been given) and the other tree will be placed on the Council area outside Princebuild. Cllr Clark reported that the Youth Club would be holding a Xmas Fair on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, with Kirton Brass Band in attendance. It was **Resolved** : Cllr Ascough to lead on Risegate tree and Cllr Leworthy to lead on Gosberton tree. A date of 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> of November was erect and decorate trees. Solar lights to be purchased.

**283. To consider draft Budget :** A discussion was held. It was decided as the tax base figure has not been received from SHDC that this matter should be deferred to the next meeting

**284. Planning matters-**

Planning decisions received since the last meeting of council

For comments

- I. H08-0893-23 – Outline- residential development-erection of dwelling, adj to 12 Bowgate, Gosberton- J Grant
- II. H08-0890-23- Outline- residential development-between 31 and 35 Westhorpe Road- J Grant
- III. H08-0861-23- Demolition of redundant commercial building and erect 2 dwellings- 10-12 Risegate Road – T Waltham
- IV. H08-1256-21- Amendment- Land off York Gardens- Gleeson Regeneration
- V. PL/0075/23 – Change of use Old ship in Beck bank- referred to LCC
- VI. H08-0928-23 – Outline- proposed residential development rear of 68 Siltside, Gosberton Risegate- E Lenten

Determinations from SHDC

- I. H08-0743-23 – Residential development of Spalding Road, Gosberton – A Proctor -REFUSED
- II. H08-0736-23 – Erection of single garage, resubmission (retrospective) 80 Siltside, Gosberton Risegate. A Crane- APPROVED
- III. H08-0597-23 – Residential development- 28 Dwellings approved unde4r H08-1335-21 – Modification of condition 1- D& R Homes – APPROVED
- IV. H08-0920-23 – Proposed change of use of redundant courier business to car dismantling business- Old Ship, Gosberton Clough- APPROVED

**NO COMMENTS**

**262. Finance**

- I. To approve payment of accounts -within Clerk's report

28/09/2023 640	T N Sneath	220.00	44.00	264.00	BACS
28/09/2023 639	TN Sneath	140.00	28.00	168.00	BACS
6/10/2023 630	LALC	25.00	5.00	30.00	BACS
17/10/2023 631	LALC	12.50	2.50	15.00	BACS
1/11/2023 646	Public Hall	38.00		38.00	BACS
10/11/2023 645	Clerk Salary	638.60		638.60	BACS

Invoices to approved -retrospectively

DATE	PAYEE	NET AMOUNT (£)	V.A.T. (£)	TOTAL PAID (£)	PAYMENT METHOD
15/10/2023 619/620/621 622/623	S Kitchen	900.00		900.00	SO
1/11/2023 647	All Star	28.23	5.65	33.88	DD

13/10/2023 612	Clerk	638.60		638.60	BACS
05/10/2023 603	One drive	5.88		5.88	DEBIT CARD
13/10/2023 602	Vodafone	14.55		14.55	DEBIT CARD
11/10/2023 632	All star	28.23	5.65	33.88	DD
21/10/2023 638	HP instant ink	17.49	3.50	20.99	DEBIT CARD

It was **Resolved** to approve payments

II: To adding Clerk to signatures on N S&I account and update correspondence address. It was **Resolved** paper work signed

III To review income and expenditure to 31<sup>st</sup> October

Expenditure since last meeting (includes payments to be approved at meeting- up to 6<sup>th</sup> November ) £3657.19

Income since last meeting up to 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023 £9497.08

Expenditure year to date £27714.44

It was **Resolved** to accept this report

IV To receive bank reconciliation

Balance of Bank Accounts

Current- online balance as at 30/10/2023 £5104.59

Deposit – online balance as at 30/10/2023 -£53658.03

Community- online balance as at 30/10/2023 -£4607.28

NS & I as at 26/09/2023 £53535.49

It was **Resolved** to accept this report. Cllr Ascough to review reconciliations

V To review Year to date Budget- no report available

**286. To receive reports from other committees:** Cllr Ascough reported on the recent GCAT meeting, the Committee has decided that they will be dissolving the company. They have approx. £5000.00 in funds and will be making donations to community project. The committee has various pieces of equipment that they want to donate to the village. It was suggested that the Parish Council could look after this. No meetings of other committees have taken place

**To resolve to move into closed session in accordance with the public bodies (admission to meetings) act 1960 due to confidential nature of the business in Agenda items 287 and 287**

It was **Resolved** to move into Closed session- The Clerk left the room

**287. To receive report from Staffing Committee:** Cllr Smith reported from the Staffing Committee meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> October where the Clerks pay and appraisal was discussed. It was **Resolved:** to award a pay rise in line with SLCC recommendations

The Clerk returned to the room

**288. To consider response to Planning Appeal ref H17-0478-23-** notification has been received, no response until official notification received from SHDC

**289. Agenda items for the next meeting:**

Vases for the Cemetery

Update on proposal to purchase new land for cemetery

Cemetery keepers/ grass cutting tenders

Budget and precept

Staffing committee- terms of reference and appraisal policy

Co-options of councillors

**Meeting closed at 22.00 pm**

**Chairman.....**