

**Minutes of the Meeting of Gosberton Parish Council
held at the Public Hall on Monday 9th September 2019**

Open Forum: in attendance: George Wallace from Pinchbeck Ladies and Juniors Football & Jeanette Webb on behalf of the Gosberton Handbell Choir.

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

Also present: District Councillor Simon Walsh. County Councillor Rodney Grocock.

Open Forum

George Wallace, Chairman of Pinchbeck Juniors & Ladies Football Teams requested to use the Gosberton Playing Field on a Saturday morning between 9.30 – 12 for the 5 – 7 year olds. They would pay for the cutting of the grass, keep the area well maintained, making good any damage and would provide a portaloo. There were no objections to this from all in attendance and verbal permission was given, to be followed up by a written contract outlining terms. George Wallace left the meeting at 7.40pm. Jeanette Webb discussed request under item 6 on the agenda and left the meeting at 7.50pm.

1. **Apologies and reasons given.** Samantha Mumby & Tim Smith – reasons for absence 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 22nd July 2019.**
Minutes were taken as read, approved and signed.
4. **Chairman's remarks and clerk's report.**
Clerk informed:
 - Letter from LCC – advance notification of road improvements scheme: Donington, Gosberton & Surfleet. Lighting replacements in 9 different locations due to start mid September lasting for 3 weeks.
 - Letter from Welland & Deepings Internal Drainage Board – early channel maintenance – Old Lode Drain. To commence April 2020. Parish Council are occupier of field OS number 0088 alongside the drain.

- Arb Core was instructed to pollard trees in churchyard. £630 inc of VAT.
- Gosberton Cemetery had a long distant visitor last month. A lady in Australia made contact with me about some relatives in the cemetery and said she had a friend coming over who would like to visit the cemetery and take some photos of the graves for her. So a gentleman came from Exeter in South Australia nr Adelaide and met with Simon. They were all very grateful for Simon and myself for arranging this for them and the lady has sent me a email book regarding her family history which is to be sent on to all councillors.
- It was agreed to not request further information regarding the dog poo bag dispensers as per email of 8th August from SHDC as too high maintenance.
- Email received from LCC saying there is 'a good chance' they maintain the land outside Princebuild. Which isn't very conclusive but if there is an issue they could produce a report for local highways. Letter to be sent to LCC requesting permission to site a noticeboard.
- Audit finally concluded on 4th September - issues surrounding the Unknown Donors bank account again.
- Further quotes yet to be received regarding trimming trees on High Street and churchyard.
- Cllr Walters agreed to provide some first aid training at a date to be decided.
- Clerk has received the programme through for the Cemetery Management and Compliance course to be attended in October – some very informative topics to be covered including extending the viability of cemeteries and reclamation and reuse of graves.

5. Inspection Reports for playing fields from Wicksteed

As no items are of high risk, no further action required.

6. To consider request from Gosberton handbell Choir for some financial assistance under S 137 of the Local Government Ac 1972.

Jeannette Webb from the Gosberton Handbell Choir requested financial assistance with a quote for £700 to restore the bells. The bells are used by players from the community with performances being given to local care homes, churches and other local audiences.

Resolved: on provision of a written quote, the Parish Council would assist with some match funding to restore the bells. Amount to be confirmed on receipt of quote.

7. Playing Field Regeneration

Councillor Walters informed 2 quotes have been received for the sensory garden and a 3rd quote is due to be received mid-September. By end of

September, quotes should be received for all works. The bank account for the proposed improvements was discussed.

Resolved: G.C.A.T. to open a bank account to hold any funds/grants for the playing field but parish council would pay for any bills and be reimbursed by G.C.A.T.

8. War Memorial Plan

Quotes still to be received for area surrounding the war memorial. A memorial bench was discussed as a donation for £100 has been received from Mr & Mrs Stevenson in honour of Reginald East and it was felt it would be a nice idea to put this donation towards the bench. The bench would provide somewhere for people to sit, reflect and pay their respects. All in favour of this and to write to district councillors to see if they would like to make a financial contribution.

9. Cemetery land update

To be deferred until next meeting.

10. To open tenders for allotments 3 x 1 acre Barchards, Gosberton Clough.

3 tenders were received for the allotments. The successful tender was Mr Tinker.

11. Matters for urgent discussion in the parish.

Cllr Oakman said there had been fly tipping in the village – he was advised SHDC would deal with this if reported to them or a local scrapman was discussed.

Cllr Thorley advised of vehicles being parked on Siltside causing visibility issues – reported to SHDC.

Noticeboards have been ordered without installation cost.

Cllr Thorley has heard back from the Charity Commission for clarification on the Unknown Donors Scheme. There are no copies of orders or minutes so the original scheme stands, not the hand written amendments. Still no clarification on numbers of representatives from each parish but it is clear in the scheme – 1 estate trustee per parish and 2 administrative trustees. Suggest an extra meeting is called to sort out the scheme and discuss land which is being sub-let.

12. Planning Matters

For Comments

I. H08-0776-19 – 17 High Street, Gosberton.

New vehicle MOT service, valet & sales facility.

No objections but comments to be made regarding concerns over increased traffic near the school/parking issues.

II. H08-0830-19 – Hills Farm, Gosberton Bank – NO COMMENTS.

- Convert existing garage & erect first floor side extension.
- III. **H08-0792-19 – 33 Lowgate, Gosberton – NO COMMENTS.**
Proposed rear extension, loft conversion and internal alterations.
- IV. **H08-0846-19 – Charity Farm, 87 Clough Road, Gosberton – rear & side extension.**

Comments submitted prior to meeting

- I. **H08-0704-19 – 59 High Street, Gosberton – NO COMMENTS**

Determinations from SHDC

- I. **H08-0609-19 – Panton House, Hedgefield Hurn – APPROVED**
H08-0710-19 – 60 High Street – APPROVED

13. Finance & Payments of accounts

DATE	PAYEE	NET AMOUNT (£)	V.A.T. (£)	TOTAL PAID (£)	PAYMENT METHOD
24.07.19	Petty cash	250.00	-	250.00	CHQ 102230
29.07.19	HMRC	34.10		34.10	BACS
29.07.19	Payroll	835.29	-	835.29	BACS
29.07.19	Payroll	810.00	-	810.00	BACS
29.07.19	Payroll	15.00	-	15.00	BACS
05.08.19	Anglian Water	14.77	-	14.77	BACS
04.07.19	Public Hall	18.00	-	21.00	BACS
05.08.19	Lalc	17.50	-	17.50	BACS
05.08.19	Spalding Signs	560.00	112.00	672.00	BACS
05.08.19	T N Sneaths & Sons	780.00	156.00	936.00	BACS
12.08.19	Wicksteed	90.00	18.00	108.00	BACS
27.08.19	Payroll	810.00	-	810.00	BACS
27.08.19	HMRC	34.10	-	34.10	BACS
27.08.19	Payroll	835.29	-	835.29	BACS
28.08.19	Payroll	15.00	-	15.00	BACS
05.09.19	Co-op (glassware)	46.17	-	46.17	BACS
05.09.19	Arb Core	525.00	105.00	630.00	BACS

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

Robert Marjorum Trust – no meeting.

Public Hall – October meeting is AGM. Library starting in hall soon.

Relief in Need – no meeting.

G.C.A.T. – community gazebo is being used. Theme for Summer Fair is 1940's. Ladies Circle are donating to G.C.A.T. this year.

15. Agenda items for next meeting:

- Playground equipment (springy tractor)
- Tree quotes – Gosberton playing field and cemetery
- War Memorial garden quotes
- Cemetery land

16. Date & venue of next meeting: Monday 21st October 2019 at 7.30pm at The Public Hall.

Meeting closed at 9.45 pm

Chairman

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