

MINUTES OF GOSBERTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE PUBLIC HALL**ON****MONDAY 22ND JANUARY 2018**

Open Forum: Two members of the public attended the meeting for a discussion regarding the purchase of wasteland on Chopdyke Drove.

Present: Councillors: Tim Smith (Chair), Mrs Sue Thorley, John Clark, Mark Taylor, Rowland Perry, Mrs Rona Perry, Mrs Lindsay Allen, Mick Pell, Clive Bayston, Mike Newton.

Also in attendance: District Councillor Rodney Grocock.

It was unanimously agreed that in the clerk's absence Cllr Mike Newton would take the minutes.

1. **Apologies:** Mrs Lisa Tweddell (Clerk).

2. **Declarations of Interest and Dispensation Request for Relevant Items:** None received.

3. **To Approve and Sign Minutes of Meeting Held on Monday 11th December 2017.** Approved and signed.

4. **Co-option.** The council considered and accepted an application to join the council for Gosberton Risegate ward from Mr Clive Bayston. A Disclosable Pecuniary Interest form was signed and Declaration of Acceptance of Office form.

5. **Chairman's Remarks and Clerk's Report.**

Clerk informed in report circulated prior to meeting:

- a. The no parking sign for the Risegate war memorial and the new Risegate ward noticeboard have been received and installed.
- b. The commemorative plaque for Britain's WW1 airfields can be placed with the noticeboard and has been ordered.
- c. Letter received from Maples advising a sum of £1000 has been left by Mrs RE Smith in her will to be divided between Gosberton, Pinchbeck and West Pinchbeck towards the cost of maintaining the graveyards.
- d. Precept form has been sent to SHDC.

6. **Budget for 2018/19.**

Resolved. The budget was approved including an additional £20K to go towards improving the play area in conjunction with GCAT and match funding. Clerk to note that the precept figure was agreed on 11th December 2017, not 12th December as stated in the budget spreadsheet.

7. **Equality Act and Venue for GPC meetings.**

A NALC Legal Topic Note at para 23 states that if the PC meeting venue does not allow for disabled access to participate in meetings then a change of venue should be considered.

Resolved. After discussion, it was decided that the current venue would continue to be used but clerk would add a phrase to future agendas requesting whether disabled access would be required for members of the public wishing to attend.

8. The press were excluded whilst consideration of allotment tenders were considered under The Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960.

9. Consideration of Allotment Tenders for Highbridge allotments D1, D2, D8 and D9.

The council gave due consideration to the 3 responses. **Resolved.** It was approved, seconded and agreed that the allotments would be awarded as 2 x 2 acre lots. D1/D2 awarded to Jason Palmer and D8/D9 awarded to Peter Thorold.

10. To Adopt Amended Standing Orders to Include Travelling Expenses/Parking.

To include in 13d in Expenses in Standing Orders:

'Travelling expenses for journeys on council business will be paid at current HMRC rates for mileage (and parking). All claims must be made promptly to the Clerk and, where relevant, must be accompanied by a receipt (for parking).

Resolved. It was agreed to adopt the amended Standing Orders.

11. Unknown Donor Distribution.

Cllr Lindsay Allen attended a recent meeting of the relevant committee and reported that the funds had been allocated in an arbitrary nature. The 3 allocated cheques were returned to the council. It was agreed that this was unacceptable and that the clerk would address this matter in conjunction with Cllr Lindsay Allen and the Chairman of the Unknown Donor's Committee. The 3 allocated cheques have been returned to the clerk.

12. Speed Calming Management

Cllr Rowland Perry has distributed the latest traffic data from the SID and the device has now been relocated to the Gosberton Clough location. Cllr Perry also requested nominations from the council to train with the Police to operate speed control devices.

13. Matters for Urgent Discussion Not Included in the Agenda

a. The prospective purchase of council owned wasteland on Chopdyke Drove was discussed. It was agreed that the council would need to take advice on the legality of selling the land to a private individual and confirm that any sale should be by public auction. Moreover, if a private individual purchased the land, a clause may be necessary prohibiting current and future owners from any development action. Cllr Grocock suggested that we engage the District Valuer from SHDC to obtain a reasonable value for the land.

b. Cllr Rowland Perry has researched grant funding for the preservation and maintenance of the war memorial. He has printed off a Grant Pre-Application Form for the clerk to complete.

c. Cllr Clark has been approached from a resident who lives close to the barn conversion on Birds Drove whether the 30mph sign can be moved. It was agreed that this cannot be undertaken unless there is a high incidence of serious accidents at that location.

d. Cllr Clark has obtained a quote to replace the cemetery lawn mower at a cost of £3K with a reduction for part exchange of the old item.

14. To Receive Police Report

Criminal Damage to vehicle High Street; Hare coursing Beck Bank; Mud on Road x 3 Bowgate; Theft from motor vehicle Lowgate; Mud on Road Clough Road; Hare coursing Gosberton Bank; Hare coursing Boston Road; Vehicle nuisance from road bikes Chopdike Drove; Hare coursing x 2 Beach Lane; Hare coursing Clough Road; Hare coursing Second Drove Gosberton Clough; Hare coursing Chopdike Drove; RTC damage only Station Road; Theft Gosberton Bank; Criminal Damage Salem Street.

15. Planning Matters.

a. H08-0895-17 Land Off Spalding Road. Proposed residential development of up to 38 dwellings.

The council supports Rev Steve Weatherly Brown's comments that:

- The 30 mph speed sign should be relocated to the junction with Cunsdyke Lane
- The developers should be encouraged to create a parking area near the proposed footpath that connects the development to the nearby amenities.

b. H08-32-18 Land Adjacent to 60 Wargate Way. Erection of Dwelling – Outline Approval.

No objections.

c. H08-0032-18 The Red House 97 High St (listed building). Repoint side and rear elevation.

No objections

Determinations from SHDC

a. H08-0895-17 Residential development former Gosberton Medical Centre Refusal.

b. H08-1170-17 Cherryholt Cottage, Station Road

Conditions 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10 & 13 of H08-0955-17

Approved

c. H08-1056-17 Oak Lodge, Cheal Road

Alterations and extension

Approved

d. H08-1099-17 Site adjacent to 139 Westhorpe Road

Proposed bungalow

Approved

16. Finance and Payments of Accounts

All payments approved.

DATE	PAYEE	NET AMOUNT (£)	V.A.T. (£)	TOTAL PAID (£)	PAYMENT METHOD
11/12/17	Payroll	768.00	-	768.00	STANDING ORDER
13/12/17	Lalc - training	25.00	-	25.00	BACS
13/12/17	Lalc - training	50.00	-	50.00	BACS
13/12/17	Stuart Alan signs	48.00	9.60	57.60	BACS
18/12/17	Payroll	810.00	-	810.00	STANDING ORDER
28/12/17	Payroll	15.00	-	15.00	STANDING ORDER
05/01/18	Public Hall	20.00	-	20.00	BACS

08/01/18	Payroll	768.00	-	768.00	STANDING ORDER
09/01/18	Poppy Wreaths	45.00	-	45.00	CHQ 102214
18/1/18	Rowland Perry	97.95	19.59	117.54	BACS

For Signing at Meeting

22/01/18	Petty cash	200.00	-	200.00	CHQ 102215
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17. Councillor Reports from Other Committees.

No Meetings.

18. Agenda Items for Next Meeting.

- Emma Walters from GCAT
- Unknown donors

19. Date and Venue for next Meeting.

Monday 5th March 2018 at 7.30pm at the Public Hall.

Meeting closed at 9.25pm

Chairman