

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Gosberton Parish Council
held on Monday 19th May 2025**

Present: Councillors: Cllrs N Oakman, T Smith, J Clark, N Gore, D Leworthy, F Newton (Clerk)

Also, in Attendance: Dist. Cllr Geaney and 1 MOP

Open Forum: N/A

555. To Elect chair and sign Declaration of Office- Cllr Clark was proposed by Cllr Smith and seconded by Cllr Gore. Cllr Clark accepted and signed declaration of acceptance of office

556. To Elect Vice-chair and sign Declaration of Office-Cllr Smith was proposed by Cllr Clark and seconded by Cllr Gore, Cllr Smith accepted and signed declaration of office

557. To resolve to accept apologies for absence and reasons given in accordance with Local Government act 1972 s85(1) – apologies were received from Cllr Ascough and Hobling. It was **Resolved** to accept apologies and reasons given

558. To receive declarations of Interests and consideration for any requests for dispensations in accordance with the Localism Act 2011- none received

559. To receive and approve the minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 14th April 2025. It was **Resolved** approve the minutes

560. To review representatives to Staffing committee and review committee TOR(standing order I v.vi) – It was **Resolved** that Cllr Smith, Ascough, Oakman and Clark remain as representatives to the Staffing committee, TOR approved.

561. To review and adopt NALC 2025 standing orders and financial regulations (standing order I ix) – It was **Resolved** to adopted new Standing orders and financial regulations

It was agreed to discuss item 563 before item 562

562. To review representatives to outside committees

- I. **Robert Marjoram Trust- 3 members-** Cllr Clark and Gore are to remain as representatives, Clerk to confirm that Cllr Ascough agrees to continue in this role
- II. **Gosberton Public Hall- 1 member-** Clerk to contact Cllr Weatherly-Barton to confirm that he agrees to continue in this role
- III. **Gosberton Relief in Need- 2 members-** Cllr Clark agreed to continue in this role and Cllr Waudby agreed to take on this

IV. Unknown Donors Charity- 2 members- Cllrs Oakman and Leworthy are to remain as representatives

Clerk to contact relevant Charity officers to update information

563. To consider co-options to the Council- P Waudby was co-opted onto the Council, he accepted the position and signed declaration of acceptance. Clerk to set up new email address and sent out all other relevant paperwork

564. To receive report from District Councillors: Dist Cllr Geaney raised the ongoing issue of parking outside the school along the High Street and Belchmire lane. She suggested that an open meeting is held to discuss this and try to find a resolution. Council agreed to this proposal. Cllr Clark and Oakman are to find out the possibility of hiring the Youth Club to hold the meeting in.

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

Correspondence received

Asda Foundation	Grant application information
Lincs online	Request for comment ref FB post about Speedwatch
LCC Highways	Traffic restriction- added to website
LALC e- news	Circulated to all
AJG	Insurance renewal information
SHDC	Information ref Meridan solar farm
SHDC	Update ref naming of new road
PSO Lincolnshire	Flood review
SHDC	Updated electoral register
LALC	E news
Email from Parishioners	Complaints regarding verge cutting on Rutland gardens- SHDC contacted and now resolved
National Grid	Consultation information on Eastern link- forwarded to all poster on social media and website
LRSP	Archer survey results from Boston Road- forwarded to all

566. To resolve retrospectively to sell the grass mower to D Lewis- It was **Resolved** to sell to D Lewis for £1500.00

567. To discuss update on Cemetery- Cllr Clark reported no update but hoping to meet with Longstaff's in next couple of weeks. The Clerk reported that a complaint has been received regarding a chip on a headstone, Council to look at this at the forthcoming Inspection meeting

568. To discuss grant application from Gosberton Clough School- an application has been received for a replacement defibrillator. Dist. Cllr Geaney suggested that the other Dist. Cllrs are contacted to request a donation. Clerk to

action this and then contact School with response. Council agreed to match district Cllrs donation of £150

569. To discuss further issues with the play park- no update on CCTV. Clerk reported that the wooden fence has been damaged and Village maintenance has been contacted to repair. Equipment in good order on latest inspection, apart from horse which requires repainting and wood underneath replacing. It was suggested that this could be a project for winter

570. To discuss update on Village Maintenance person/s- new contractor now in place and working towards bringing cemetery grass cutting up to date. Contractor has been asked to strim grass along front of playing field, and to be asked weed War memorial and spray off cremation plots. Council agreed to monitor

571. To resolve to purchase new flag for VE day (agreed after last meeting)- It was **Resolved** to purchase flag

572. To consider Planning matters:

Planning decisions received since the last meeting of Council
For Comments

Applications

- I. H08-0333-25- FULL- change of use from agricultural land to equestrian, erection of stable block and riding arena- Joanne, Belnie Lane, Gosberton- Miss C Southgate
- II. H08-0375-25-FULL- single storey extension to rear of bungalow- Joanne- Belnie lane, Gosberton- Miss C Southgate
- III. H08-0046-25- FULL- proposed outdoor riding arena(40mx25m) 106 Siltside, Gosberton Risegate- Mrs D Jinks

No comments

Determinations

- I H08-0260-25- Removal of existing single storey extensions, replaced with new single storey extensions, 61 High Street Gosberton- APPROVED

573. Finance

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

DATE	PAYEE	NET AMOUNT (£)	V.A.T. (£)	TOTAL PAID (£)	PAYMENT METHOD
16/04/2025	Mijan Ltd 363	108.00		108.00	BACS
25/04/2025	BAK Accounting 373	43.00		43.00	BACS
01/06/2025	Gallagher 382	1771.84		1771.84	BACS

14/05/2025	D Lewis	2000.00		2000.00	BACS
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Payments made between meetings using delegated authority

DATE	PAYEE	NET AMOUNT (£)	V.A.T. (£)	TOTAL PAID (£)	PAYMENT METHOD
15/04/2025	RBLI 355	19.99	3.99	23.98	DEBIT CARD
21/04/2025	HP Instant ink 364	15.41	3.08	18.49	DEBIT CARD
24/04/2025	Land registry 365	7.00		7.00	DEBIT CARD
30/04/2025	HMRC 369	39.57		39.57	DEBIT CARD
30/04/2025	Clerk salary 370	1013.11		1013.11	BACS
03/05/2025	Vodafone	14.22	2.85	17.07	DEBIT CARD
12/05/2025	Microsoft 380	4.90	.98	5.88	DEBIT CARD

It was **resolved** to authorise all payments and to set up a standing order to pay D Lewis on/about 17th of each month, and set up a monthly payment for Clerks salary, and accept insurance renewal

II. To receive Bank reconciliation within Clerks report- up to 16th May 2025

Current account - £ 6161.81

Deposit account £78165.13

Community Account £ 37.28

NS & I account £54541.39

It was **resolved** to accept bank reconciliation

III. To review income and expenditure within Clerks report

Expenditure since last meeting

£3047.94

Income

£36726.23 (£35320.00 precept, £410.00 cemetery fees, £650.00 garden allotments, £346.23 graveyard trust)

Expenditure 2025-2026 £ 6868.32

Income 2025-2026 £37439.01

It was **resolved** to accept income and expenditure figures

IV. To review Budget to date

It was **Resolved** to accept budget figures

574. To receive reports from other Committee's – Cllr Clark reported on the recent GRIN meeting- Mr T Smith has been elected chair for a further year, inspection meeting being held on 17th June. Clerk reported that accounts for RMT and GRIN are available for inspection

575. Agenda items for the next meeting

Co-options

Village Maintenance

School defib

Parking at school

Cllr Gore requested Speedwatch is added to the agenda due to the problems at a recent speedwatch session. Clerk to email local Police to inform

It was agreed to amend the start time for the Village inspection meeting on 9th June to 7pm

Meeting closed at 8.37pm

Chairman.....