

**Minutes of the Meeting of Gosberton Parish Council
held on Monday 7th July 2025**

Present: Councillors: Cllrs J Clark Smith, I Hobling, J Ascough, P Waudby, D Leworthy, N Gore and F Newton (Clerk)

Also, in Attendance: one MOP

Open Forum: N/A

Cllr Gore gave a verbal resignation and left the meeting

580. To resolve to accept apologies for absence and reasons given in accordance with Local Government act 1972 s85(1) – apologies were received from Cllr Weatherly-Barton, Cllr Oakman- Resolved to accept apologies and reasons given

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

582. To receive and approve the minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 5th June 2025. I Resolved approve the minutes

583. To receive reports from District Councillors- no reports received

584. To consider co-options onto the Council- Resolved to co-op Mr G Firth to the Council. Nominated by Cllr Ascough and seconded by Cllr Hobling- all agreed. The Chairman welcomed Mr Firth

585. To receive the Clerk's report on correspondence received and consider any recommendations- the report was circulated

Parishioner	Complaint about upkeep of cemetery
Rev Walters	Request for horses to be allowed into the cemetery for a burial
LCC Highways	Consultation ref speed limit along Lowgate
LALC e-news	Circulated to all
SHDC	Consultation ref Statement of licencing policy
Parishioner	Complaint about overgrown hedge-referred to Fix my street and Dist Cllr King
Information ref Great grid upgrade	On the agenda to discuss
Email complaint about speeding	On the agenda to discuss
Email from Tenant	Damage to machinery – garden allotments

LCC Cllr King	Email ref parking restrictions near the school on Clough Road
Parishioner	Complaint about grass verges on Quadring Road- referred to SHDC contractor

Council discussed the request for horses to be allowed in the Cemetery- it was felt that there was a risk of damage to headstones/graves, insurance would not cover this, and that if it had been allowed it would set a precedence for any future requests

586. To consider and adopt

- I. Subject access request policy
- II. Website accessibility statement

Resolved to adopt both policies

587. To review and adopt

- I. Scheme of delegation
- II. Grant awarding policy
- III. Internal controls
- IV. Bank mandate

Resolved to adopt all- Clerk to contract the Youth Club to request a report on the outcome of the grant funding. Cllr Clark, Smith and the clerk are to continue as signatories on the Bank Accounts

588. To discuss speeding along Quadring Road, and purchase a new SID/alternative reactive/passive speed sign- Resolved to purchase a new SID, and for the occasion of the remaining SIDs to be moved around the village. Cllr Smith will liaise with D Lewis on this.

589. To consider setting up “Nutrition explorers’ group” for children- it was felt that this should be referred to the local schools

590. To review Village maintenance and inspection meeting- During the recent inspection meeting all areas were found to be tidy. Cllr Ascough reported that the Footbridge near the war memorial was covered in ivy and required attention- this is property of the Drainage board- to be reported. Cllr Hobling commented on the bumpy road surface near the crossing in the Risegate- to be reported on Fix my street

591. To consider Tree safety inspection quote- **Resolved** to accept the quote for £400.00 from N Sardeson

592. To discuss National Grid- Weston and East Leicestershire consultation- Clerk attended a webinar, posters regarding this have been put on noticeboards, website and social media. Clerk reported that at a recent Quadring PC meeting Dist Cllr Bingham advised that all Parish Councils should send in a representation. Clerk to action

593. To consider purchasing a new Lincolnshire flag- Resolved to accept the quote from Hampshire Flag co for a 6x4ft sewn flag.

594. To discuss garden allotments and damage to tenants' machinery- Clerk reported that the Tenants are liable for this. Public liability for tenants is available through the Allotment association; clerk is to inform tenants of this option. It was felt that the Farmer should also have checked the area before proceeding with machinery

595. To discuss Cemetery and damage to headstone- Clerk and Chair have agreed to repair headstone at a cost of £25.00, Clerk to contact Parishioner after repairs have been carried to find out if repair is acceptable. Cllr Clark advised that he has a meeting on 23rd to discuss extension to cemetery land. Cllr Ascough has received a request from Mr Thorley about the purchase of a bench to dedicate to his late parents. Resolved to accept cost of repair and grant permission for bench

596. To agree meeting venues- The Clerk reported that it Marjoram is no longer booked on a Monday evening, **Resolved-** to continue to hold every 3rd meeting in the Clough and Risegate

597. Planning matters

Applications for comment

- I. H08-0455-25 FULL- Proposed first floor extension and external timber cladding- Kernow Cottage, Clough Road- S Gooderson
- II. H08-0483-25- PRIOR APPLICATION- Installation of additional roof-mounted solar photovoltaic system on existing agricultural buildings- P Thorold Ltd- Cookes Road- B Thorold
- III. H08-0535-25- RESERVED MATTERS- Erection of 8 Dwellings- (outline H08-0964)- 21 Duke of York 106 Risegate Road, SSJ Developments

No comments

Determinations

- I. H08-0233-25- Proposed single store detached triple garage- 7 Cookes Road- APPROVED
- II. H08-0046-25- Proposed outdoor riding arena- 106 Siltside, Gosberton Risegate- APPROVED
- III. H08-0343-25- Works in tree preservation area, 61 High Street- APPROVED
- IV. H08-0375-25- Single storey extension to rear of bungalow- Joanne, Belnie Lane- APPROVED
- V. H08-0145-25- Change of use and alterations to Former Plumbers Merchants- 31/33a High Street, Gosberton-APPROVED
- VI. H08-0574-25- Proposed new pole- Rearing Farm, Broad Drove, APPROVED

598. Finance

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

DATE	PAYEE	NET AMOUNT (£)	V.A.T. (£)	TOTAL PAID (£)	PAYMENT METHOD
01/06/2025	Gosberton Public Hall 392	15.00		15.00	BACS
31/05/2025	LALC 394	295.00	59.00	354.00	BACS
24/06/2025	BAK Accounting 405	8.00		8.00	BACS
06/06/2025	Glasdon 397	71.73	14.35	86.08	BACS
14/04/2025	Clough Church 407	20.00		20.00	BACS
30/06/2025	Clough school 408	150.00		150.00	BACS
01/07/2025	Gosberton Public hall 411	6.00		6.00	BACS
01/07/2025	NBB Furniture 412	510.00	102.00	612.00	BACS

Payments made between meetings using delegated authority

DATE	PAYEE	NET AMOUNT (£)	V.A.T (£)	TOTAL PAID (£)	PAYMENT METHOD
06/06/2025	Postage 395	6.96		6.96	DEBIT CARD
03/06/2025	Vodafone 396	14.22	2.85	17.07	DEBIT CARD
13/06/2025	Microsoft 399	4.90	.98	5.88	DEBIT CARD
21/06/2025	HPinstant ink 404	17.49	3.50	20.99	DEBIT CARD
15/06/2025	Wave 401	18.77		18.77	DD
04/07/2025	Shaw and Son 414	205.00	41.00	246.00	DEBIT CARD
03/07/2025	Vodafone 415	14.22	2.85	17.07	DEBIT CARD

Previously authorized- for information only

15/06/2025	D Lewis 400	2000.00		2000.00	BACS
30/06/2025	Clerk 406	856.24		856.24	BACS
17/07/2025	D Lewis	2000.00		2000.00	BACS
31/07/2025	Clerk	856.24		856.24	BACS

Resolved to authorize payments

II. To receive bank reconciliations up to 30th June 2025

Balance of Bank Accounts

Current – online balance as at 30 th June 2025	£ 4220.06
Deposit- online balance as at 30 th June 2025	£73373.08
Community – online balance as at 30 th June 2025	£ 37.28
NS & I – as at 30 th June 2025	£54541.32

Resolved to accept bank reconciliation figures

III. To receive income and expenditure

Expenditure since last meeting(including payments approved at meeting)
£7290.30

Income since last meeting 17th May to 30th June 2025

£660.00 (£600.00- cemetery fees £600.00, £60.00- garden allotments)

Expenditure for 2025-2026 £13277.23

Income for 2025-2026(including precept) £37764.18

Resolved to accept Income and expenditure figures

IV. To review budget – Resolved to accept budget figures

599. To receive reports from other committees

Cllr Ascough reported that RMT held a recent inspection meeting, the Trustee's have offered to help the Beehive association with the accounts, as these are overdue for publication. Cllr Ascough reported on the Speedwatch group. The Police had been informed of the recent incident where the Speedwatch team have been harassed by members of the public. The Police will also be joining the Speedwatch team for the next session. Meeting for Unknown Donors is still to be arranged.

600. Agenda items for next meeting

Cemetery

Trees SID

Christmas

Remembrance Day arrangements

Meeting closed at 9.03 pm

Chairman.....