

**Minutes of the Meeting of Gosberton Parish Council  
held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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

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| 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                                      |

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| 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 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 Marjorum is no longer booked on a Monday evening, **Resolved-** to continue to hold every 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

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| 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 30<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

Balance of Bank Accounts

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Current – online balance as at 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2025   | £ 4220.06 |
| Deposit- online balance as at 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2025    | £73373.08 |
| Community – online balance as at 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2025 | £ 37.28   |
| NS & I – as at 30 <sup>th</sup> 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 17<sup>th</sup> May to 30<sup>th</sup> 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.....**