

Minutes of the meeting of Gosberton Parish Council held on 19th January 2026

Present: Cllr J Clark, T Smith (Chair) N Oakman, G Firth, S Weatherly-Barton, I Hobling, D Leworthy, J Ascough and F Newton (Clerk)

Also in attendance: One MOP

Open Forum: Member of the public raised concerns about the speeding traffic along Belchmire lane opposite the junction of Wargate Way. There is access to a property at this junction, the occupants have taken steps with signage to warn motorists of the access but is concerned that it is an accident waiting to happen, Council agreed to raise the matter with LCC.

677. To resolve to accept Apologies for Absence and reasons given in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 s85(1): No apologies received

678. To receive declarations of interests and considerations for any requests for dispensations in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and remind Councillors to keep their declarations up to date with SHDC- The Clerk reminded Councillors to update any interests with SHDC

679. To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 8th December 2025: Resolved to approve the minutes

680. To receive report from District Councillors- no report received

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

LALC	E news and training bulletin
LCC	Lincolnshire Resilience Forum news
Ossian Wind Farm	Newsletter
LCC	Planning information ref Anaerobic digester plant

The Clerk reported that a number of residents are walking their dogs in the cemetery and although the majority of dog waste is picked up it is being disposed of in the waste bins which are there for flower waste etc. It was agreed that a dog waste bin situated on the railings near the gate so that it can be emptied by SHDC may help with this issue.

682. To consider NALC IT policy- to be reviewed at the next meeting

683. To review and adopt

I. Freedom of Information request procedure

Resolved- to adopt the policy

684. To receive update on Cemetery- Cllr Clark to chase, Clerk reported that the box hedges along the cemetery path have been trimmed.

685. To receive update on Community Speedwatch and TRO Boston Road- Cllr Ascough reported on 2025 activity- 4509 vehicles and been checked of which 101

vehicles had been reported to Lincs Community Speedwatch, with an average speed of 46.51 mph. A schedule is in place for 2026.

686. To consider subscribing to the LALC Annual Training scheme- Resolved to subscribe, at a cost of £170.00 plus vat and new Councillors were reminded that they should attend the New Councillor training sessions

687. To consider quotation for cleaning Gosberton Risegate War Memorial: A quotation has been received for this work, and the Clerk has submitted a pre-application for funding towards the works. The War Memorials trust require further information and additional quotes. Clerk to action

688. To confirm signatories on CCLA account as F Newton, J Clark and J Smith: Resolved for signatories F Newton, J Clark and J Smith

689. Planning Matters
Applications for comments:

- I. H08-1261-25-FULL- Demolition of existing barn and erection of detached dwelling, Belnie House, Farm Buildings- K Baxter

Determinations

N/A

690. Finance

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

DATE	PAYEE	PURPOSE OF EXPENSE	TOTAL INC VAT
02/12/2025	Belnie Landscaping	Repair to dog bin	£75.00
24/12/2025	Clerk	Batteries for Xmas lights	£ 6.00
22/12/2025	BAK accounting	Salary admin	£ 8.00
19/12/2025	LALC	Membership	£619.22

Payments made between meetings using delegated authority.

03/01/2026	Vodafone	Clerk mobile	£17.30
15/12/2025	Wave	Water-cemetery	£18.29
30/12/2025	Microsoft	One drive storage 365	£12.10
21/12/2025	Hp inc	Instant Ink	£20.99

Previously authorised-for information only

31/12/2025	Clerk	Salary	£903.98
31/12/2025	HMRC	Salary	£ 12.01
31/01/2026	Clerk	Salary	£903.98
31/01/2026	HMRC	Salary	£ 12.00
15/01/2026	D Lewis	Village maintenance	£2000.00

15/02/2026	D Lewis	Village maintenance	£2000.00
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Resolved to approve payments

II. To receive bank reconciliations up to 16th January 2026

Bank account	Current	
Balance per bank statement at 16/01/2025		5288.59
Uncleared payments		
Date	supplier	Amount
09/12/2025	Belnie landscape	-75.00
09/12/2025	LALC	-619.22
22/12/2025	BAK accounting	-8.00
23/12/2025	Clerk	-6.00
12/01/2026	Belnie landscape	-2000.00
		-2708.22
Total		-2705.22
Total net bank balances at 16/01/2026		2580.37

Bank account	Deposit	
Opening_balance		-618.94
Total receipts		52,792.91
Total payments		-44,543.60
Total transfers		-5,050.00
Closing balance per cash book (must equal net bank balances above)		2,580.37

Current account	£ 5288.59
Deposit account	£60565.70
Charity account	£ 37.28
NS & I	£54541.32

Resolved to accept bank reconciliations

III. To review income and expenditure 2nd December 2025 to 16th January 2026

Income since last meeting £931.89 (£340.00 Cemetery fees- £70.00 allotments, £11.89 National grid, £510.00 donation toward bench)

Expenditure since last meeting (including payments to be approved) £7346.78.

Resolved to approve income and expenditure.

691. To receive reports from other committees: no meetings have been held

676. Agenda items for the next meeting

Cemetery, War memorial, Speedwatch, Gubboles Drove

Meeting closed at 7.52pm

Chairman.....