

**Minutes of the Meeting of Gosberton Parish Council
held via MS Teams on Monday 24th August 2020**

Open Forum: No members of the public joined the meeting.

Present: Councillors: John Clark (Chair), Jeremy Bennett, Emma Walters, Neil Oakman, Tim Smith, Sue Thorley, Lisa Tweddell (Clerk).

Also present: County Councillor Rodney Grocock, District Cllrs Henry Bingham & Simon Walsh.

1. **Apologies and reasons given – none received.**
2. **Declarations of interest and dispensation request for relevant items.**
None received.
3. **To approve and sign the minutes of meeting held on Monday 13th July -**
minutes were taken as read, approved and will be duly signed.

4. **Chairman's remarks and clerk's report.**

Correspondence:

- Letter received from Mr Tinker regarding six acres of land he rents at Barchards Gosberton Clough – he would like to swap the six acres of land with six acres of J Robinson's for one year to give the land a break and change of crop rotation with no money changing hands – spoke to Chair and approval given.
- Training held on Monday 3rd August on how to transfer information to new parish council website – I am in process of getting website up and running, details will be sent out when site is live.
- Pinchbeck Juniors hire agreement signed. Training was due to start in August but still waiting for porta-loo and pitch to be marked out. George Wallace anticipates a September start.
- Report received from a resident that a branch appeared to have been broken by large farm equipment and was hanging on telephone lines at Gubboles Drove. Arb Core attended as a matter of urgency and resolved the issue.
- Long running family dispute over an ashes memorial on a grave plot in the cemetery has now been resolved with the memorial being removed and placed at Pinchbeck, the ashes remaining in the grave plot.
- Laptop purchased from Ark IT Solutions in Spalding at a cost of £712.50 plus vat with Office Home & Student and Backup Drive.

- Email received from Hayley Laches – owner of a field on corner of Gubboles Drove, Beach Bank, currently a grass field used for personal use. However, due to having a planning application in to run a dog training business from this location she wishes to enquire about access to the field and the possibility of a tarmac entrance. She would like confirming in writing what current rights of access there are across the grass verge owned by the parish council as this is the only access point into the field as the remainder of the field is edged with ditches. She would like to talk to someone about how to progress this request further. Clerk to reply and state parish council unable to consider any request until planning permission to application given.
 - Clerk reminded all councillors to return their Declaration of Acceptance of Office forms if they haven't already done so.
5. **To accept resignations from Council Samantha Mumby and Councillor Rowland Perry.**
Resignations accepted.
6. **To fill by co-option the vacant seats on this council.**
Sue Wray was co-opted on to the council for the Gosberton Ward.
7. **Unknown Donor Payments.**
Following the Gosberton Hand Bell Society no longer needing the £200 contribution from the Unknown Donors payments as the cost of repairs to the bells was less than expected, a new beneficiary needs deciding on. It was **resolved** to hold on to the money until another worthy cause presented itself.
8. **Approve the Annual Governance Accountability Return for the year ending 31st March 2020 including receiving the Internal Auditor Report.**
- The Annual Internal Audit Report was read by Chair and noted.
 - Section 1 (Annual Governance Statement 2019/20) of the Annual Return approved and signed by Chair.
 - Section 2 (Annual Governance Statement 2019/20) of the Annual Return approved and signed by Chair.
 - Asset Register for April 2020 approved.
 - Risk Register for April 2020 approved.
 - Insurance cover for year 2020/21 approved.
 - Standing Orders for 2020 adopted.
 - Financial Regulations for 2020 adopted.
9. **Cemetery Land update – Chair.**
Nothing to report.

10. Barchards Allotments B17 – B25 – to become vacant from October 2020.

Clerk to advertise allotments on website and village noticeboards with a closing date before next meeting.

Cllr Thorley asked when the allotment rent review was to take place as it was agreed to carry out a rent review every 3 years – clerk to check and confirm.

11. Trees at Gubboles Drove, Cheal Road, Gosberton.

Whilst attending the broken branch on the BT line at Gubboles Drove recently, the contractor suggested some work needed carrying out on the row of trees nearby on Gubboles Drove. Establish if trees pose problem to wires then consider.

12. Planning Matters

For Comments

- I. **H08-0629-20 – 124B Siltside, Gosberton Risegate** – retrospective - erection of garden shed.
Resident objections received to Parish Council. Objections to be submitted to SHDC as the building is advertised on Facebook as a gym and is not being used as a shed as described in application. As a working gym it is being used early in the morning. It is not in keeping with the surrounding buildings and is not being used as described in planning application.

Comments submitted prior to meeting

- I. **H08-0509-20** – land between 31&35 Westhorpe Road, Gosberton – residential development – **NO COMMENTS**
- II. **H08-0086-20** – ex Gosberton Methodist Chapel, Risegate Road- proposed vehicular access – **NO COMMENTS**
- III. **H08-0512-20** – Adj 12 Bowgate, Gosberton – res development – erection of dwelling – **NO COMMENTS**
- IV. **H08-0512-20** – 98 High Street, Gosberton – res development – erection of detached dwelling with detached garage – **NO COMMENTS**
- V. **H08 -0520-20** – 286 Siltside, Gosberton Risegate – proposed extension to agricultural building – **NO COMMENTS**
- VI. **H08-0504-20** – 2 Panton House, Holbeach Hurn – erection of garage/shed
- VII. **H08-0568-20** – 252 Siltside, Gosberton Risegate – first floor side extension – **NO COMMENTS**

Determinations from SHDC

- I. **H08-0218-20** – site adj Silverdene, Boston Road, Gosberton – **APPROVED**

13. Finance & Payments of accounts

DATE	PAYEE	NET AMOUNT (£)	V.A.T. (£)	TOTAL PAID (£)	PAYMENT METHOD
24.07.20	T N Sneaths & Sons	880.00	176.00	1056.00	BACS

27.07.20	Payroll	810.00	-	810.00	STANDING ORDER
30.07.20	Payroll	15.00	-	15.00	BACS
30.07.20	HMRC	54.34	-	54.34	BACS
30.07.20	Payroll	813.25	-	813.25	BACS
04.08.20	G & J Pecks	31.48	-	31.48	BACS
14.08.20	Internal Audit	279.00	-	279.00	BACS
17.08.20	Arb Core – Gubboles Drove	350.00	70.00	420.00	BACS
24.08.20	Ark ICT Solutions	712.50	132.50	845.00	BACS

14. Councillor reports from other committees where there is council representation.

G.C.A.T. requested permission to do some socially distanced weeding of some trees planted on the playing field – permission was given.

Nothing to report from any other committees.

To resolve that by the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded for the following item 17 of business, on the grounds it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the Acts

Cllrs Grocock, Walsh & Bingham left the meeting at 8.05pm.

15. Staffing matter.

Recorded as Appendix 1.

16. Agenda items for next meeting:

- Staffing matter
- Barchard’s allotment tenders.
- Gubboles Drove trees.
- Remembrance Sunday.

17. Date & venue of next meeting: Monday 5th October at TBC.

Meeting closed at 9.07 pm

Chairman