

Gedney Hill Parish Council

Minutes of the Gedney Hill Parish Council Meeting held on Monday
19th March 2018 in the Memorial Hall at 18.30 hours.

Present:

Councillors K. James (Chairman)
D. Mann
I. Coles
P. Redgate
J. Venters

Also Present - Councillor N. Pepper
Councillor M. Seymour
2 members of the public

Minutes:

Miss. D. Leedham (Parish Clerk)

Cllr James welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited Cllr Mann to speak in relation to the passing of a previous Councillor. Cllr Mann invited everyone to take a few moments to remember and reflect.

1. Public Forum:

A resident advised a meeting had been arranged with Anglian Water to discuss concerns with drainage in the village. The meeting has been arranged for Tuesday 1st May at 10am. All agreed to meet outside the village hall.

Concerns were raised by a resident in relation to the drainage on the building site on North Road. Resident advised concerns over the filling in of the drain at the front. Several Councillors had seen the works on the drain completed and advised that the soil is heavy in clay and therefore slow to drain especially given the recent weather.

2. Apologies for Absence and acceptance:

Winston Brown

PCSO Fylippa Bennet

All apologies for absence were accepted by the Chairman.

3. Declarations of Interest and consideration of any requests for dispensation:

None.

4. Minutes of the last meeting:

It was agreed that the minutes were a true record of the proceedings held on 16th January were duly signed by the Chairman.

5. Police:

PCSO Bennett sent the following email in her absence:

Good Morning

*Apologies I am unable to attend the meeting this evening
Here are reports to the police since 14th January 2018 to date*

January 2018

Luttongate, Gedney Hill – Fly tipping partially blocking the road, officer attended no trace of fly tipping

West Drove South, Gedney Hill – SHDC received a report of a burnt out vehicle – located turned out to be a stolen vehicle from Spalding

Hare Coursing

Gedney Hill Gate, Fleet Fen

Throckenholt

Langary Gate Road, Gedney Hill

February 2018

Theft of diesel from Motor vehicle (digger) – Coronation Avenue, Throckenholt

Hare Coursing

Luttongate, Gedney Hill

Fleet Coy, Gedney Hill

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No reports for March 2018 so far

Regards

Fylippa

6. Highways:

a. Highways Walkabout

Cllr James advised the Walkabout with Cllr Richard Davies would take place on Monday 16th April at 4pm, all ongoing concerns to be reported in advance. Cllr James, Cllr Venters, Cllr Coles and Cllr Mann agreed to attend. All agreed to book community room for meeting.

b. North Road Parking concerns update

Cllr James noted that Clerk was still awaiting response to request for additional review of concerns. All agreed to raise concerns at Walkabout on 16th April.

c. North Road Surface Update

Cllr James updated meeting that though the Clerk had requested an update, Highways were only able to advise that the job was on a job sheet awaiting start. All agreed to raise concerns at Walkabout on 16th April.

d. North Road Closure

Cllr James advised that North Road would be closed for 3 days in the period of 23/0/2018 to 11/05/2018. Clerk had already placed notification on Notice Board. All agreed to raise concerns at Walkabout on 16th April.

e. Resident concerns over gritting of North Road

Cllr James advised that the Clerk was still awaiting an update. All agreed to raise concerns at Walkabout on 16th April.

f. North Road/Hillgate street light update

Cllr James advised that no update had been issued and the Clerk is still awaiting a response from SHDC. Cllr Seymour advised that in most situations the Parish Council would need to supply own street light and cover running costs.

g. Hillgate kerbstone/markings update

Cllr James read through email advising that due to financial restrictions the county council would not currently undertake any new TRO (Traffic Regulation Order) without being raised by the Police or LRSP (Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership) and would need to be supported by accident and collision data. Cllr James also advised that the kerbstone request had been raised with Highways.

7. Speeding through village

a. Update from Cowbit meeting

Cllr James gave an overview of the meeting advising that due to financial restrictions areas were accessed and prioritised based on accident and collision data. Solutions such as Community Speed Watch and streamlining the use of dash cams were put forward.

b. Community Speed Watch (CSW)

Further to the above, all agreed for Clerk to produce poster for notice board and contact residents who had raised speeding concerns to gauge interest in the setup of a local scheme.

c. Resident speeding concerns along Highstock Lane, request to reduce limit to 30mph

Cllr James read through email from resident in relation to speeding concerns along Highstock Lane. All agreed to raise concerns at Walkabout on 16th April and Clerk to contact resident in relation to CSW.

8. Planning

a. Applications and status

Cllr James read through the recent planning applications:

H07-1011-17 – **approved**

H07-1203-17 – **approved**

H07-1162-17 – **approved**

H07-0037-18 – **undecided**

H07-0059-18 – **undecided**
H07-0086-18 – **undecided**
H07-0106-18 – **undecided**

The following comments were advised on applications:

H07-0179-18 – **undecided**

- Safety concerns with access on 's' bend

H07-0203-18 – **undecided**

- No comments

H07-0228-18 – **undecided**

- No comments

Clerk to add comments to planning applications.

b. Response to planning concerns

Cllr James read through response from Richard Fidler, SHDC Development Manager, advising that the National Planning Policy is currently being followed whilst waiting for the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan is adopted. The response also advised that affordable housing is only required for developments of 11 or more dwellings. Cllr Mann raised ongoing concerns with the lack of social housing and properties for first-time buyers in the Parish.

9. Resident concerns over noise from Memorial Hall on 16th December 2017

Cllr James read through concerns with noise on this particular date. He advised that the Clerk had contacted the Memorial Hall by telephone and email and had been advised of a noise limiter cut off system though unsure of what dB this would cut in at. Clerk to chase for response from Memorial Hall and details of the current Chair were passed to the Clerk.

10. Defibrillator training with LIVES – proposal of dates

Cllr James thanked Cllr Seymour for his donation for the training. Clerk enquired with Councillors for dates. It was decided that the Clerk would contact current keys holders in relation to refresher course. Clerk would also contact school/church for a potential key holder. The Clerk would also arrange to have 6 keys cut for access.

11. Sports Pavilion

a. 'brainstorming' and advertising

Cllr Redgate suggested that under 13's, 7 aside and 9 aside were potentially were advertising needed to be aimed. Cllr Venters and Cllr Redgate advised of potential local contact, Cllr Venters to contact. All agreed to Clerk putting notice up on Notice Board.

Cllr Redgate enquired whether there were any restrictions, possibly noted in the lease. Clerk to look into lease and advice.

b. Dog Fouling

Cllr James advised that over the last month he had noted several incidents of dog fouling on the playing field. All agreed to Clerk putting up notice on notice board reminding residents that Fines are possible and CCTV is in operation in the area.

c. Community Newsletter

Clerk suggested that a poster advertising the Pavilion and playing field be sent out with community newsletter that reaches approx. 250 people. All agreed.

12. Notice Board grant application update

Cllr James noted that the meeting to discuss applications would take place tomorrow (Tuesday 20th March).

13. Data Protection

Clerk advised the new GDPR which comes into force on 25th May 2018. Clerk advised that the Audit Questionnaire would require filling out, all agreed to Clerk completing this. Clerk also advised that confirmations from NALC/LALC in regards to a possible shared DPO. Clerk would update Councillors once more information was known.

14. Audit

a. Audit Webinar

Clerk enquired whether Councillors had any questions relating to the recent webinar, no questions.

b. Self-certify audit

All agreed to self-certify audit.

15. Clerks Report

a. Financial Report

The balances for accounts up to 19th March 2018 are as follows:

GHPC

Current Account: £7426.26

Business Reserve Account: £1517.91

GHSP

Current Account: £218.46

Business Reserve Account: £729.85

Total Cash **£9892.48**

GHPC

Monies Out

Clerks Wages £644.72

Handy Man Wages £112.50

Hall Hire (yr) £97.00

ICO Registration	£35.00
Clock Winding	£100.00
GHPC Total Out	£989.25

Monies In

Cemetery	£340.00
SHDC Grant for Difib	£250.00
GHEC Benefit Chq	£1939.39
Transparency Code Fund	£1176.00
Interest	£0.13
GHPC Total In	£3705.52

GHSP

Monies Out

E.A Collishaw	£54.00
EON	£44.65
Anglian Water	£12.10
GHSP Total Out	£110.75

Monies in

Interest	£0.06
GHSP Total In	£0.06

b. Invitation to attend Anglian Water walkabout

See 1. Public Forum

c. Invitation to attend Western Power Distribution Workshop

Clerk advised meeting tomorrow (20th March) in Grantham. All Councillors unable to attend.

d. Sports Assessment

All agreed to Clerk completing questionnaire.

e. LALC training subscription and annual renewal

Clerk advised training subscription for LALC is £85 per year plus £8.50 per course for food. All agreed to decline this year.

Clerk advised LALC annual subscription for the year is £270.12inc, all agreed. Clerk to arrange payment.

f. Transparency Code Funding Update

Clerk advised the funding had been awarded totalling £1176.00, to be broken down as follows:

£350 for computer/laptop
£150 for software including anti-virus
£100 for scanner/printer
£576 for Clerks additional working hours to update website.

All agreed for Clerk to find suitable items and confirm with Cllr James.

g. Precept Update

Clerks advised precept had been submitted to SHDC and queried as lower than previous years but Clerk confirmed was correct.

16.AOB

All agreed to Clock servicing based on quote for £130+VAT and are happy to wait until services are being carried out in the area.

Cllr James raised concerns in reference to a Community Emergency Plan following an email reference the bad weather. Cllr Pepper would forward the Clerk further information to be passed to all Councillors.

Meeting closed at 20.10 hours

17. Closed session to consider Clerks Maternity leave

It was agreed that the meeting move to closed session and exclude public, police and press in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972.

It was agreed that:

1. Clerks Maternity Leave would commence Sunday 13th May and all Councillors would be kept informed of expected return date
2. Maternity/Paternity/Shared Leave Policies to be written and agreed at the meeting in May.
3. APM and AM meeting to be combined this year.
4. Clerks' appraisal due prior to Maternity leave.
5. Clerk to look into meeting timescales for elections.

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Meeting closed at 20.45 hours.

Dates of Next Meetings:

The date of the next meeting will be Monday 21st May in the Memorial Hall at 18.30 hours.

It should be noted that the posting of minutes on the website takes place prior to acceptance and approval of them by the attendees of the relevant meeting.