

GOXHILL PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Goxhill Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Thursday 3rd December 2015 in the Parish Rooms, Howe Lane, Goxhill.

Present: Mr M Gathercole (Chair), Mrs V Gorbitt (vice Chair), Mrs F Dunkley, Mr T Coppack, Mr S England, Mrs H Wood, Mr R Atkin, Mr C Leaning, Mrs T Simons, Mr G Bradnum (from item 5 onwards)

Attending: Ferry Ward Cllrs D Wells and R Hannigan, Mr Carnell, Mr S Beckworth

1. **Apologies for Absence** Cllr P Clark.
2. **Declarations of Interest** None.
3. **Public Participation/update from Ward Councillors/Police Matters.** Cllr Clark advised that there were no Goxhill issues raised at the NATs meeting. Regarding the pipeline, all three ward councillors have written in to support the proposed two-way diversion, and urged the parish council to submit their own comments to the planning inspectorate. Mr Carnell indicated he wished to hear the Memorial Hall report, and Mr Beckworth wished to observe the meeting.
4. **To resolve the minutes of the previous meetings and any matters arising.** The minutes of Thursday 5th November 2015 were resolved as a true and correct record. There were no matters arising.
5. **Councillor Vacancy.** Three letters of applications were considered and voted upon. It was resolved to co-opt Mr Stan Robertson into the vacancy.
6. **Accounts/Financial.** Receipts and payments were approved.
7. **General Correspondence**
 1. Mrs Bruce. A request for financial assistance on behalf of 1st Goxhill Brownies was noted and will be held over for the January meeting..
 2. NL Council. Information on N Lincs Council Parking enforcement service was noted. Cllr Hannigan advised the councillors to contact the team if an issue arose as enforcement will take place. The Chairman agreed that it would be useful for specific parking issues, such as the school.
 3. NL Council. The parish room will be used as a polling station on 5th May 2016.
 4. Goxhill School. A letter requesting the use of the Memorial Hall for a cake sale was noted and agreed that the children could have this for free, as well as use of the parish room.
 5. Goxhill WI. An enquiry as to whether the parish council would mark the Queen's 90th Birthday was considered. Cllr Hannigan advised that North Lincs Council would be offering grants to community groups wishing to mark the occasion. Clerk agreed to write back and liaise with the WI over grant applications nearer the time.

8. **Planning Applications** None at the date of the meeting.
- 9 **Humber Pipeline Project** The Ferry Ward Councillors advised that there were no compulsory purchase powers to extend the proposed bypass road further around the back of the industrial estate. At present, this means that the temporary road will be a one-way system only linking into Soff Road via the industrial estate. The Ward Councillors have written to the planning inspectorate to voice their concern about the suitability of Ferry Road, and to suggest measures which could be implemented to make the temporary road suitable for two-way traffic. It was resolved that the parish council would reinforce these concerns to the planning inspectorate, stressing the inadequate width of Ferry Road, and also the complications that arise from present use of HGV traffic.
10. **Memorial Hall Report & Minutes of last meeting** Letters from Ms Atkin and Mrs Carnell regarding the brass plaques were noted. The Chairman advised Mr Carnell it would be subjudice to discuss Mrs Carnell's letter at the meeting, and it was agreed the letters would be passed to the Memorial Hall committee. It was noted that prior liaison at meetings and sharing of information would have avoided a lot of the problems that had occurred during the re-building project.
Mrs Gorbutt enquired if Mr Carnell still had the time capsule and whether she could collect it. Mr Carnell replied that Mrs Gorbutt could not collect it and that he would hand it over to the builder. The Chairman interceded to address Mr Carnell and said that all Memorial Hall property should be returned to the Parish Council as soon as possible.
11. **Parish Room.** Mr England reported that visitor numbers were just over 100 for the month. Maximum visitors had been 155 in March 2015. Various opening times have been trialled to encourage more users. Despite falling numbers, it was unanimously agreed that this facility was worthwhile and needed to be kept. Clerk said she would place the salt bin at the side of the parish room.
12. **Cemetery** Mrs Dunkley reported the compounds have been completed in the back field – the gravediggers will be informed that all the soil should be placed there instead of on the plants.
Clerk has purchased a salt bin, which will be placed at the gate entrance.
13. **Playing Field** Mrs Dunkley agreed to meet Barton Mowing on site to discuss various winter jobs. Mr Whitemore will be asked to repair the wooden zip wire frame. The clerk reported she had requested a quote from NL Council for the other repair work, and enquired whether the igloo needed removing. It was agreed councillors to look at this before a decision was made.
14. **Footpaths** Mr Coppack had contacted Tim Allen to identify what work needed doing under the parish paths partnership. Mr Allen has confirmed that the contract will be forwarded in January, and that all grant funding will be paid up front. Mr Coppack has also contacted Mr Altoft regarding the repair of benches.
Matters to be reported to PROW: FP70 fingerpost is missing.
15. **Millennium Green** Nothing further to report. Clerk to contact Humber Nature to ask what work they will be doing in December.
16. **Hallands Woodland** Nothing further to report.
17. **Allotments** All tenancies have been completed except for one vacant plot.

18. **Cherry Tree Avenue** Mrs Dunkley has spoken again to Colin Horton who has advised that there are two places available for training. Mrs Dunkley to liaise with interested parties.
19. **Highways/Environmental** Mr England was thanked for refurbishing the street signs, thirteen have been completed so far. Penny Lane hairdressers have sent a thank you card for refurbishing the Church Street nameplate which is affixed to their wall.
It was resolved to write to the occupants of Felgate, Stothards Lane to request them to cut back the overhanging ivy and branches from power cables.
20. **Gander articles**. All articles to Mrs Dunkley please. Mrs Simons commented that the parish council articles were very well written, and Mr Leaning thanked Mr Gathercole for praising his involvement with the Memorial Hall rebuild.
21. **Any other business** The car abandoned on Sykes Lane has been reported to N Lincs Council's flytipping team.
Mrs Dunkley informed the councillors that Malcolm Dunderdale's family had kindly purchased and planted a Rowan tree in the memorial circle.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.15pm. Next meeting to be held on Thursday 7th January 2016.