

GOXHILL PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Goxhill Parish Council held at 7.00pm on
Thursday 7th September 2017 in the Parish Room, Goxhill**

Present Mr S England (Chair), Mrs V Gorbitt (vice Chair), Mrs H Wood, Mrs F Dunkley,
Mr G Bradnum, Mr T Coppack, Mr S Robertson, Mrs T Simons, Mr R Atkin,
Mr C Leaning
In attendance Ferry Ward Councillors R Hannigan and D Wells, Mr J Raby, Mr Ruddy and one member
of the public
Clerk: Mrs C Reynolds

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| 1. <u>Apologies for Absence.</u> Mr M Gathercole | | | |
| 2. <u>Declaration of Interest.</u>
Mr England – item 15(3)
Mr S Robertson – item 15(3) | | | |
| 3. <u>Attendance of Andrea Brocklebank (Tree Officer).</u> Mrs Brocklebank introduced herself as the highway tree officer for North Lincs Council. She explained that the schedule of work for replacing the Ferry Road cherry trees had been delayed due to awaiting permission from Northern Power. In the meantime, a situation has arisen where National Grid have proposed to remove the trees from Bridge Hill to North End, in order for a wide piece of heavy plant machinery to be transported to the pipeline site. Mrs Brocklebank explained that NLC were powerless to prevent this, but compensation would be paid, and the funds could be used to re-plant the avenue with a mix of different species. More information will be forwarded to the clerk after her meeting on 8 th September. Other proposed works to be carried out in Goxhill are the removal of dead Hawthorn trees around Abbeygarth Villas, and crown lifting the Horsegatefield Road Lime tree avenue. She confirmed that tree stumps will not be ground out due to lack of funding. Mr England asked if a schedule of work could be forwarded, and Mrs Dunkley also enquired if another survey could be carried out on various trees within the village, as the previous one supplied by Colin Horton has been lost. Mrs Brocklebank enquired whether the village had any public spaces suitable for larger tree planting, and suggested that the Parish Council might be able to seek funding through alternative grant schemes, such as the Woodland Trust. The Chair thanked Mrs Brocklebank for her attendance. | Forward
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| 4. <u>Humber Pipeline.</u> Apologies were received from Jonathan Compton. | | | |
| 5. <u>Public Participation/update from Ward Councillors.</u>
Cllr Wells explained that the request for 30mph roundels on Ferry Road were not practical as the highways road marking team thought the HGV traffic would wear them off too quickly. He also noted that a property on Soff Lane has received a Council enforcement notice to submit planning permission for breeding dogs. | | | |

Cllr Hannigan informed the council that South End residents had expressed concern about HGV traffic not connected to the pipeline, and that a traffic calming programme had been agreed for implementation in March 2018. Cllr Hannigan also said that NL Council officers will fulfil their obligations in responding to enquiries.

6. **Neighbourhood Watch.** Mrs Gibbins has managed to secure funding for 2 x CCTV cameras for the village, and is currently pursuing funding for a third.
7. **To resolve the minutes of the previous meeting.** Mr England proposed the minutes as a true and correct record. Unanimously resolved. It was agreed to review the revised layout at the November meeting. Nov Agenda Clk Nov mtg
8. **General Correspondence.**
- (1) Due to an issue with emergency services being unable to locate a property, a request was received from Mrs White to review the issue of changing house names to numbers, or to update the 2000 House Plan Locator. Councillors agreed to most practical solution would be to contact the Gander Team to see if the House Plan Locator could be updated. Contact Gander Team Clk Nxt mtg
- (2) Correspondence was received from Mr Beckwith to request the relocation of the Gatehouse Road dog bin to a more prominent place at the Barrow Road Crossroads. Resolved that the Clerk should ask NL Council if this is permitted. Mr England or Mrs Gorbutt agreed to move the bin. Contact NLC Clk Nxt mtg
9. **Accounts/Financial.** Mr England proposed the August and September payment for approval. Seconded by Mrs Dunkley and unanimously resolved. The clerk noted that the NE Lindsey Drainage rates for Hallands Wood have been transferred from Hargreaves Farm to Goxhill Parish Council.
- 10 **Planning Applications.** The following applications were considered:
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| 2017/1180 | Stubbs | Land used for horses, Chapelfield Road. Planning permission to erect a hay barn. <i>No comment or objection.</i> |
| 2017/1289 | Elsham Linc | Fir Tree Farm. Planning permission to erect a sub-station. <i>No comment or objection.</i> |
| 2017/1388 | Northern Powergrid | Fir Tree Farm, East Marsh Road. Permission to erect one additional wooden pole to an existing overhead line. <i>No comment or objection.</i> |
| 2017/1389 | Thomas | Land adjacent Plum Cottage, North End. Application for a non-material amendment to PA 2005/1696. <i>Comment regarding lapse and non-renewal of application.</i> |
| 2017/1274 | Holmes | Millfields, Ferry Road. Outline Planning permission for the erection of detached dwelling. <i>Objection on grounds of development outside of the settlement boundary 9 objection:1 abstain</i> |
| 2017/1174 | Geddes | Celxo Pastures, College Road. Planning permission for change of use of land for the keeping of horses and for the erection of horse shelter and walking ring. <i>No comment or objection.</i> |

2017/1277	Neave	Former RAF Building, Soff Lane. Application to vary condition 3 of PA/2013/0891 to allow a temporary caravan on site until 2020. <i>No comment or objection.</i>
2017/1131	Raby	Land Adjacent Sunny Bank. Planning permission to erect dormer bungalow and detached garage. <i>No comment or objection.</i>
2017/1162	Keigar Homes	Brocklesby Hunt. Planning permission for a minor material amendment to approved planning design to make changes to the design of the conversion of the existing building into two dwellings. <i>No comment or objection 6 votes for: 2 objections; 2 abstain.</i>
2017/1158	Birkett	Adjacent Ivanhoe, Thornton Road. Application for a non material amendment to previous planning permission. <i>No comment or objection.</i>
2017/1052	Mosley	Littleworth Grange. Determination for the requirement for prior approval for an agricultural building. <i>No comment or objection.</i>

11 Memorial Hall Report.

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| (1) The minutes of the July meeting were noted and approved. | | | |
| (2) The website is up and running, and working well with the calendar. | | | |
| (3) Tennis Court grant. Clerk reported that she had spoken to the Grants Panel Officer, and a decision would be made within two weeks. Photos of the existing and proposed mesh netting were circulated. | Fwd to
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| (4) ERNLLCA. Alan Barker will attend the next meeting on 20 th Sepember. There were no other updates. | | | |

12 Footpaths

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| (1) Mr Coppack reported that he had cleared the brambles on FP62 and the Parish Triangle, and will cut back overhanging bushes on FP55. | | | |
| (2) The issue of the ramp on FP62 was discussed. At the moment, it does not obstruct walkers but the clerk outlined the potential problem it would cause if the footpath were reduced to its minimum width of 1.8m. The footpaths officer has agreed to write to the household concerned to warn them of the obstruction. Cllr Hannigan requested details to be forwarded onto him so that he could take this up. | Fwd
details | Clk | Nxt
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| (3) Bench Green Ramper. The bench has been measured, with an estimated repair cost of £150-£180 using volunteer labour. It was unanimously resolved that Mr Coppack should source the wood for the repair. | Source
wood | TC | Nxt
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| (4) Footpaths walked: 49,51,53a,63,62,Green Ramper,55,67. | | | |
| (5) Mrs Gorbitt raised the recent issue of dogs being out of control on footpaths and jumping up at runners. The Chair suggested the people concerned should report this to the police | | | |

13 Parish Room

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| (1) Mr Bradnum reported there were no issues with the parish room. | | | |
| (2) New Boiler. This has been installed and a gas safety certificate obtained. Clerk confirmed the heating appears to be a lot more efficient. | | | |
| (3) External painting. Mr Branford has completed the external painting. Clerk agreed to ask if he could retouch the brickwork where the new boiler flue was installed afterwards. Mr England suggested that the cost of internal decoration should be precepted for in the next financial | Contact
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year. A new Parish Sign has also been purchased and erected by the Chair.

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| (4) Water ingress. Clerk explained the water ingress appeared to be from the round vent, rather than the window. Remedial measures will be taken to block up the vent. | Arr
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14. Cemetery

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| (1) Mrs Dunkley reported that everything was in order. Mrs Gorbutt agreed to put down the new grass seed, and Mrs Dunkley will ask Mr Skipworth to do one extra cut of the field in preparation for the wild flowers. | FD/
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| (2) Tree guards have been in place. | | |
| (3) Clerk has spoken to George Hutton. Work on the path slabs will commence in approx one month, followed by the tarmac. Mr Hutton has kindly agreed to tarmac from the gateway upto the roadway edge at no extra cost. | | |
| (4) Brownies. Nothing further has been heard regarding the proposed shrub planting. | | |
| (5) Nothing further has been heard regarding the memorial bench. | | |
| (6) Plans. Mrs Gorbutt agreed to ask Mr Bingham to do the plans in two halves, and on thicker paper. | VG | Nxt
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| (7) Bench. Mr England enquired about the bench repairs, and Mrs Gorbutt agreed to get a price for the next meeting. | VG | Nxt
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15. Playing Field

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| (1) Mrs Dunkley gave a general report on the constant problem of litter, and also noted that the bear bin was broken, although still useable. | | | |
| (2) MUGA. Mrs Dunkley met the Playdale Engineer who undertook some repairs and tightening of bolts on site. It is hoped that this will resolve the noise problem. A separate engineer also looked at the Witches Hat spinner and has identified why it keeps seizing up. Playdale have supplied a quotation of £1111.40 + VAT for repairs, and after discussion, it was unanimously resolved that this should be accepted. Clerk to enquire about a guarantee on the work. | Order
repair | Clk | Nxt
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| (3) A new skatepark design was circulated, and it was agreed that this is a much better design than the previous one, as it is more geared towards entry – medium level children who use bikes and scooters. A local skateboarder, Mr Webb, has provided some useful advice on and is willing to assist with the planning and consultation stages. It was resolved that the clerk should arrange a further meeting with Bendcrete, and to also invite Goxhill Primary schoolchildren to attend. Mr England agreed to speak to Baysgarth School. Mr Ruddy, a local resident, addressed the councillors to outline his concerns over the proposal, and suggested the Council should reconsider its decision. The Chair noted his concerns and thanked Mr Ruddy for his attendance. | Arr
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| (4) Inspection Repairs. Clerk has asked Neighbourhood Services for a quotation to repair the flat swings, removal of slight graffiti, Tom Thumb climbing frame, and the goal posts. | | Clk | Nxt
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- (5) Refuse bins. Problems have been encountered with the black wheelie bin overflowing during school holidays. Clerk confirmed NL Council will not supply a bigger bin free of charge. It is hoped the situation will resolve now the holidays are over. The Topsy Royale bin has been delivered, and will be in place shortly. Put in MG bin
- 16. Millennium Green.**
- (1) Maintenance of flower planters. Unfortunately, the planters were vandalised and have had to be disposed of. Mr England reported the incident to the police, and managed to salvage some plants and roses, which have been planted elsewhere. The two other benches still remain on the Green. The issue was also raised at the NATs meeting. Draw up plans FD
- (2) Maintenance. Mrs Dunkley agreed to go around the Green again to draw up a schedule of work that needs to be done, and it was suggested that more money should be precepted for next year, with a view for it to be maintained more like a park and wildlife area.
- 17. Open Space Chapel Street.** Mrs Dunkley circulated a suggested plant list, with an estimated cost of £900 to plan an 80sq m area. Clerk was requested to look at ways to obtain grant funding, potentially from the Co-op or Tesco. Look at fdg Clk Nxt mtg
- 18 Highways/Environmental**
- (1) Appointment of Snow Warden. Mr Leaning agreed to continue as snow warden.
- (2) Traffic monitoring. This will be carried out in December.
- (3) Flower planters. Mr Gorbutt agreed to ring the Caravan Park regarding their planter outside the surgery. Mr Atkin said he had 2 more planters and enquired whether they would prefer one outside their property instead. VG to VG Nxt liaise mtg
- (4) Chapel Street – dealt with under item 17
- (5) Yellow Lines. Clerk to chase up this item again
- (6) Dog bins. Requests for a replacement bin for the North End verge and a quotation for a new one on Nan Brigham have been logged at NLC. Send Clk Nxt reqst mtg
- (7) Mrs Dunkley noted the potholes on Church Street which had been left by utility services. Clk requested to inform Darren Uzzle at NLC
- 19. BCCRP.** The OGM will be held at 11am on 11.09.17 at Grimsby Station.
- 20 Administration**
- (1) Draft Contingency Policy. Clerk agreed to draw up a contingency policy in case of absence. Clk Nxt mtg
- (2) Personnel Committee. Mr England had sought advice from Richard Mell view a view to increasing the committee size. Mr Mell had advised this was permissible provided it was not prohibited in Standing Orders; however, Cllr Wells suggested this was not good employment practice. It was resolved that the Personnel Committee should remain at three members with Mrs Wood, Mrs Dunkley and Mr Coppack being in reserve.

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| (3) Draft Policy for Recording of Council Meetings. A draft policy was circulated for comment. Final draft will be adopted at the next meeting. | Final Policy | Clk | Nxt mtg |
| (4) Social Media. Mr England read out a statement expressing his disappointment at recent comments made by councillors on The Goxhill Grapevine which related to the skatepark. He proposed that the council should adopt a Social Media Policy, and the Clerk circulated a draft policy on Social Media Policy for comment. Final draft will be circulated at the next meeting. | Final policy | Clk | Ngxt mtg |
| (5) Archiving. It was resolved that Caroline Atkin should catalogue the old documents from the safe, and that these should be deposited in the Grimsby Archives for safe-keeping afterwards | Liaise with CA | Clk | Nxt mtg |
| (6) Website Info. The school have enquired whether some information could be provided on the Parish Council website. Information has been received from the Bowls Club also. The text was read out and approved for publication on the site. | Chg Wsite | Clk | Nxt mt |
21. **Gander.** It was resolved to put an article in the Gander giving information about the skatepark. FD
22. **Date and time of next meeting.** The next meeting will be held on Thursday 6th October 2017. Time to be confirmed depending upon the attendance of Jonathon Compton (Humber Pipeline) SE /clk
23. **Cllr Leaning v Donald Kitchin.** A proposal by the Chair to exclude the press and public on grounds of confidentiality was unanimously resolved. This item was discontinued due to an objection from the clerk.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.45 pm.