

Goxhill Parish Council Footpaths Committee Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Goxhill Parish Council Footpaths Committee Meeting held at 11.00am on **Friday 11th October 2019** at the Parish Room, Goxhill

PRESENT: Cllr Theresa Simons, Cllr Val Gorbutt and Cllr Jack Lawtey

ALSO PRESENT: Vicky Haines – Parish Clerk
Member of the Public

MINUTES

1910/1 Apologies

Apologies for absences were received from Cllr Gathercole

1910/2 To Elect a Chair

To elect a chair for the Footpaths committee

RESOLUTION: That Cllr Gorbutt was duly appointed as Chair of the Footpaths Committee

1910/3 Terms of Reference

To adopt the committee Terms of Reference

RESOLUTION: That the Footpaths Terms of Reference were duly adopted

1910/4 Footpaths cutting 2020

To update the committee of the current parish paths scheme and confirm how many cuts to be completed for the paths in 2020

The committee discussed the current schedule received by NLC and it was established there are some paths located in the footpaths booklet that are not on the cutting schedule, Footpath 53 was one identified. Due to this Cllr Lawtey has volunteered to create a spreadsheet of all the paths so the Committee can establish what paths require cutting ready for quotations to be sought.

RESOLUTION: Spreadsheet of all Footpaths to be created ready for pricing to be Sought

ACTION: Clerk and Cllr Lawtey

Footpath 62 was discussed if the Council would be refurbishing the Keigar section of path and was suggested that the Clerk contacts NLC to establish if the path owner has a duty to maintain the path before a letter is written to Keigar.

RESOLUTION: That contact is made to NLC to seek information

ACTION: Clerk

The committee discussed contacting the current contractor to find out for 2020 when the first and last cuts take place in order for the committee to make a decision of the required number of cuts, information to be received regarding what paths have been cut and by what method

RESOLUTION: That contact is made to the contractor to obtain the relevant information

ACTION: Clerk

Cllr Lawtey asked a member of the public if they would be willing to act as a Parish Path Warden Along with other dog walkers and to report back to the Council of any paths requiring attention and Cllr Lawtey also suggested the Footpaths cutting is split up in to 2 tiers prioritising the main footpaths with extra cuts and the less used paths to be cut to the agreed standard amounts.

The meeting discussed the situation on Green ramper regarding the ditches and it was suggested the Council write to the land owner asking if they could cut and clear the dyke, there are also reports of the hedges being overgrown on Path 62 and since this has been conformed as the owner's responsibility the committee have asked the Clerk to send letters to the relevant owners

RESOLUTION: Cllr Lawtey to send the Clerk the address of the properties concerning and the Clerk to write letters asking for the hedges to be trimmed

ACTION: Cllr Lawtey and Clerk

A member of the public raised the question if the Footpaths will be scheduled cuts in Winter and it was

discussed that the Clerk contact NLC to establish how much per metre NLC will reimburse for the cutting of the footpaths in accordance with the Parish Paths Scheme and how many cuts per year will NLC reimburse the Council for.

RESOLUTION: That contact is made with the relevant department at NLC to obtain the relevant information in order for the Committee to precept effectively

ACTION: Clerk

1910/5 Future meeting frequency

To consider future meetings to take place quarterly and on the third Thursday of the month

RESOLUTION: That he committee agreed to hold future committee meetings on a quarterly basis on the third Thursday of every month

1910/6 Agenda for next and future Meetings

To take note of any items for the next or future Agenda.

- Precept for Footpaths cutting

1910/7 Date of next Meeting

To confirm the date, time and location of the next meeting as (subject to any Change in circumstances):

Tuesday 26th November 2019

9.30am at the Parish Rooms