

GOXHILL PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the monthly meeting of Goxhill Parish Council held at 7.45 pm on Thursday 6th
April 2017 in the Parish Room, Howe Lane.**

Present: Mr S England (Chair), Mrs V Gorbutt (vice Chair), Mr M. Gathercole, Mr G Bradnum, Mrs F Dunkley, Mr R Atkin, Mr S Robertson, Mrs T Simons, Mr C Leaning

Attending: Ferry Ward Cllr D. Wells and P Clark, Mrs Gibbins (GNeW) and 5 members of the public.

1. **Apologies for Absence**. Apologies were received from Cllr R Hannigan, Mrs Wood, and Mr Coppack.
2. **Declarations of Interest** Declarations were made as follows:
Mrs Gorbutt – planning item 2017/330
Mr England – item 15 (3) and item 15 (4)
Mr Robertson – item 15(3) and item 15(4)
3. **Public Participation/update from Ward Councillors/Police Matters** Cllr Wells said that the village signs were currently at the printers. Regarding the query on staff vehicles for the pipeline, the response from NL Council was that they would be adhering to the one-way system, but would have to use the public roads South End –Soff Lane due to the relief road being closed at night. Shift patterns were expected to be 7pm to 7am so night-time traffic movement would be minimal.
Due to members of the public wishing to speak on this item, The Chairman then suggested that item 8, Humber Pipeline should be discussed next on the agenda, and this was agreed.
4. **Humber Pipeline**. Mr Cairns explained that the traffic movement hours were clearly laid out in the planning conditions, and enquired what the penalty would be for Pipeline vehicles that contravened the stipulated times. He also enquired what was happening with the promised house surveys on properties along the traffic route. The Chairman said that he had invited Mr Compton to the May meeting to give an update.
After further discussion on speeding vehicles, it was resolved that the clerk should contact Roy Hindmarsh with a view to implementing both the Golden River speed check, and also a flashing speed camera. The flashing camera costs in the region of £540 for 3 months, and it was agreed that the National Grid should be approached with a view to paying for this.
Mrs Gorbutt enquired whether the CCTV issue had been resolved, and Mr England confirmed that he had visited the property and seen the appropriate signs. Mr Cairns assured the Parish Council that the camera was a security precaution, and that he was familiar with the rules on data protection.
Mr Leaning spoke of his concerns that the whole pipeline project would get seriously behind schedule because of all the restrictions that were being imposed.
4. **To resolve the minutes of the previous meeting**. Mr Bradnum proposed the minutes of the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 2nd March 2017 as a true and correct record. Seconded by Mr Gathercole and resolved.

5. **Accounts/Financial.** Receipts and payments for April were proposed by Mr England, seconded by Mr Robertson and resolved.
6. **Neighbourhood Watch.** Mrs Gibbons address the meeting to report that she had permission to erect new neighbourhood watch signs at various locations throughout the village, and would also be replacing older signs as well. The take-up response for the alarms was good, with 4 boxes gone already, and more on order. She has also assisted business premises within the village with fitting window and door alarms. There are currently 50 people on the database for information updates, and approx 6 people who are willing to help. Police patrols have been increased, including night-times, and the next step is to arrange a police advice surgery.
7. **Friends of the Brock.** An update from Anne Lawtey was read out, which said negotiations were still taking place prior to the deadline for exchanging contracts.
8. **General Correspondence**
1. An invitation to the Lincs Lotto launch was extended to the councillors.
9. **Planning Applications.**
All councillors are requested to view the application register before the meeting.
<http://www.northlincs.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/planning>
- PA2017/330 Shepherdson Poplar View, Soff Lane. Planning permission to erect a single storey extension
No comments or objection.
10. **Local Plan** Extracts from the local plan document show Goxhill being defined as a large rural settlement, and ranked 7th in its sustainability. Cllr Wells invited the councillors to submit further comments regarding open spaces and highways, but none were proposed.
11. **Footpaths**
(1) Report by Footpaths Chair. Deferred until next meeting due to Mr Coppck's absence
(2) Parish Paths Agreement Meeting. Deferred until next meeting.
(3) Any other footpath issues/footpaths walked. Mrs Gorbitt reported that North Lincolnshire Council had cut back the trees on Nan Brigham without requesting a footpath closure, or informing the parish council. When challenged, they said they had forgot. It was resolved the clerk should write to the footpaths officer requesting their staff to be more diligent and careful in future.
12. **Parish Room.**
(1) Report by Parish Room Chair. Mr Bradnum did not have any issues to report.
(2) Any other parish room matters. The clerk reported that Lowe Heating had been in to assess what needed to be done to the heating system. Mr England confirmed that the timer seemed to go haywire on a regular basis.
13. **Cemetery.**
(1) Report by Cemetery Committee Chair. Mrs Dunkley reported that the new border had been weedkilled, and the rubbish would be removed shortly. The groundsman has also moved the walking paths. It was resolved to purchase some new grass seed – Mrs Gorbitt agreed to get this.

- (2) Any other cemetery matters. Mr Bingham is photocopying and redrawing the paper plan as it has become tatty and fragile.
Mr Leaning enquired about the concrete bench, and Mrs Gorbitt confirmed she had removed this already.
Clerk agreed to ring George Hutton to set a suitable date for renewing the paths.

14. Playing Field

- (1) Report by Playing Field Chair. Mrs Dunkley reported the field was looking good and tidy, with only the occasional spot of litter. Mr England said there had been a dead fox on the field, which has now gone, and enquired who was responsible. Clerk confirmed it was the parish council's responsibility unless it was on the public footpath, but that she would ask Mr Whitmore if he would be prepared to deal with such matters if they arose again.
- (2) Drainage/pea gravel of footpath. Awaiting drier weather.
- (3) MUGA. Mr England reported that he had held a meeting with Mr Atkin and Mr Leaning one morning to look at the MUGA. He believed that the noise was caused through a design fault, which could be remedied by removing a bolt. Other councillors expressed concern that this might invalidate the warranty, and the clerk agreed to check this with Playdale. Mr England and also Mr Robertson also outlined other buffering methods which could be employed.
- (4) Skatepark. Clerk reported she had spoken to Lindsey Heathfield from NL Council, who had recommended Bendcrete as a good manufacturer who had installed several skateparks in the area. It was proposed by Mrs Dunkley, seconded by Mr Robertson, and resolved that Bendcrete would be contacted with a view to submitting a new design.

15. Highways/Environmental

- (1) Cherry Trees, Ferry Road. Cllr Wells is pursuing this issue.
- (2) Village signs. On-going.
- (3) Flower planters. On-going
- (4) Open space land off Chapel Street. Mrs Dunkley is looking at plant suppliers, but thought it would be better to wait until prices settled down. Mrs Dunkley agreed to do the initial plant scheme drawing, which can be given to a contractor for planting up.
- (5) Parking restrictions at School. A request for the yellow lines to be repainted has been submitted.

16. Memorial Hall Report

- (1) The minutes of the previous meeting were resolved.
- (2) Caretaker's contact. Mr Gathercole proposed a resolution to exclude members of the press and public on the grounds of confidentiality. Seconded by Mr England on resolved. Mr Gathercole read out the report from the personnel committee, and it was resolved that the clerk should draw up a new caretaker's contract.
- (3) Any other matters arising from the Committee Meeting.

- 17. BCCRP.** Mr Gathercole read out his report from the last meeting of the rail partnership, and said he believed the decrease in passenger numbers were due to the number of recent cancellations.

- 18. Gander articles.** All articles to Mrs Dunkley please.

- 19. Date and time of next meeting.** There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.55pm. Next meeting to be held on Thursday 4th May 2017.