

## GOXHILL PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Goxhill Parish Council held on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2026** at **19.30** at Parish Rooms, Howe Lane, Goxhill.

**Present:** Cllrs S England (Chair), T Snell (Vice Chair), K Bollington, D Carnell, D Elliott, V Gorbutt, M Jones, C Leaning, A Ruddy, R Snell

Ward Cllr: R Hannigan

Locum Clerk: A Boulton

Two members of the public

### AGENDA

Agenda Item		Detail
2601/1 <b>Apologies</b>		Apologies for absence, if any. <b><i>Apologies were received from Cllr K Favell and Ward Cllrs P Clark and D Wells</i></b>
2601/2 <b>Declarations of Interests / Dispensations</b>	a)	Declarations of Interests, in respect to agenda items to be made and recorded in the minutes even if an interest has been declared on the register. COUNCILLORS MUST DECLARE ANY AMENDMENT TO PECUNIARY INTERESTS WITHIN 28 DAYS. <b><i>Cllr D Carnell 2601/9 Personal</i></b>
	b)	For the Council to note any dispensations presented to the chair prior to the meeting, and their resolution. <b><i>None received</i></b>
2601/3 <b>Minute Approval</b>		To receive and approve as a true and correct record the minutes from the ordinary meeting of the council that took place on 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2025 at 7.30pm. <b><i>Resolved: To approve and sign the Minutes</i></b> <b><i>Prop: Cllr Bollington; Sec: Cllr R Snell. 7 for, 2 abstentions</i></b>
2601/4 <b>Clerk Recruitment</b>		To receive an update on the progress of the current vacant clerk's position. <b><i>Cllr T Snell reported that three people had expressed an interest but only one had put in an application. This application was not suitable so it was agreed that the post will be advertised again. Cllr Snell said she believed the PC was right to be thorough and councillors agreed</i></b>
2601/5 <b>General Correspondence</b>		To acknowledge and discuss any correspondence received in the month of December and up to the date of the meeting and to agree any actions henceforth. <b><i>Three items of correspondence were received concerning planning which is an agenda item.</i></b> <b><i>The missing AGAR financial statement has been uploaded to the website.</i></b> <b><i>It was asked whether the external auditor should correspond with members of the public direct. Cllr Elliott will check on this.</i></b>
2601/6 <b>Cemetery</b>		To receive an update on any recent activity concerning the cemetery. Purchased plots. <b><i>Cllr Gorbutt reported on the recent purchase of a plot.</i></b> Recent burials. Cemetery plans update. <b><i>Cllr England suggested a meeting with the Cemetery Committee to appoint someone to liaise with the cemetery planners.</i></b>

		Drainage updates <b><i>A manhole has been found under the grass and a quote is being sought to raise the cover.</i></b>
2601/7 Finance		To approve the schedule of payments for December 2025. <b><i>Resolved: To approve the schedule of payments. Prop: Cllr Bollington; sec: Cllr Carnell. Unanimous.</i></b> To approve that the acting RFO can pay invoices received for work in January, in February owing to there being no scheduled full GPC meeting. <b><i>As most invoices relate to contracts which are automatically paid monthly, it was agreed that the RFO should be authorised to pay the February invoices. Prop: Cllr England; sec: Cllr T Snell. Unanimous.</i></b>
2601/8 Report from Ward Councillors	a)	To agree that the meeting be suspended to receive the Ward Councillors' report. <b><i>Prop: Cllr England; sec: Cllr R Snell.</i></b> <b><i>Cllr Hannigan had been approached by residents regarding the state of the roads. He said he and the head of highways at NLC were prepared to organise a walk round the village with two parish councillors to list what needs doing regarding maintenance. Cllrs Jones and Ruddy volunteered and a provisional date will be notified. He explained the criteria for repairing potholes and said NLC were looking at a machine for the job. He said the red rating that NLC had been given did not tally with the data so it was appealed and the council will be re-rated. He compared the annual budget for maintenance (£7 million) with the budgets for Adult Services and other similar departments, which are a great deal more. Cllr Hannigan also reported that Natural England have suspended their criteria so that the works on College Road will be finished much earlier.</i></b>
	b)	To consider any actions arising from the report, to agree any actions henceforth.
2601/9 Planning Applications		To consider any planning applications or proposals and to agree any comments or actions henceforth.  <b><i>PA/2025/1518</i></b> Southolm, Church Side, Goxhill, Barrow upon Humber, DN19 7HY Planning permission to vary condition 2 of <a href="#">PA/2022/1927</a> for a revised design <b><i>It was felt that the amended design made the property even larger. One of the reasons given for the previous refusal was that the design was too contemporary and not appropriate for the surroundings. It was proposed that GPC objects to the new proposal. Prop: Cllr Jones; sec: Cllr T Snell. Unanimous.</i></b>  <b><i>PA/2025/1598</i></b> Land south-east of Fir Tree Farm, East Marsh Road, Goxhill Planning permission for a hardstanding and compound of approximately 21,060m <sup>2</sup> (2.1ha) for welfare, equipment laydown, drill entry point, retention pond, topsoil and subsoil storage bunds, parking and two temporary access tracks linking the compound to the local road network, and associated infrastructure in connection to the horizontal directional drill (HDD) bore under the River Humber <b><i>1518/1600 It was felt that the PC could not make any comments on these proposals. Prop: Cllr England; sec: Cllr Jones</i></b> <b><i>PA/2025/1600</i></b> land south-east of Fir Tree Farm, East Marsh Road, Goxhill Planning permission for an area of underground development to incorporate the insertion of approximately 50m of 42" diameter metal casing to guide the drill through unstable soils, and the installation of a section of 3" to 4.5" (outer diameter) steel pipe sleeve through the whole length of the horizontal directional drill (HDD) under the river Humber and associated infrastructure <b><i>Prop: Cllr Jones; sec: Cllr Gorbutt</i></b>
2601/10 Councillor Expense Fund		To discuss and agree if GPC should have a fund available for unforeseen expenses for councillors, and to agree any actions henceforth. <b><i>Resolved: To defer this to the next meeting.</i></b>

2601/11 <b>Goxhill Gander</b>	To agree who will write the next article and to agree any resolutions henceforth. <b><i>Cllr Elliott volunteered to write the article. Councillors will email him with any topics.</i></b>
2601/12 <b>Playground Update</b>	To take note of any updates to the park, MUGA or field that need to be brought to the attention of the council, and to agree any resolutions henceforth. <b><i>Cllr R Snell said that repairs will begin on January 22<sup>nd</sup>.</i></b> To agree any expenses incurred by GPC in the maintenance of the park and playground including monthly safety reports. <b><i>None</i></b>
2601/13 <b>Grant Application</b>	To receive an update on any grants being applied for. <b><i>Cllr R Snell would like to apply for a grant to remove the old climbing frame and replace with a new one. Agreed. Prop: Cllr M Jones; sec; Cllr Leaning</i></b> <b><i>Cllr Ruddy suggested replacing the cherry trees from Manor Lane to the crossroads.</i></b>
2601/14 <b>Parish Rooms Caretaker &amp; GPC Handyman</b>	To discuss the current situation at the Parish Rooms and to agree any resolutions henceforth. <b><i>At present the Community Room doesn't have a caretaker. Councillors will try and recruit someone.</i></b> To discuss the current Handyman suggestion and to agree any resolutions henceforth
2601/15 <b>GPC Savings Account</b>	To receive an update on the possibility of GPC having a savings account. <b><i>It was agreed that Cllrs Elliott and Gorbutt will liaise with a view to using the same provider as NLC. Prop: Cllr Elliott; sec: Cllr R Snell</i></b>
2601/16 <b>Community Café</b>	To discuss February's Community Café and GPC's ongoing support and agree any actions henceforth. <b><i>The next two Community Cafés are on February 20<sup>th</sup> and March 20<sup>th</sup>. Cllr Ruddy will help with the February café.</i></b>
2601/17 <b>Future Agenda Items</b>	To advise of any agenda items for the next full Parish Council Meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Cllr Expenses</i></li> <li>• <i>Handyman</i></li> </ul> <b><i>Cllr T Snell commented that the website is now in really good order and looks good.</i></b>
2601/18 <b>Date of Next Meeting</b>	To confirm the date, time and location of the next meeting. Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm, Parish Rooms, Goxhill. (subject to any change in circumstances) <b><i>Cllr England said that councillors can organise any necessary committee meetings and advertise them on the noticeboards in the interim.</i></b>