

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

HELD IN THE COMMUNITY HALL ON TUESDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2021

Present: Councillors: A Holt, M Humphrey, P Thatcher, G Clifton, Mrs J Hunns, Ms P Reynolds and Mrs L Hodgson

Councillors S King and Mrs S Clark

Apologies: None

94/21 Minutes of meeting held on 2nd November 2021 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

95/21 **Additional Item Gorefield Rights of Way**

Councillor Thatcher has been in touch with the Rights of Way officer for Fenland and East Cambs about the rights of way in the village. From the map he sent there are very few in the village. Councillor Thatcher would like see those which are available better identified by marker post and a map produce. It was decided that it would be better to liaise with Newton Parish Council as one of their paths joins up with the one at the bottom of Gote Lane to make a much longer walk. Councillors Thatcher and Mrs Hunns will walk the paths.

96/21 Councillors Holt, Humphrey and Clifton declared a personal or prejudicial interest in the item concerning the Community Hall as they are all members of the Playing Field Committee.

97/21 **MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA**

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(1) **Highway Matters**

Councillor King has received a response from the Highways officer with reference to an extension to the Cattle Dyke footpath. He suggests that this could be done under a LHI bid. He stated in his response that a streetlight would have to be moved. This is not the case there is only a road sign there which has a light on it but the footpath would only need to go as far as this.

Following the report of dangerous trees along Dowgate – the highways officer has contacted 3 different land owners about these but that is all he is able to do at the moment as the trees are not causing any problems.

No further information has been received about the adoption of Oxfield Drive.

The drains in Wolf Lane and still on the pending list for work to be carried out as is the Gote Lane junction.

Councillor King also reported that a further 5 million has been added for Capital Projects fund and 30 million is being kept for highways, footpaths and drains.

(2) **Play Equipment**

Still nothing has been heard from Play Maintenance. Clerk will try to contact them again.

Purchase of a new bin. It was agreed that a Green frog be purchased and suppliers also to be asked if they could supply a new bin and back panel for the Tidy bear.

(3) **Tree Planting**

Nothing further to report

(4) **Communication with the Public**

Councillor Mrs Hodgson did an article for Village Voices and will do another on in 3 months. She has tried to contact the person who intimated that he would like to help with village projects but has had no response.

99/21 **CORRESPONDENCE**

100/21 **PLANNING MATTERS**

F/YR21/1376/F – erect a single storey rear extension – Four Winds 111 High Road – no objections

F/YR21/1383/F – erect a single side extension to form 1 bed annexe ancillary to main dwelling – Feather Foot View Mill Lane – no objections

F/YR21/1359/F - erect a single storey extension to rear of existing dwelling Fairview 80 High Road – no objections

Planning application approved:

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F/YR21/1056/F – Erect single storey rear and side extensions to existing dwelling including the raising of roof and removal of chimneys and erection of a detached indoor swimming pool with car port including demolition of existing shed and outbuilding – Fairview 60 Cattle Dyke

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Review of final external auditor report and certificate 2020/21

Account to be paid: None

Balance of Accounts

Current account	£26,585.29
Business Premium account	£21,267.60
High Interest account	<u>£15,807.59</u>
	£63,660.48

101/21 **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

Resident has complained about rubbish burning. This needs to be reported to Environment Health by this person so it can then be monitored.

Councillor Mrs Clark reported that a Golden Age Fair is to be held in Gorefield on 1st April 2022. Usually Parish Councils pay for the hire of the hall for these events. It was agreed that this will be done.

Streetpride has received some more equipment.

Date of next meeting – Tuesday January 4th 2022 at 7 pm
(Please note the change of time just for this meeting)

Signed Date