

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

HELD IN THE COMMUNITY HALL ON TUESDAY 3RD JANUARY 2023

Present: Councillors: G Clifton (Chairman), A Holt, M Humphrey,
P Thatcher and Mrs Hodgson

Councillors S King and Mrs Clark

Apologies: Councillor Mrs Hunns

1/23 **Public Participation**

There were no members of the public present at the meeting

2/23 Minutes of meeting held on 6th December 2022 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3/23 Additional item

Councillor Thatcher announced the death of Mrs Margaret Tibbs a parishioner who has been involved with many organisations in the village over many years. A minutes silence was held

4/23 Councillors Clifton, Holt and Humphrey declared a personal or prejudicial interest in the item concerning the Community Hall as they are all members of the Playing Field Committee.

5/23 **MATTERS ARISING ON THE AGENDA**

(1) **Highway Matters**

Councillor King updated the Council with the following information:

Gote Lane and High Road flooding is still on going a virtual meeting is to be held with all concerned.

Oxfield Drive – work on the play area has now been completed. The transfer is still ongoing and Councillor King has assured the Council he will see this matter through to a conclusion. The sewer adoption is still on going and is going to be a laborious process.

High Side will be inspected shortly.

Councillor King has had a request from the residents from Elloe Bank for a 20 mph limit on Elloe Bank to encourage large farm vehicles to moderate their speeds. Councillor King was informed that Elloe Bank is not in Gorefield Parish it is in the Parish Newton in the Isle.

When the application process for 20mph zones is open an application will be made for High Road outside the school.

There are lots of pot holes appearing especially along Wolf Lane. Will be reported.

(2) **Oxfield Drive Plaque**

Councillor Thatcher said that the Woodland Trust will be making suggestions for this. Councillor King has offered to fund one.

6/23 **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

7/23 **PLANNING MATTERS**

None

8/23 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Further information for Barclays Bank required from the Chairman and Councillor Humphrey

Setting of Precept for 2023/2024

Information on previous Precept and spending to date were circulated to Councillors before the meeting. Cost of election if contested will be £2,175.60. £250 has been set aside every year for the last 4 years so no extra will be required. All other spending is in line with what was agreed last year except the repairs to the play equipment which is a one off payment. Councillor Humphrey proposed the Precept stay at £20,000 as last year and Councillor Mrs Hodgson seconded this. Everyone was in agreement.

Accounts to be paid:

None

Balance of Accounts

Current account	£12,416.99
Business Premium account	£21,270.26

High Interest account

£5,808.56
£39,495.81

9/23

REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Clark reported that no soft furnishings can be taken to the local tip or collect by the Council.

The next Coffee Morning in the Community Hall will be held on 11th January at 10.45 pm

Gorefield Street Pride AGM is being held on 21st January at 10 am followed by litter pick.

Pots holes along Wolf Lane to be reported.

Councillor Thatcher would like to find out who cut the grass at Oxfield Drive so they can be informed about the trees that have been planted there.

A driver is needed for the Library van that visits the village.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 7th February 2023 at 8.10 pm

Signed Date