

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

HELD IN THE COMMUNITY HALL ON MONDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2025

Present: Councillors: Mrs L Hodgson, M Humphrey, A Holt, N Turner and Mrs E Bramley

Apologies: Councillors P Thatcher, Mrs S Clark, A Osborn, G Booth and Mrs D Cutler

101/25 Public Participation

No members of the public attended the meeting

102/25 Minutes of meeting held on 13th October 2025 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

103/25 There were no additional items for consideration

104/25 Councillors Humphrey and Turner declared a personal or prejudicial interest in any item concerning the Community Hall as they are members of the Playing Field Committee.

105/25 MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA

It was proposed by Councillor Humphrey and seconded by Councillor Holt that Mrs S Clark be co-opted on to the Parish Council

106/25 MATTERS ARISING ON THE AGENDA

(1) Highway Matters

Councillor Osborn was unable to attend the meeting but he reported that as part of Cambs CC connectivity Gorefield is now getting superfast fibre optics supplied by City Fibre

A public consultation is being carried out to consider the implementation of a 40 mph speed limit across the junction of High Side, Leverington Common, Sanbank and Seadyke commencing 5th November until 26th November.

Parish Council has been successful with the bid under the LHI 2025/26 application for flashing 20 mph signs for outside school total cost is £12,500 Parish Council paying £2,500.

(2) Speed Watch

No report received

(3) **Play Equipment**

Repairs are ongoing

(4) **Reports from Cambridgeshire and Fenland DC Councillors**

There was nothing to report

(5) **Position for Defibrillator**

Permission has been given to put a defibrillator on the front of the Post Office near the Parish Notice Board. The electricity required to power the cabinet would need to come from the electricity pole next to it. An application for this has been made to UK Power and a quotation received. They would require £4,634.00 plus VAT which is not viable.

Other suggestions have been made to use the wall at either the home of the Chairman or Councillor Mrs Bramley. They will consider these proposals and look to see how power can be achieved.

107/25 **CORRESPONDENCE**

Request for information has been received under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for a research project being undertaken on Local Government. Clerk has responded.

108/25 **PLANNING MATTERS**

Planning applications received:

F/YR25/0761/F – Erect a single storey extension to side of existing dwelling involving demolition of existing conservatory – 6 St Marks Road – no objections

F/YR25/0773/F – Erect a single storey rear extension and canopy to existing dwelling involving demolition of existing conservatory – East View Gote Lane – no objections

F/YR25/0802/PIP –Permission in Principle for 9 dwellings at land north west of 176 High Road accessed from Hassockhill Drove – Parish Council does not support this application it is situated in Flood Zone 3 and it always lays very wet after heavy rain, the access is onto Hassockhill Drove which is a very narrow country land which also has very poor visibility at the junction with High Road, it is development in the open country side and appears to be over development. Gorefield PC has always been against development in this area but were over ruled by the Planning Committee when the front part of the site was developed. The applicant has been currying favour of the Parish Councillors to support this application and also contacting local residents who have complained about this to the Parish Council.

F/YR25/0831/VOC – Removal of Condition 2 (external lighting and CCTV) and variation of Condition 3 (list of approved drawings) of planning permission F/YR24/0730/F to enable changes to layout, and amend wording of Condition 2 – no objections

Planning applications approved:

None

109/25 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Account to be paid:

		Nett	VAT	Gross
Scribe (Accounts package)	d/d	£12.00	2.40	£14.40
RBL Poppy Wreaths		£33.33	6.67	£40.00

Balance of Accounts

Current account	£18,912.01
Business Premium account	£32,214.00
High Interest account	<u>£6,019.92</u>
	£57,145.93

110/25 **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

Nothing further to be reported

Date of next meeting: **Monday 8th December 2025**

Signed Date