

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

HELD IN THE COMMUNITY HALL ON MONDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2025

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

Councillor A Osborn

Apologies: Councillors G Booth and Mrs D Cutler

111/25 Public Participation

No members of the public attended the meeting

112/25 Minutes of meeting held on 10th November 2025 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

113/25 There were no additional items for consideration

114/25 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. Councillor Mrs Clark declared a personal or prejudicial interest in any item concerning Fenland Planning Committee as se is a substitute member of the Planning committee

115/25 MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

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(1) Highway Matters

Flooding outside The Woodmans was reported to Cambs Highways by Councillor Mrs Clark and this has now been dealt with. Allens Drove bridge has been damaged and barriers have now been put up. A new Cambs Highways officer has been appointed for our area. Councillor Clark has her contact details which she will pass on to the clerk.

Councillor Osborn was unable to give any update on highway matters still outstanding in the village but will try to do so for the next meeting.

(2) Speed Watch

Report received from Councillor Mrs Cutler:

The situation previously reported to the Parish Council regarding the lack of volunteers of Gorefield residents has not improved.

However, we have recently managed a few sessions in Gorefield due to Murrow volunteers who have been willing to cover sessions in Gorefield in addition to Murrow. If the volunteer situation improves, we will be able to hold more sessions in your village. We take every opportunity to advertise.

The recent speeding data has been strong enough for me to call for Police enforcement, which I hope comes to fruition. As a comparison, numerous police enforcement sessions, both during CSW sessions and without us, have taken place in Parson Drove over the last few months. Enforcement is having a positive effect because at the last 3 sessions we abandoned Parson Drove part way through, due to nothing speeding, and went and set up in Murrow instead. (Where there is still a huge speeding problem).

It's almost that time of year again so please convey my best wishes to you all for a merry Christmas and a happy and healthy new year.

(3) Play Equipment

Repairs are ongoing

(4) Reports from Cambridgeshire and Fenland DC Councillors

Barton Road highway works are ongoing but are on course to be finished by March. Repairs to Parson Drove bridge have been postponed until July/August.

Golden Age Fair to be held at GER March on 12th December.

(5) Position for Defibrillator

Councillor Mrs Bramley has offered the use of her brick pillar in front of her home for the positioning of a defibrillator

117/25 CORRESPONDENCE

None

Planning application received:

F/YR25/0906/F – Erect 1 self build/custom dwelling including the siting of 3 containers and the temporary siting of a caravan during construction, involving the demolition of existing barn (part retrospective) – Barn south of Willow House Fendyke Lane – no objections

119/25 **Account to be paid:**

	Nett	VAT	Gross
Scribe (Accounts package)	d/d	£12.00	2.40

Balance of Accounts

Current account	£18,921.61
Business Premium account	£32,307.99
High Interest account	<u>£6,037.49</u>
	£57,267.09

120/25 **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

Property on Fendyke Lane has large stone on highway verge which could cause a hazard to vehicles. Clerk to write to occupiers

A member of the Police are now available to attend meetings if required.

Date of next meeting: **Monday 12th January 2026**

Signed Date