

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

HELD AT THE COMMUNITY HALL ON TUESDAY 6TH AUGUST 2019

Present: Councillors: A Holt, M Humphrey, Mrs K Hall and Ms P Reynolds

Councillor S King

One member of the public

Apologies: Councillors Mrs J Hunns, G Clifton and Mrs S Clark

197/19 **Public Participation**

A member of the public attended the meeting to ask if the key stone that used to form part of the old Gote Bridge which is now in a corner of the church yard be situated in a more prominent position in the village. It was suggested that the base of the village sign could be suitable. The Chairman will approach a local builder to ask if this would be possible and what costs would be involved. There is also a key stone in the old bridge at Fendyke Lane but this is all covered over with Ivy. Internal Drainage Board to be asked if this can be cleared.

198/19 Minutes of previous meeting held on 2nd July 2019 were confirmed and signed

199/19 There were no additional items for consideration

200/19 Councillors Holt and Humphrey declared a personal or prejudicial interest in the item concerning the extension to the Community Hall as they are all members of the Playing Field Committee

201/19 **POLICE MONTHLY UPDATE**

To be forwarded on to Councillors on receipt

Information has been received back about the data recorder which was situated at the top of Oxfield Drive. It was not thought that the majority of the 25,400 vehicles recorded would be stopping at the school. They will try to re-visit the village again

202/19 **MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Grass Cutting

The service provided by T A Blackamore has improved recently.

(1) **Highway Matters**

Local Highway Improvement Initiative 2020/21 – A scheme has been put in to get the footway resurface between Wolf Lane and Fendyke Lane. Some intervention work will be carried out in the meantime. Work to alleviate the problem of flooding near No 118 High Road cannot be applied for due to the levels of the existing gullies. The resident has been spoken to and advised on option that can be done on their own property.

Resurfacing work is to be carried out on High Side and Leverington Common and it is hoped to carry out lining amendments, bridge repair and resurfacing at Bellamy Bridge so any further work will be held back until September/October.

Road closures are causing problems in the area. The closure signs are put a very long way away from where the road is to be closed therefore causing confusion to road users. The sign was put up in Leverington when Marshall's Bank was closed. Signs are put in dangerous positions and not cleared away once work is completed. Councillor King will bring this to the attention of Cambs Highways.

(2) **Streetlights**

A quote of £412.39 was received for the removal of the old streetlight column at High Road/ Cattle Dyke junction. This has been accepted as it was agreed at the last meeting that this should be removed.

A quote of £257.63 has been received for the replacement of an old lantern with a new LED luminaire for streetlight PC2 at The Barracks. It was agreed that is acceptable and the light should be replaced.

Who should pay for the connection of power to streetlight FPC4 Cattle Dyke is still under dispute. The pole bracket was replaced with a column in 2009 by Cambs CC. Councillor King will make further enquiries about this.

(3) **Play Equipment**

The latest report received points out several minor defects which the Tivoli Group are going to quote for to carry out the repairs.

(4) **Extension to Community Hall**

The Hudson Trust have offered some funds subject to the project going ahead. One suggestion is that the Parish Council could take out a loan from the Public Works Loan Board which the Playing Field Association would service. Clerk to research the possibility.

(5) **Web Site**

Tin Fish have been contacted and asked to get on with getting the web site live but no response received yet.

(6) **Co-Option of Councillor**

Still no interest shown in the vacancy

204/19 **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

205/19 **PLANNING MATTERS**

Planning application:

F/YR19/0577/F - Erection of a single-storey extension to rear of existing dwelling including removal of existing conservatory at Homelea 42 High Road – no objections

206/19 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Accounts to be paid:

	Cheq No	Nett	VAT	Gross
Community Heartbeat (Battery)	100979	£235.00	47.00	£282.00
GGs (Spraying allotment)	100980	£20.00	0.00	£20.00

Balance of Accounts

Current account	£36,746.19
Business Premium account	£21,228.21
High Interest account	<u>£805.02</u>
	£58,779.42

207/19 **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

Chapel Lane well overgrown should be done in the next village cut.

Opposite church in grass verge between the hedge and the footway is a hole which has a concrete slab in the bottom which is cracked and appears to have a void under it. Photograph to be taken and sent to Steve Nicholson at Cambs Highways.

Date of next meeting – Tuesday 3rd September 2019

Signed Date