

GOODMANHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th March 2024 at The Fiddle Drill, Manor Farm, Goodmanham

Attendance: Cllrs Liz Stephenson, Mary Rook, Chris Buswell, Christine Sawyer, Fran Preston, Tony Warnock-Smith

Parish Clerk Jeremy Sherlock; ERYC Cllrs Cary and West

107. Apologies, Dispensations and Declarations

Apologies – Cllr Anita Greener

108. Public Session

Cllr West advised

1. He has raised the issue of yellow lines, and the issues with the spring towards the lower part of the village with ERYC and was awaiting a response.
2. Consideration is being given to the creation of attenuation ponds to reduce the likelihood of flooding on Goodmanham Road
3. ERYC have set a balanced budget withy some money taken from reserves
4. The devolution consultation is complete. There were about 7K responses with c 2/3 in favour. In the light of this mayoral elections could be held in May 2025.
5. ERYC have been allocation funds from the abandoned HS2 project. This will initially be for project development.

Cllr Carey advised that the Windfarm Fund does not normally fund Council laptops, but reconfirmed that Goodmanham was eligible for the fund.

109. Minutes of the Last Meeting held on 8th January 2024

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of 8th January 2024 be approved

110. Matters Arising - None

111. Highways – a number of Councillors had met with the Ward Councillors to discuss highway measures implemented by ERYC to help manage parking and traffic movement in Goodmanham, and whether any further measures were needed. It was felt that the bollards and hatchings have had an impact even if they are not 100% respected, for example the road has not been blocked since the hatchings were installed.

The main outstanding issue was people parking on the inside of the pub corner which results in people going round a blind bend on the wrong side of the road. The ERYC Councillors felt that yellow lines would be the only way to properly control this, and agreed to discuss with ERYC Highways (see above). Any scheme for yellow lines would need to be subject to formal consultation, and would be likely to take some time. It would also impact on the Conservation Area, though was noted that less prominent yellow lines can be used in these areas.

A number of other issues were raised which the ERYC agreed to raise with Highways:

1. The pavement south of Edwin's Garth is very narrow, and people have to walk on the grass verge. This is not helped by the adjacent hedges which would benefit from being curt back
2. There is a spring at B which is damaging the pavement, and creates sheet ice. The pavement at the bottom end of the village is in poor condition.
3. Red Lane verges – the planings fill has been washed away, making passing difficult.

£100K has been allocated by ERYC in 2024-5 to repair highway verges. Works would be developed and carried out later on this year.

112. Car Park – the Clerk advised that ERYC had given agreement in principle to the space markings,

but had consulted the adjacent residents and were awaiting a response from one of them.

There are some potholes in the car park which need attention. It was agreed that the Clerk would speak to a contractor with a view to getting a price to repair the surfacing with a view to exploring grant funding through the Windfarm Fund.

It was agreed that future residents passes would include addresses.

113. Events Grant application – following the decision on 6th November 2023 (minute 79) the Clerk has submitted an Awards for All grant application for £4,875 for 2 Gazebos to provide all weather accommodation for village events. Applications take up to 12 weeks to be determined. The Council would be able to recover VAT on the purchase.

Resolved that, subject to the approval of the Awards for All grant, 2 Gazebos be acquired for village events at a cost of £4,875+VAT

114. Village Maps – the Clerk had prepared some house identification maps for the village. It was noted that some of the property names on the map were either inaccurate or missing. The Clerk explained that these were on the OS base which only the OS could amend. The Clerk agreed to write to the OS regarding this. The numbered lists had been taken from the Post Office address database and were believed to be accurate. It was agreed that the maps would be made available on the Council website as printing would be expensive. It was noted that the maps should only be used for property identification to meet the terms on the Council's OS licence.

115. Defibrillator Battery – the battery had required replacing slightly earlier than anticipated (it had been budgeted for next year. In view of its importance the Clerk a replacement defibrillator battery has been purchased at a cost of £285 + £12.50 delivery + VAT. This can be funded through the Project Reserve budget.

Resolved that the action of the Clerk to purchase a defibrillator battery at a cost of £285 + £12.50 delivery + VAT be endorsed using funds from the Project Reserve budget

116. Grant Application Form for Laptop – ERYC have confirmed that Goodmanham is an eligible area for the fund, but that the application may not be successful. If the latter is the case it was agreed to explore a Do it all for East Yorkshire grant.

117. Council Meetings 2024-25 – it was agreed to hold the meetings bi-monthly on the second Monday of each relevant month.

Resolved that the following meeting dates be agreed: 2024 - 13th May; 8th July; 9th September; 11th November; 2025 - 13th January; 10th March; 12th May

118. Planning

a. Applications for **Consultation**

23/03316/PLF - Erection of single storey extension to side following demolition of garage and side porch; erection of dormers to front and rear to incorporate loft conversion; erection of porch to front at Taxus Cottage Goodmanham Road – REVISED SCHEME

b. Application **Approved** by ERYC

23/02853/PLF - Change of use of out building to provide additional living accommodation, convenience store and creation of three dormer windows to front at Goodmanham Arms Goodmanham Road

c. Application **Refused** by ERYC

23/03832/TPO - TPO - GOODMANHAM - 2000 - (REF 562) G1 - Fell 2 no. Sycamore tree (T1 and T2) due to falling branches, significant shading, ivy, proximity to the phone lines and adjacent busy corner, and debris in the gutters and roof throughout the year at Blacksmiths Cottage Church Side Goodmanham

119. Finance

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Chair's initials

a. Financial Situation - The current balance is £4,641.10. A copy of the accounts and reconciliation has been circulated. The current Events balance is £1,264.69, leaving a general balance of £3,376.41. A VAT claim of £447.48 has been submitted.

b. Payments

S P Stephenson	Room Hire	£180.00
Information Commissioner	Data Protection fee	£35.00
J Sherlock	Salary	£264.88
HMRC	PAYE	£66.00
J Sherlock	Home working expenses	£26.00
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HMRC	PAYE	£42.00
J Sherlock	Home working expenses	£26.00

c. Income

TSB	Interest	£6.90
Quiz Night	Events	£95.00

120. Councillors Reports – Cllr Sawyer had been advised that some children had been throwing things off the railway bridge. Residents should phone 101 when these incidents are occurring to allow the police to investigate.

Cllr Preston commented that a lot of material had been washed onto Goodmanham Road after the recent heavy rain. The Clerk will contact ERYC to ask for the road to be swept.

The football pavilion off Goodmanham Road is due to be demolished in the near future.

Cllr Stephenson suggested a “no parking sign” for the passing point on Red Lane. The Clerk will raise this with ERYC. It is believed that the brine treatment on Red Lane will continue even when Goodmanham Road is not flooded. The Clerk will check this.

121. Clerks Report (for information) – ERYC have set up “Parish Open Door” with a dedicated Officer available to liaise with Parish Councils. This is aimed at cases where there are problems in getting a response.

Following the discussions at the Training Session the Clerk will put information regarding the Parish Meeting on Facebook.

122. Agenda Items for Next Meeting – Annual Meeting issues; Annual Return; Car Park

123. Date and time of next meeting – Monday 13th May 2024 at 7:00pm at the Fiddle Drill, Main Street, Goodmanham (Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting)

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