

GOODMANHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 1st September 2021 at The Meeting Room, Manor Farm, Goodmanham

Attendance: Cllrs Chris Buswell, Sarah Gillard, Anita Greener, Fran Preston, Christine Sawyer, Liz Stephenson, Mary Rook
 ERYC Cllr Rudd; Parish Clerk Jeremy Sherlock
 1 members of the public

53. Apologies, Dispensations and Declarations

Apology – Richard Cooper - work

54. New Councillor – the Chair welcomed Cllr Mary Rook to her first meeting. Cllr Rook had signed the declaration prior to the meeting.

55. Public Session

Cllr Rudd reported that:

- Some staff are returning to County Hall
- 99% of care works and 97% of Health and Social Care staff have been vaccinated against COVID
- Hospitals remain under pressure – people should use 111 wherever possible.
- East Riding will take some Afghan refugees
- From 6.9.21 the Community Hall in Market Weighton will be available for COVID vaccination appointments and drop in
- The proposal for an elected Mayor for Hull and East Riding is ongoing. This is not a merger – the existing Councils will remain.

Attendance by the public was raised. It was agreed to put information online and in the Newsletter encouraging attendance by parishioners

56. Minutes of the Meetings held on 21st July 2021

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of 21st July 2021 be approved

57. Matters Arising - none

58. Car Park – the Clerk reported that a draft lease document had been issued by ERYC. A number of amendments were suggested which were initially rejected by the ERYC Solicitor. Following further correspondence and discussion the majority have been accepted in principle, and a revised draft issued. During this period I have “stood down” the Parish Council Solicitor to avoid generating additional fees.

Many of the amendments were proposed were minor or points of clarification. However, there are a small number of more significant issues:

- The lease appeared to include a clause which could have resulted in a claim for shared costs for the fencing next to the houses in Edwin’s Garth. ERYC have confirmed that they have responsibility for these fences.
- The PC Solicitor had suggested including a clause which would allow charging for parking at some time in the future subject to Landlord’s consent. ERYC are not prepared to accept this as it would affect the “peppercorn” rent. Charging would also trigger Business Rates which the PC does not pay at the moment.
- The Lease included a clause which prohibits long-term and overnight parking. This would prevent residents parking which is a major reason for the Council to lease this site. ERYC are concerned that long term use may allow individuals to claim rights over the site. Their

proposal is for the PC to issue resident passes for long term users which the residents need to sign for to confirm that they have no rights over the land. I am now hopeful that the revised version will be satisfactory.

It was agreed that the final draft of the lease and the resident pass agreement would be circulated to Councillors for comment before the lease is signed. It was suggested that Electric Vehicle Charging Points should be considered, and a check made whether the lease would allow these.

The Clerk reported on progress on the car park spaces, signage and management.

59. Queen's Jubilee Event – it was agreed to progress on the basis of an event on Saturday 4th June 2022 with a planning estimate of attendance as 250 residents and guests. Cllr Stephenson had explored marquees and location and advised that she felt that Manor Farm Field was the most suitable. There was a discussion about the size of marquees – one suggestion would be to have more than one as it was believed that a number of residents have sizeable tents. It was suggested that it may be more cost effective in the long term for the PC to acquire a marquee. To make the size more manageable it was agreed that the event should be informal with limited seating.

It was agreed to hold a separate event meeting with all Councillors invited, to be arranged by the Chair.

60. Parish Pit - Greener Pocklington have expressed an interest in working with the Parish Council to use the Parish Pit site as a Nature Reserve and have undertaken a detailed survey of the site. This would create an amenity for the village with a positive use. There are a number of issues that need to be considered by the Council if there is a desire to take this forward.

- Ownership - the site is not currently registered, though there are references in previous documents of the site being owned by the Parish Council, and the Council has fenced the site. It seems likely that a claim for title or possessory title could be made.
- Liability – its previous use as an unregulated tip may mean that there are some contamination issues. A quote of £2,455 + VAT to carry out some borehole tests has been received. Generally, risk is diminished if the ground is left largely undisturbed. It was also used as a smallholding apparently without problems.
- There is some broken glass and rubble on the site. Material of this nature would need to be removed if public access is permitted.
- There are a number of trees on site which would need to be inspected and risk assessed on a regular basis.
- Proposal – there would be a need to agree how the site will be used. If primarily as a nature reserve it does not need to be generally accessible – however it may be felt that if it is being developed as a Parish asset that some formal access is necessary. It is unclear if it is being used informally at the moment.
- Consultation – the Council may wish to seek the views of the village if resources are to be invested in this site.
- Funding – the Council/ Greener Pocklington would need to access external funding to progress a proposal on this site. The Windfarm Fund, and Lottery funding may be options but a community supported proposal would be needed.

It was agreed that the idea is beneficial and worthy of further exploration with Greener Pocklington, but the issue of land ownership should be pursued as a first step. The Clerk will produce a plan of how to progress this project for consideration at a future meeting.

The Council were impressed with the interest and work undertaken by Greener Pocklington and asked the Clerk formally thank them.

61. Planting boxes – the Clerk had identified a number of options on the basis of use of wood effect plastic planters. It was asked that the option of stone be also considered. It was agreed that the Clerk would meet with Cllrs Rook and Greener on site to discuss locations and sizes and report back to the next meeting.

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62. Footpaths noticeboard – the Clerk advised that an A1 1:25000 map centred on Goodmanham can be acquired for £25, and provided options for a noticeboard. It was agreed that the most suitable location would be at the rear of the car park. There was discussion about whether an A2 map would be adequate. The Clerk will compare sizes with the existing Information Board and submit a proposal to the next meeting.
63. Relocation of Litter Bin – the Clerk reported that he had met a representative of ERYC to discuss relocation and the status of the land. A response is awaited.
64. Parish Noticeboard – a parishioner had raised concerns about the location of the Parish Noticeboard. Councillors commented that the noticeboard was centrally located, and had been in this location for c 50 years. On that basis it was felt that the existing location was satisfactory.

65. Planning

Applications for consideration

21/02690/PLF – Alterations to existing conservatory including partial demolition, existing structural blockwork retained, new brickwork and oak frame to be installed with new roof over at West View, Wateringdike Lane

Resolved that no objections be raised

Applications approved by East Riding of Yorkshire Council

21/01759/PLF – Conversion and extension of existing barn to dwelling and associated works at Grove Farm, Goodmanham Road

66. Finance

a. Financial Situation

The current balance is £11,617.67. A copy of the accounts and reconciliation has been circulated.

The Clerk has prepared a revised budget to allow for the staffing, insurance fees and bin relocation agreed at the last meeting.

BUDGET 2021-22	Approved Budget 2021-22	Revised Budget May	Revised Budget Proposed		Approved Budget 2021-22	Revised Budget May	Revised Budget Proposed
Income				Expenditure			
Carry forward	£11,000	£10,247	£10,247	Revenue Reserve	£1,000	£1,000	£1,000
Precept	£3,750	£3,750	£3,750	Staffing	£2,500	£2,500	£2,600
VAT Recovery	£300	£300	£300	Maintenance	£500	£500	£500
Interest	£75	£75	£40	Administration	£795	£795	£700
Grant				Insurance	£342	£342	£334
Newsletter refund				Projects			£1,390
				Project Reserve	£9,988	£9,235	£7,813
General Funds Total	£15,125	£14,372	£14,337				
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Resolved that

1. The Financial Situation be noted

2. The revised Budget be approved

b. Payments

J Sherlock	Salary	£215.44
HMRC	Tax	£47.20
Zurich Municipal	Insurance	£334.11
Bullguard (JS refund)	Internet Security	£39.99

Easily (JS refund)	Domain name	£11.00
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c. Income

10.7.21	TSB	Interest	£3.15
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67. Councillors Reports – Cllr Stephenson asked about the seat on Goodmanham Road owned by Market Weighton TC. The Clerk will request a progress update.

Cllr Greener asked about the verges along Red Lane. The Clerk will check timescales.

68. Clerks Report (for information) – none

69. Agenda Items for Next Meeting – jubilee event, car park, planting boxes, footpaths noticeboard, Parish Pit

70. Date and time of next meeting – Wednesday 3rd November 2021 at 7:00pm at the Fiddle Drill, Main Street, Goodmanham

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