

# GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

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**A MEETING OF GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD IN GODSHILL METHODIST HALL AT 7.30PM ON MONDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 2023.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillors, Button, Child, Crane and Jackman.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** G Hughes (Clerk), and five members of the public.

## **7.30pm to 7.45pm time allocated for residents of Godshill Parish to speak to the Council on Parish Council matters.**

An update on Speedwatch was presented and it was confirmed that Godshill was on the list for use of the Speed Gun. The Group Coordinator asked whether the Council would purchase some High Visibility attire and it was agreed that this would form an agenda item for the December meeting.

A member of the public enquired about future funding of the Post Office and it was advised that this would be the subject of a public consultation exercise prior to the budget setting process for the 2024-25 financial year.

## **MINUTES**

### **135/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillor Bysouth and IW Councillor Suzie Ellis.

### **136/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

### **137/23 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 2ND OCTOBER 2023.**

On the proposition of Councillor Button, seconded by Councillor Jackman it was -

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting be approved.

### **138/23 IW COUNCILLORS REPORT**

No report had been received.

### **139/23 CHAIRMANS REPORT**

Councillor Child reported that IW Councillor Paul Brading was assisting with the tenancy situation of residents at Applegate Farm. She had held discussion with Mike Bulpitt of Community Action who was to provide information on usage of the Post Office and Shop to be used in the Public Consultation regarding its future funding.

### **140/23 PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Councillor Button reported on the works at Munsley Bog, the situation with the bus shelters and the need for hedgetrimming at the cemetery. She asked about the replacement part for the play equipment at May Close and as to what arrangements were to be made regarding the provision of a Christmas Tree. The Clerk advised that the replacement part had now been delivered and he would contact the donor of the Christmas Tree regarding its delivery. It was agreed to ask the owners of the Journey Restaurant if they would provide the site for the Christmas Tree.

Councillor Crane reported that the rotted post at Central Mead had not yet been replaced and he had requested two quotes for such. Attention was needed to rabbit holes and although he had retrieved the sign from the fallen tree, a new sign was needed. Councillor Crane also reported that the October minutes were not viewable on the website, the Clerk would investigate.

### 141/23 CLERKS REPORT

An E Mail had been received from Natural Enterprise detailing works that had recently been undertaken at Munsley Bog including a new boardwalk. He had taken delivery of a new see – saw top piece, Councillor Crane offered his assistance in fitting it.

### 142/23 FINANCE – PAYMENTS FOR APPROVAL

The following payments were approved –

| TYPE | PAYEE                          | AMOUNT   |
|------|--------------------------------|----------|
|      |                                | £        |
| STO  | G HUGHES OCTOBER SALARY        | 524.00   |
| STO  | ISLAND CLEANING SERVICES – OCT | 464.92   |
| DD   | CPRE – SUBSCRIPTION – OCT      | 3.00     |
| FPO  | TEEC – WEBSITE                 | 151.19   |
| FPO  | HMRC – TAX                     | 786.00   |
| DD   | PWLB – LOAN REPAYMENT          | 1,941.65 |

### 143/23 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following applications were considered –

- 1.23/01888/3QPA | Prior approval for alterations and conversion of agricultural building to form one residential dwelling | Cuddles Corner Roud Lane Godshill
2. 23/01713/FUL | Formation of new vehicular access; closure of existing vehicular access. | Knightsbridge Farm Whitwell Road Godshill.

**RESOLVED:** To make no objection to the applications.

### 144/23 PLANNING DECISIONS

No further decisions had been reported since the October meeting.

### 145/23 CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence is contained elsewhere in the minutes.

### 146/23 CENTRAL MEAD

Councillor Child and the Clerk had met on site with the family who had donated a Memorial Bench for a family member who had been a regular visitor to Godshill. The bench had been stored in the Pavillion until weather conditions permitted its secure installation in a position agreed with the family.

### 147/23 MUNSLEY BOG

Works on the boardwalk had been undertaken by Natural Enterprise with the assistance of local volunteers including children. It was anticipated that works would be completed and in November.it was agreed that an event would be held to publicise the opening of the upgraded site.

### 148/23 NET ZERO

Councillor Jackman had produced a detailed report on many aspects of Net Zero which were applicable to the work and services involving or potentially involving the Parish Council. This included flood prevention, reduced carbon energy, community shops, green spaces, transport, foodbanks, all being brought together with the aim of a thriving community. The full report would be placed on the website for public information.

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor Jackman be the project lead regarding the coordination

of Net Zero projects.

**149/23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting would take place in the Methodist Hall on Monday 4th December 2023 at 7.30pm.

**The meeting closed at 8.17pm**

**CHAIRMAN 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2023**