GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

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THE ANNUAL MEETING OF GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD IN GODSHILL SCHOOL HALL AT 7.30PM ON THURSDAY 8TH MAY 2025.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Child, Crane, Donoclift, Dyke, Jackman and Mansell.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: G Hughes (Clerk) and eleven 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.

MINUTES

68/25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

69/25 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

On the proposition of Councillor Donoclift, seconded by Councillor Dyke, it was –

RESOLVED: That Councillor Mansell be appointed Chairman for the ensuing year.

70/25 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

On the proposition of Councillor Jackman, seconded by Councillor Dyke, it was –

RESOLVED: That Councillor Donoclift be appointed Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

71/25 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES

Councillor Jackman was appointed as representative for IWALC (Deputy to be Councillor Crane).

72/25 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None.

73/25 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 7TH APRIL 2025.

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

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 7th April 2025.

74/25 ELECTION OF IW COUNCILLOR

It was noted that Caroline Gladwin had been elected as an IW Councillor and she would be invited to the next meeting of the parish council.

75/25 CHAIRMANS REPORT

Councillor Mansell wished the Parish Council to concentrate on improving communication in order to bring all residents and parish organisations together. Other items to address were a new web site, corporate e mail identity and a gov. website domain.

Councillor Mansell wished to secure more involvement with the local community which could be assisted by a Newsletter, improved noticeboards and the use of social media to advise on parish council activity.

The formation of Working Groups involving parish councillors and members of the community was also seen as important to the future activity of the parish council.

Councillor Mansell congratulated Councillor's Child and Jackman for topping the recent poll and he thanked Godshill Matters for the recent bank holiday event and the Women's Institute on their successful reformation.

76/25 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Councillor Jackman reported on the release of two funding sources, one for the introduction of solar panels and the second for resilience planning.

She envisaged that solar panel installations could be sought for the public conveniences, the school and the scout hall and it was agreed that Councillor Jackman pursue this matter.

She had produced a report on resilience funding and associated activity. These would be circulated by e mail.

She had received communications regarding the safety of goal post netting in respect of wildlife. This would be an agenda item for the June meeting.

Councillor Jackman also provided information on the following topics

Training for Charity Trustee's – available from Community Action.

Wildlife Concern.

Provision of a new website

May Day celebrations.

Greening Project.

Mental Health Services.

Councillor Crane reported on overflowing waste bins at Central Mead and that contractor materials remained on the site months after the completion of the playground.

The Clerk had requested additional bin emptying from Island Roads but a new schedule needed to be agreed as a matter of urgency, the provision of additional bins would also be a consideration.

Councillor Child advised that SSE would be undertaking project works on the pylons in May Close playground, the possibility of a wayleave would be explored regarding future such works.

77/25 CLERKS REPORT & ACTION LIST

The Clerk reported on the need for a schedule of inspections to be kept in respect of both May Close and Central Mead play areas. This was necessary for the maintenance of the warranty with Sovereign Playgrounds and with insurance policy requirements.

Maintenance of the new playground was the subject of an agreement with Sovereign, but the parish council needed to undertake certain maintenance activity.

A ROSPA inspection of both sites had been arranged for later in the month. Management and Maintenance of the sites would form an agenda item for the June meeting. Councillors Crane and Dyke would undertake site visits and Councillor Child will produce weekly inspection reports.

76/25 FINANCE - PAYMENTS FOR APPROVAL

On the proposition of Councillor Child, seconded by Councillor Jackman, the following payments were approved –

TYPE	PAYEE	AMOUNT £
STO	G HUGHES - APRIL SALARY	585.75
STO	ISLAND CLEANING SERVICES - APR	464.92
DD	CPRE - SUBSCRIPTION - APR	3.00
STO	GODSHILL SCHOOL - HALL HIRE	20.00
FPO	D MCGEOCH - GRASSCUTTING	264.00
FPO	PUBLIC WORKS LOAN BOARD	1,941.65
FPO	R & R CONTAINERS - PORTALOOS	304.80
FPO	BANK CHARGES	6.26
FPO	NALC - TRAINING RE INCOME SOURCES	42.00
FPO	NALC - TRAINING RE RE GREEN GROWTH	42.00
FPO	S MILFORD - INTERNAL AUDIT	130.00
FPO	G HUGHES - INK CARTIDGES	32.99
FPO	COMMUNITY ACTION - GRANT	7,000.00
FPO	CLEAR INSURANCE - PREMIUM	938.85
FPO	IW COUNCIL - CEMETERY BUSINESS RATE	773.45

77/25 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following applications were considered –

- 1.25/00516/RVC.Variation of conditions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 on 23/01104/FUL to allow retention of existing building for use as ancillary storage for dwellinghouses and alterations to layout Millers Farm Whitwell Road Godshill
- 2.25/00613/4BCPA. Prior notification for Schedule 2, Part 4, Class BC permitted development under The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order Rusty Rails Sheepwash Lane Godshill

RESOLVED: To make no objection to the applications.

78/25 PLANNING DECISIONS

No decisions had been received since the April meeting.

79/25 CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

The Parish Council confirmed that it had no conflict of interest with its ExternalAuditor BDO Stoy Haward.

80/25 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place in Godshill Primary School Hall at 7.30pm on Monday 2nd June 2025.

The meeting closed at 8.39pm

CHAIRMAN 2ND JUNE 2025

