



# Goostrey Parish Council

## AMENITIES COMMITTEE

AGENDA for the MEETING on WEDNESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY 2021

at 7.00 PM Via VIDEO CONFERENCE

1. **Declarations of Interest**
2. **Apologies for Absence**
3. **Minutes of the meeting of 10<sup>th</sup> November 2020**
4. **Annual Plan**
  - i. **To review progress on the items in the Annual Plan** – copy attached
  - ii. **Village Environmental Improvements Draft Survey** - TR & NB – included in pack.
    - a. Any locations to be added?
    - b. Any locations to be amended or removed?
    - c. Any changes to questionnaire document suggested by Members or Clerk?
  - iii. **CEC Transfer of Assets to Town/Parish Councils** - To decide which of the CEC owned areas identified for inclusion in the Environmental Improvement Questionnaire, are good candidates to further investigate possible transfer to the Parish Council.
5. **Village Assets** - To receive an update on the audit of assets – PM – included in pack.
  - i. Agree the list of assets requiring refurbishment and/or cleaning
  - ii. Agree a timescale for the works to take place
6. **Budget Review** - To review the position of the budget vs actuals for Amenities for the current financial year. Reports for this year and the budget for the next financial year will be provided in the pack.
7. **Christmas Lights on the Bog Bean** – To consider if any work is required to reposition the lights before they are turned on in December 2021 – TR.

The lights were fixed some years ago and growth of the tree means that the lights are no longer on the outer tips of the branches and are shielded from view by greenery.
8. **Correspondence**
9. **Minor items and matters for the next agenda**
10. **Date of next meeting** – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021

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## Goostrey Parish Council Plan for 2020-21

### Presented by Responsibility

#### Amenities Committee

- A) Revise the Resilience Plan to take account of learnings from the Covid-19 situation Including an emergency network of support for any purpose** (e.g. extreme weather event recovery), with appropriate training (eg on PPE, CPR) with a mechanism to keep lists up-to-date. To include any learnings from Holmes Chapel and surrounding villages resilience plans.

SL and PM volunteered to undertake the review/update with support from the Clerk with a view to them producing a first revised draft by end of December 2020.

- B) Get feedback from villagers on their views on what they want to see in the village for the future.**

Publish a plan to improve every area of the village. To include: Church Bank/Main Road, Main Road/Booth Bed Lane, Booth Bed Lane Green, Primrose Chase, outside Main Road Newsagent and Station area.

A questionnaire will be produced by NB & TR by end February 2021.

Distribution of the Questionnaire both physically and via Survey Monkey and analyse results to take place in 21/22.

- C) Create a Plan to implement the Environmental Policy utilising the Environmental group as well as deciding what a longer-term strategy would look like.**

PM to liaise with the Environmental Group to confirm membership and to arrange joint meeting of Amenities Committee and Environmental Group in January 2021 to consider development of plan.

- D) Implement the plans outlined in A, B & C (above) and make a positive difference to the village commencing 2021-22**, potentially using a village volunteer network and the owners of commercial premises for feedback and implementation.

- E) Define and implement visual speeding deterrents, including resolution on the proposal to install village 'gates'.**

Progressing following decision by PC at meeting on 22/09/20 to accept recommendations of report to that meeting. KM has written to CEC asking them to consider funding and implementing works.

- F) Consider the potential to provide electric car/van charging points (environmental improvement) at the village hall?**

After some initial investigation there appears to be no appetite for this at the present time. Revisit in 2021/22.

- G) Investigate and implement improvements to the Booth bed Lane play area.**

- a. S106 Monies for the Booth Bed Lane Play Area** – The amount of funding has been confirmed by ANSA and is now available to be spent. The Council has agreed that the Amenities Committee will lead this project and that any contact or correspondence from ANSA and other stakeholders, should be directed to the Clerk.

#### Village Hall Management Committee

- A) Create a recovery plan for letting the village hall including managing Covid-19 situation and recruitment of new VH Supervisor.**

- a. A plan to re-open the Village Hall has already been completed. We are currently aiming at re-opening at the beginning of April 2021.

- B) Create a Process to Liaise with other village letting facilities to manage over/under capacity across the village.** Clerk and VH Supervisor once VH has re-opened.
- C) Actively promote availability of the village hall to increase revenue and maximise local social benefits.** This activity is to be undertaken by the Village Hall Supervisor in consultation with the Clerk and will begin when the Village Hall Supervisor has been employed.
- D) Village Hall fully operating with improved methods and processes for maximising use for income and social benefit.** This activity is to be undertaken by the Village Hall Supervisor in consultation with the Clerk and will begin when the Village Hall Supervisor has been employed.
- E) Roll out the on-line booking system.** This activity is to be undertaken by the Village Hall Supervisor in consultation with the Clerk and will be carried out within 6 months of the starting date of the new Village Hall Supervisor.

### Finance Committee

- Review the process for obtaining quotes (eg time limit for suppliers on responses)

### Planning Committee

- Review updating the Neighbourhood Plan after CEC publish the SADPD (in 2021)
- Re-Investigate grants/funding for driveways for bungalows on Main Road (in 2021)

### Clerk (supported by the PC where required)

- Achieve The 'Quality Standard' (Local Council Award Scheme)
- Encourage residents to report potholes/blocked drains/defective street lighting etc to CEC using the 'Report It' website.
- Clerk to pass to CEC any complaints about hedges impinging on Footways/Highways and request that the CEC Ward Councillor and Highways Contact carry out a walk round the village once a year.
- Ensure maintenance of road signs (cleaning/trimming back) is reviewed at least 6 monthly (by the Amenities Committee) and any issues passed to CEC for action.

### Individual Councillors

- If approved by PCSO carry out speed watch (post COVID-19) on traffic approaching the station bridge to see if the rumble strips are working. **Cllr Rathbone**
- Deliver 'Speedwatch' enhancements (eg SDU battery change timetable). **Cllr Rathbone**
- Finalise with CEC and Network Rail whether traffic lights and a walkway can be solutioned in addition to signage – **Cllrs Morris & Rathbone**
- Create a strategy/plan to address social isolation in Goostrey – **Clerk to liaise with local groups and report to the Council.**
- Assist FOGS with plans to bring the Goostrey Station Building into beneficial use for the community, including facilities such as WC, cycle shelter. **Cllr Roberts**
- Create a strategy and have a working relationship with Sibelco that delivers the best outcomes for Goostrey. **Cllr Roberts**
- Investigate what is feasible in relation to establishing a Youth Council. – **Cllrs Roberts & Sulej**