



Goostrey Parish Council

Minutes for the Goostrey Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday 28th June 2022, at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs. O'Donoghue (IOD) (Chairman), Morgan (PM) (Vice Chairman), Rathbone (TR) (Sulej (JS), Roberts (DR) and Williams (EW)

In Attendance: E Bambrook, Clerk to the Council

PART ONE MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC PRESENT

There were no members of the press or public present.

06.22.1 Declarations of Interest: No declarations were made.

06.22.2 Apologies for absence: Apologies were received from Cllrs. Ross, Morris, Beckham and Freeman.

06.22.3 Minutes of the meeting of 24th May 2022: [View draft minutes.](#)

Resolved: *The Parish Council accepted the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on 24th May 2022 as a true and accurate record of the meeting.*

06.22.4 Cheshire East Matters: Cllr. Kolker was not present at the meeting and had given his apologies.

06.22.5 Committee Matters: To receive reports from the Parish Council Committees:

a) Planning Committee Meeting 24th May 2022. [View draft minutes.](#)

Resolved: The Parish Council resolved to accept the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting on 24th May and all the decisions therein.

b) Village Hall Management Committee Meeting 14th June 2022. [View draft minutes.](#)

• There were some questions and points arising from the minutes, as follows:

The van that parks by the zebra crossing on the entrance to the car park obscures the line of sight for pedestrians and motorists. **Action:** Clerk to ask the PCSO to assist.

• The Clerk was asked who would be responsible for any injuries that may occur in the future if the hall floor is not replaced and whether the floor can be polished rather than sanded each year. **Action:** Clerk to investigate.

• When is the electricity and oil contracts due and what are the impacts likely to be? **Action:** Clerk to investigate.

Resolved: The Parish Council resolved to accept the minutes of the Village Hall Management Committee meeting on 14th June and all the decisions therein.

06.22.6 Planning Matters:

a) [22/1763C](#) BURNSIDE, CHURCH BANK, GOOSTREY, CHESHIRE, CW4 8PG. Demolition of the existing dwelling and erection of a replacement dwelling. Extension of comments deadline to 29th June.

Resolved: The Parish Council resolved to make no comment on this application.



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- b) [22/2236C](#) 31, SOUTHLANDS ROAD, GOOSTREY, CW4 8JF. Ground floor rear extension, replacement of car port with garage, to side elevation. replacement of flat roof with pitched roof plus cladding with brickwork - to front elevation. Comments Deadline 29th June.

Resolved: The Parish Council resolved to make no comment on this application.

- c) [22/2421C](#) 35, SOUTHLANDS ROAD, GOOSTREY, CW4 8JF. Proposed two storey to front elevation and single storey extension to the rear elevation. Comments deadline 6th July.

Resolved: The Parish Council resolved to make no comment on this application.

- d) [22/2252C](#) BRICKBANK FARM, BOOTH BED LANE, GOOSTREY, CW4 8NB. Replacement of entrance gates to solid gates with brick wall splays and set further back. Comments deadline 13th July

Resolved: The Parish Council resolved to comment that the replacement gates should comply with Goostrey's Village Design Statement, Neighbourhood Plan, Section 7.

Planning application [22/2189N](#) Holly Bank Farm, 65, MAIN ROAD, GOOSTREY, CW4 8JR missed the agenda with a comments deadline of 15th July. The Clerk has asked for an extension to the deadline, failing that an additional Planning Committee Meeting could be scheduled to discuss this and any subsequent applications which are notified.

06.22.7 Financial Payments:

Resolved: The Parish Council approved the payments listed on Schedule 06/22.

06.22.8 Clerk's Report: The contents of the Clerk's report were received. It was noted that the Open Gardens event was successful, and the Council had received a message of thanks from the organiser. It was felt that congratulations on the event's success should go in the next newsletter. Councillors also suggested some additional notable items which could be included in the newsletter, these were recorded by the Clerk.

06.22.9 Highways & Speedwatch

- a) **Speedwatch Report:** The report was received and noted. TR reported that there were still no new volunteers and it was agreed that this would be included in the next newsletter. The SDU is still providing data and shows that speeding got worse when the Speedwatch sessions had to stop.
- **SDU at Shearbrook, Main Road - Summary Report May 2022:** The report was received and noted.
- b) **Footpath/Tree on Main Road:** The Clerk provided an update on the progression of the planning application and has completed 4 out of 6 sections and has also spoken to and received additional information from the owner. Supporting documentation is required as part of the application and having sought advice from an architect, the advice is to provide as much information as possible, including appointing a tree consultant to provide a report. The



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architect has offered to provide general advice and to review the final application on the basis that this is not a direct professional appointment.

Resolved: The council approves the payment of £160 to secure the services of a tree consultant to visit site and provide a written assessment of the tree and its surroundings including its impact on the highway to support the application.

- c) **White Lining Proposal from Cheshire East Council Highways:** The Council debated whether to proceed with the work to re-line the markings at Booth Bed junction including other areas which required improvement. While members were keen to see this work done, it was felt that this did not represent value for money for the public as the price provided was an estimate and could be significantly more. It was also noted that this would be a double taxation on residents and would set a precedent for the Parish Council paying for work which is the responsibility of the local authority. It was therefore agreed that the council would not proceed with the work on this basis.

The motion to instruct CEC Highways to proceed with the work as outlined in the quote, up to a maximum of £3040 was not carried.

- d) **Highways Liaison Role:** This item will be deferred to the next meeting as Cllr. Morris was absent. PM advised that the Speed Management Strategy at CEC looks likely to be going to committee in September so this needs to be monitored. The Ward Councillors will be asked to update the council.

06.22.10 Police Matters: Nothing new to report. The PCSO liaison meeting will take place in a couple of weeks and TR advised that he would attend. IOD advised that there seemed to have been an attempted break in on Mill Lane on Sunday morning.

06.22.11 Donations to Support Ukrainian Refugees living in Goostrey: Following agreement at the council meeting in March to make a donation to the British Red Cross, it was also agreed that the Council would like to assist a local effort to support the Ukrainians. IOD was tasked with investigating what this might be and what would be required. IOD reported that there are currently two families hosting Ukrainian refugees in the village. One family has purchased equipment to help their guests with education and work and the other family needed to purchase new clothing for their guests. The Clerk had already sought legal advice from the Society of Local Council Clerks and confirmed that, as the Council holds the General Power of Competence, a donation to the families would be legal.



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It was agreed that IOD would put the host families in touch with the Clerk, who would confirm the donation amount and its purpose, arrange payment, confirm receipt and request follow up information on the use of the donation, where appropriate, in order to provide an audit trail.

Resolved: The Parish Council resolved to donate £500 to the two host families (£1000 in total) to support the needs of their Ukrainian guests. Any future donations will be considered on a case by case basis; the form of any donation, the amount donated and the method of delivering the donation will be appropriate to the circumstances and the Council's finances.

06.22.12 Planting of a Memorial Tree: It was agreed to defer this item due new information having been provided which meant that Parish Council input may not be required.

06.22.13 Minor items and items for the next agenda.

- Concern was raised over the Willow opposite the junction to Manor Avenue as large branches have fallen on to the pavement and highway over the last four week period. **Action:** It was agreed that the Clerk would contact CEC Highways and Trees to report the issue as a matter of urgency.
- IOD thanked the staff for their efforts on Rose Day, particularly The Village Hall Supervisor who had built a buzz wire at the last minute from items in his garage after the hired buzz wire was broken and not delivered. It was noted that the Amenities Committee needed to secure sufficient volunteers for future events.

06.22.14 Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 16th August 2022.

Close meeting – The meeting closed at 8.40pm

The minutes of the meeting remain draft until they are approved at the next Parish Council meeting.