



Goostrey Parish Council

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on Wednesday 12th June 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Main Hall

Agenda

1. **Declarations of Interest**
2. **Apologies for Absence**
3. **Minutes of the meeting of 20th September 2023:** The minutes of this meeting were approved at the council meeting on 24th October 2023, minute reference 10.23.5 a.
4. **Strategic Plan:** To review and update the existing plan as it relates to the Planning Committee and agree any objectives for 2024 – 2028. **See page 2.**
5. **Cheshire East Local Plan Consultation:** To review and agree responses to the consultation and make recommendations to the council for approval. Deadline 1st July 2024. View consultation and supporting documentation. <https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/planning/spatial-planning/cheshire-east-local-plan/new-local-plan.aspx>
6. **Correspondence:** To consider any correspondence received since the last meeting
7. **Applications received after the agenda for this meeting was issued:** Review of applications to be added to the next planning meeting agenda.
8. **Minor Items and Items for the next meeting.**
9. **Date of the Next Meeting:** Tuesday 25th June 2024.



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Objectives for the years 2020-2024

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. **Completed 2021. Plan is published.**

- 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. **Completed.**

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

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

- 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. **Ongoing**

- 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. **Awaiting response.**

- 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 January 2023. It was the view of the VHMC that the provision of EV charging points in the car park was not required at this time, particularly considering the ongoing issues surrounding unauthorised parking.

- 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.

The Goostrey Playground Community Project Working Group has been established, reporting to the Amenities Committee and Council. The group are working with ANSA to deliver the project.

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 plan to re-open the Village Hall has already been completed. We are currently aiming at re-opening at the beginning of April 2021. **Update:** VH Re-opened in July 2021 and Village Hall Supervisors recruited.

- 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. **In Progress**
- C) Actively promote availability of the village hall to increase revenue and maximise local social benefits.** This activity is undertaken by the Village Hall Supervisor in consultation with the Clerk. **In Progress**
- D) Village Hall fully operating with improved methods and processes for maximising use for income and social benefit.** This activity is undertaken by the Village Hall Supervisor in consultation with the Clerk. **In Progress.**
- 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. **The electronic booking system, Hallmaster, has been implemented.**

Finance Committee

- Review the process for obtaining quotes (eg time limit for suppliers on responses) (2022)

Planning Committee

- Review updating the Neighbourhood Plan after CEC publish the SADPD (in 2021) **Update:** Possible review following CEC Local Plan consultation.
- Re-Investigate grants/funding for driveways for bungalows on Main Road (in 2021) **Update:** 2022

Clerk (supported by the PC where required)

- Achieve The 'Quality Standard' (Local Council Award Scheme) **Completed** 2021
- Encourage residents to report potholes/blocked drains/defective street lighting etc to CEC using the 'Report It' website. **Ongoing**
- 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. **Update:** Hedges reported to Highways
- 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. **Ongoing.**

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. In progress.**
- 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 - Ongoing**
- Investigate what is feasible in relation to establishing a Youth Council. – **Cllrs Roberts & Sulej – Update: Initial investigation revealed that as Holmes Chapel School serves the village, students already had the opportunity to join the Holmes Chapel Youth Council. Complete.**

Adopted at the Meeting of Goostrey Parish Council on 15th December 2020. Updated March 2024.

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Project List for 2020 - 2024

No.	Project title	Summary	Justification	Funding Requirements	Funding Source(s)	Responsible Member/ Committee	Planning period	Recommendation
Planned projects of the Parish Council and Included in the 3 Year Budget Plan Projects allocated to the appropriate committee and approved by Council								
1	Village Hall – Hall and Lounge Lighting Project	To replace the main lights and spot lights in the hall to LED and to supplement the lighting in the lounge with individually controlled spot lights.	The change to LED lighting in the Hall if for reasons of economy of electrical bills going forward and the spot lights are no longer functional. The additional spot lights in the lounge are to improve the low level lighting for social functions Complete work 2020/21	Funding from Cap Reserves £3000 for 2020/21	Parish Council Project	Village Hall Management Committee	2019/20 Planning complete	Completed in June 2021.
2	Village Hall – Bar Servery Replacement	To replace the dated pine clad bar server with a more modern bar and to add a fire proof and acoustic roller shutter to divide the lounge from the kitchen area	The kitchen was upgraded in 2017 and residents using the hall have been indicating that the servery should be updated in keeping with the kitchen.	Funding from Cap Reserves £15,000 for 2020/21	Parish Council Project	Village Hall Management Committee	2019/20 Planning complete	Completed in June 2021.

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3.	New Bench on Booth Bed Green	To replace the existing hard standing and to install a new bench	The bench which was originally at this location was donated by the Royal British Legion Women's Section. Unfortunately it had to be removed 2 years previously as it was beyond repair. Since it was removed residents had indicated it should be replaced.	Funding from Gen Reserves £850 for 2020/21	Parish Council Project	Amenities Committee	2019/20 Planning complete	Completed in February 2021.
4	New Speed Indicator Device for Shearbrook (Main Road)	To replace the SID at Shearbrook on Main Road with a new unit which incorporates data collection and remote data transfer	The unit on Booth Bed Lane failed and was beyond repair. The Council decided to move the unit at Shearbrook to Booth Bed Lane and put the new SID at Shearbrook as this is where the deterrent is required. Data is reported to the Council monthly.	Funding from Gen Reserves £3000 for 2020/21	Parish Council Project	Amenities Committee	2020/21 Planning complete	Completed in January 2021.
5	Village Hall Floor Refurbishment	To strip, sand and re lacquer the hall floor	Annually the hall floor is cleaned and resealed. Last year the resealing did not work well and the recommendation was to sand and reseal the floor.	Funding from Gen Reserves for 2020/21	Parish Council Project	Village Hall Management Committee	2019/20 Planning complete	Completed in June 2021.

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6	Village Hall Planting Project	To lay a path along the front of the Village Hall Lounge and plant the border with shrubs and summer bedding plants	The large border at the front of the Village Hall was full of very overgrown and woody shrubs which were past their best and blocked light to the lounge.	Funding from Gen Reserves and donations from residents £1000 including £55 donations. For 2021/22	Parish Council Project	Village Hall Management Committee	2019/20 Planning complete	Completed in May 2021.
7	Telephone box/defibrillator cabinet Refurb	To strip and refurbish the telephone box which houses one of the Village defibrillators	The phone box was purchased by the Parish Council some years ago and was in need of stripping and repainting to improve aesthetic appearance and protect the defibrillator.	Funding from Gen Reserves £2500 For 2021/22	Parish Council Project	Amenities Committee	2020/21 Planning complete	Completed in November 2021.
8	Remembrance Crocuses on Church Bank Corner	To plant 400 crocuses of the variety "Remembrance" to remember those who suffered loss and hardship during the Pandemic. A plaque to be placed on the bench opposite the planting.	This project was in consultation with St Luke's Church.	Funding from Amenities Budget for 2021/22	Parish Council Project	Amenities Committee	2020/21 Planning complete	Completed in November 2021.
9	Village Environment Improvement Project	To engage with residents regarding areas for improvement in the Village.	Survey to be sent out in paper and electronically Feedback from residents to be collated and then	Funding from Gen Reserves £600 for the survey and additional works to be specified as separate projects	Parish Council Project	Amenities Committee	2020/21 Planning complete	Survey completed April 2021. Project Plan is monitored and updated by the Amenities Committee as elements are brought forward and completed.

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10.	Booth Bed Lane Play Area Improvements	New equipment or facilities.	Approximately £40k is available via S 106 payments relating to a housing development nearby.	Further grant funding will be sought if it is agreed that the scope of the project exceeds the S106 funding.	Parish Council Project	Amenities	January 2023 – December 2023	Consultation with residents has taken place and a Working Group of residents and Parish Councillor has been established to progress the project through to conclusion. Deadline – August 2025.
11.	Replacement Windows for the Parish Office and Committee Room	To upgrade the windows in the Parish Office and Committee Room	The windows in the Village Hall were replaced in 2019 with the exception of these rooms. Whilst functional, the rooms would benefit from double glazed windows.	Estimate of £4000	Parish Council Project	Village Hall Management Committee		To be completed in 2023
12.	Village Entrances Projects	The Amenities Committee has identified two entrances to the Village and for which aesthetic improvements need to be made.	A number of improvements to these areas were suggested in the Village Environmental Improvements Survey and these are currently being developed	Funding from Capital Reserves Estimate £7,650	Parish Council Project	Amenities Committee		Boothbed Lane/Main Road Junction Village Entrance completed January 2023. Church Bank – Quotations sought and work to commence June 2024.
13.	Environmental Hedge at Shearbrook Bank	An area listed for improvement is the top of the Shearbrook Bank, it is proposed that a hedge of native hedging is planted to obscure the fence and to increase	This was brought up as part of the feedback from the Village Environmental Improvements Survey	Funding from Capital Reserves Estimate £950	Parish Council Project	Amenities Committee		Completed December 2022.

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		plants available to pollinators.						
14.	New Bench for the Bog Bean	To install a new bench	One of the existing benches is not economical to repair	Funding from Capital Reserves Estimate £900	Parish Council Project	Amenities Committee		Completed June 2023.
15.	The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Event	An event to take place between 2 nd and 5 th June at the Village Hall. Details to be determined	This may be an afternoon tea and an exhibition but more work needs to be done to define the event and liaison with other groups in the village is essential	Funding from Gen Reserves £1000 For 2022/23	Parish Council Project	Amenities Committee		Parish Archive exhibition and afternoon tea held in 2022.
16.	New Christmas Lights for the Bog Bean	To install a new Christmas Lighting scheme on the Bog Bean	Existing lighting has reached the end of its life and needs replacing.	Funding from Gen Reserves £2000 for 2022/23. Much of the work was done FOC by a resident leaving reserves for 2023/24.	Parish Council Project	Amenities Committee		Completed November 2023.

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17.	Neighbourhood Plan Review	To review the Neighbourhood plan made in 2017.	Review is necessary due to more recent changes to NPPF and Cheshire East Local Plan and SADPD	Funding from Gen Reserves £12000 for 2022/23	Parish Council Project	Planning Committee		The Planning committee reviewed the NP and agreed that an update was not required at this time. The money will be left in reserve as a review will be required in the future.
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0	Proposed projects yet to be adopted by the Parish Council Projects that have been proposed but not necessarily fully defined. These proposed projects have not, as yet, been adopted by the Council. If adopted they will be allocated to the appropriate category and committee							
1.	Village Hall Replacement Loft Ladder	Replace the existing aluminum ladder with a more robust ladder	This project has been instigated as the current ladder, whilst adequate could be improved. The ladder is only used by Staff.	Estimate of £500	Parish Council Project	Village Hall Management Committee		Due to the removal of most of the stored items in the loft and the very few times access is required by staff, the current ladder was deemed adequate and this item was removed.
2.	Improvement of Grassed areas	Work to tidy and improve some grassed areas in the village	Needs further investigation	Funding from Capital Reserves Estimate £825	Parish Council Project	Amenities Committee		To be completed by 2024
3.	Village Gates Project	To install Village Gates for traffic calming	Exact details to be defined	Funding from Gen Reserves Estimate £7000	Parish Council Project	Amenities Committee		During 2024/25

4.	Station Bridge	Concept stage. Safety initiative for residents using the bridge.	Liaison progressing with CEC Highways.	Preliminary estimates to be prepared	Parish Council Project	Amenities Committee		Post 2025
5.	Average Speed Cameras	To install average speed cameras in the Village	This is currently at the feasibility/investigation stage. The Parish Council has applied to join a pilot scheme	Possible Funding from Gen Reserves of up to £50000	Parish Council Project	Amenities Committee		By end 2024