



Goostrey Parish Council

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17th September 2025

DOCUMENT PACK FOR THE GOOSTREY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

On 23rd September 2025

Public Forum 7.30 – 7.45pm. - Public comments will be taken before the Meeting commences but are restricted to 15 minutes unless the Chairman allows otherwise.

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence:** To receive apologies for unavoidable absence.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** To receive and minute any declarations of interests.
3. **Minutes:** To accept the minutes from the meeting of the Parish Council on 22nd July 2025 and all the decisions therein. [View draft Minutes of the meeting of Goostrey Parish Council 22nd July 2025.](#)

Motion: The Parish Council resolves to accept the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 22nd July 2025.

4. **Cheshire East Council Matters:** To receive a report on Cheshire East Council Matters. To deal with any questions by Members relating to the report and any questions by Members notified in advance to the Chairman and the CE Councillor.
5. **Committee Matters:** To receive reports from the Parish Council Committees:
 - a) Amenities Committee Minutes 3rd September 2025. [View Amenities Committee Minutes 3rd September 2025.](#)

Motion: The Parish Council resolves to accept the minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting of 3rd September 2025 and all the decisions therein.

- b) Village Hall Management Committee Minutes 9th September 2025. [View Village Hall Management Committee Minutes 9th September 2025.](#)
[View CCTV Policy](#)

Motion: The Parish Council resolves to accept the minutes of the Village Hall Management Committee meeting of 9th September 2025 and all the decisions therein.

6. **Planning Matters:** Applications may be viewed following the links below or at https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/planning/view_a_planning_application
 - a) **To receive and agree a response to the following planning applications:**
[25/3283/LBC](#) Church Cottage, 10 Station Road, Goostrey, Crewe, Cheshire East, CW4 8PJ.
Listed building consent to repair and replacement of existing timber windows, repoint west elevation in lime mortar and treat with masonry creme and repaint front elevation.

Comments deadline 3rd October 2025.

b) To receive an update on the following planning matters:

25/2178/FUL St. Luke's Church extension. To note the thanks of St. Luke's Church representatives for the council's support of its application.

- 7. Financial Payments:** To approve payments in Schedule 08 & 09/25. **Includes:** Salaries & expenses. **See page 4.**

Motion: The Parish Council approves the payments listed on Schedule 08 & 09/25.

- 8. Clerk's Report:** To receive and note the Clerk's report, including actions from the Last Meeting and Correspondence. **See page 6.**
- 9. Highways & Speedwatch:** To receive the Speedwatch report. **See page 8.**
- 10. Police Matters:** To consider any matters related to local policing.
- 11. Co-option of a Councillor:** To receive applications for the office of Parish councillor and to Co-opt a candidate to fill the existing vacancy.
- 12. Conclusion of External Audit:** To confirm that the external audit has been completed, to note the opinion of the Auditor and confirm the duration of the publication of the conclusion of audit notice. **See page 9.**
- 13. Road Safety Meeting:** To receive a report following the Road Safety Meeting held on 17th September. **To follow.**
- 14. Village Maintenance Contract:** To receive an update on the current village maintenance contract. To review quotes received for an interim contract and to approve a Village Maintenance contractor for the period from 1st November 2025 – 31st March 2026. **See page 13.**
- 15. Grant Applications:** To review and consider approval of the grant application from Goostrey Tots. **See page 15.**
- 16. Donation for New Defibrillator:** To consider a request for the Parish Council to make a donation to cover the cost of replacing one of the two village defibrillators. **See page 25.**
- 17. Remembrance Wreath:** To approve a donation to The Royal British Legion (Goostrey Branch) for a Remembrance wreath.
- 18. Seniors' Christmas Lunch Ticket Price:** To approve the recommendation of the Amenities Committee to set the ticket price at £14 per person. **See page 26.**
- 19. National Joint Council for Local Government Services Pay Award:** To note the pay award applicable to the Clerk from 1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026. **See page 27.**
- 20. Parish Council Policies:** To review and approve the following council policies:
- a) [Anonymous Communications Policy](#)
Motion: The Parish Council approves the Anonymous Communications Policy.
 - b) [Councillor Vacancies and Co-option Policy](#)
Motion: The Parish Council approves the Councillor Vacancies and Co-option Policy.
 - c) [Dignity at Work Policy](#)
Motion: The Parish Council approves the Dignity at Work Policy.
 - d) [Grant Awarding Policy](#) and [Grant Application Form](#)
Motion: The Parish Council approves the Grant Awarding Policy and Grant Application form.
- 21. Council Newsletters:** To receive an update on the next issue of the council newsletters.

- 22. Calendar of Meetings 2026:** To receive and approve the dates for the all council and committee meetings for 2026. **See page 32.**
- 23. Minor items and items for the next agenda.**
- 24. Date of Next Meeting – 28th October 2025**

Close meeting

ENCLOSURES

ITEM 7 FINANCIAL PAYMENTS

Payment Schedule 08&09/25 Aug/Sept 2025

Payment Date	Payee	Paid Out	Description	
05/08/2025	1 Staff Salaries	£2,387.11	Staff Salaries	Paid
05/08/2025	2 HMRC	£654.53	Tax and NI	Paid
05/08/2025	3 Nest	£238.04	Pension Payment	Paid DD
13/08/2025	4 Vodafone	£19.20	Mobile Phone Contract	Paid DD
15/08/2025	5 Nat West	£27.00	Bankline Charges	Paid
15/08/2025	6 NALC	£60.00	LCAS Registration Fee	Paid
15/08/2025	7 HSL Compliance	£900.00	Asbestos Refurbishment Survey	Paid
19/08/2025	8 Plusnet	£44.49	Telephone and Broadband	DD
05/09/2025	9 Staff Salaries	£2,315.33	Staff Salaries	Paid
05/09/2025	10 HMRC	£568.14	Tax and NI	Paid
05/09/2025	11 Nest	£217.92	Pension Payment	Paid DD
			Replacement Paxton PC and	
05/09/2025	12 Keytrak Lock & Safe Company	£1,637.89	Installation of software	Paid
05/09/2025	13 Swift Tree Services	£960.00	Primrose Chase Project	Paid
12/09/2025	14 Vodafone	£19.20	Mobile Phone Contract	Paid DD
15/09/2025	15 Nat West	£22.70	Bankline Charges	Paid
19/09/2025	16 Plusnet	£44.49	Telephone and Broadband	Paid DD
26/09/2025	17 PKF Littlejohn LLP	£378.00	External Audit Fee	
26/09/2025	18 PPL/PRS	£277.90	Music Licence	
26/09/2025	19 Viking	£124.15	Village Hall Supplies	
26/09/2025	20 Cartridge Save	£40.33	Printer Ink	
			Making good following window	
26/09/2025	21 CTS Property Services	£120.00	installation	
			Website hosting, support and	
26/09/2025	22 Netwise UK	£396.00	maintenance	
26/09/2025	23 SLCC	£35.00	SLCC Branch Conference	
26/09/2025	24 Hall Hire	£38.40	Hall Hire re-imbursement	
		£11,525.82	inc VAT	

Receipts at 15th September 2025

Village Hall Income	£3,431.39	inc VAT
Santander Bank Interest	£507.63	
Precept 2nd Installment	£28,105.00	
VAT Refund	£1,328.25	
Total Receipts	£33,372.27	

Account Balances at 15th September 2025

Current Account	£81,107.90
Santander Capital Account	£82,897.52
NS&I General	£60,695.97
TOTAL	£224,701.39

Caxton Card Report 15th September 2025

Transaction Date	Payee	Amount	Description
	Balance brought forward	£369.54	
16/07/2025	1 Trimming Shop Group Ltd	£9.02	Decorations for Switch On Event
17/07/2025	2 Amazon	£37.65	Decorations for Switch On Event
17/07/2025	3 Amazon	£39.20	Decorations for Switch On Event
17/07/2025	4 Mould Stephen Ltd	£13.65	Decorations for Switch On Event
19/08/2025	5 Trading Made Easy Ltd	£29.99	Kick Step - Village Hall
20/08/2025	6 Amazon	£19.23	Spray Bottles - Village Hall
04/09/2025	7 Amazon	£22.16	Megaphone - Switch On Event
04/09/2025	8 Amazon	£14.49	Batteries - Switch On Event
04/09/2025	9 Amazon	£8.49	Tickets - Seniors' Lunch
	Total Spend	£193.88	
	Total Fees	£13.50	
	Total Spend inc Fees	£207.38	
	Card Load	£500.00	
	Card Balance at 15th September 2025	£662.16	

Item 8 Clerk's Report

Actions

- a) Planning comments submitted.
- b) Payments made.
- c) Road Safety meeting arranged and held.
- d) Boothbed Lane Speed Limit Change resolved.
- e) Policies and plans updated.

Correspondence

- a) RE: Village Maintenance Contract Tue 16/09
- b) RE: FW: KDE Quote: QUO/1583869 – Electrical Work Lighting Replacements
- c) Parish Council Fwd: Goostrey Village Hall - request to install solar panels to the roof
- d) Police & Crime Commissioner for Cheshire Parish and Town council September newsletter
- e) M Owen RE: Sports Coaching Sessions at Goostrey Village Hall
- f) Goostrey Primary Admin RE: Village Hall Booking Saturday
- g) Goostrey Primary Admin RE: Sports Coaching Sessions at Goostrey Village Hall
- h) Resident RE: Goostrey Road Safety Meeting
- i) Advice RE: SLCC Contact Form - Advice Query
- j) Resident RE: PCSO Surgeries
- k) Cheshire East Planning Planning Application Consultation ref. 25/3283/LBC
- l) Liz Corfield RE: Police and Crime Commissioner Borough, Town and Parish Council meeting
- m) CEHStreetworks Cheshire East Highways – Works in your area
- n) Hirer Re: Goosfest Booking 7th October
- o) Hannah Bayley Re: Seniors' Christmas Lunch 2025
- p) Pam Graham RE: [EXTERNAL] Beat Surgeries
- q) Christine Broad Bench in the churchyard
- r) Stephanie Astbury FW: Village Maintenance Contract
- s) asbestos reports S25-03732 - Goostrey Community Primary School
- t) ChALC ChALC Weekly Bulletin 08.09.25 on 08/09
- u) Resident Re: Residents' Petition
- v) CTC Re: Environmental Hedge - Shearbrook Bank and SLA
- w) Cheshire East Local Issues Cheshire East Highways Report Update: SR510004324
- x) Cheshire East Local Issues Cheshire East Council – New Local Issue : SR510004324
- y) Resident Re: Junction Danger
- z) Tree Ranger Re: Tree Report
- aa) CEHStreetworks Cheshire East Highways – Works in your area
- bb) Goostrey Tots Re: grant
- cc) CTC RE: Service Level Agreement
- dd) Cheshire East Council BACs Remittance Advice 11502365
- ee) WHITMARSH, Katie RE: Application for Landlord Consent
- ff) Cheshire East Local Issues Cheshire East Highways Report Update: SR510003898
- gg) Cheshire East Local Issues Cheshire East Council – New Local Issue : SR510003898
- hh) Goosfest Art In The Barns RE: Goosfest Art In The Barns Private Viewing & Reception
- ii) Christine Broad Re: Christingle Service
- jj) Goostrey Primary Admin RE: H&S Compliance - Water Testing
- kk) Goostrey Primary Admin RE: After School Sports
- ll) Re: Update for FoGS on Goostrey parish council website
- mm) CEHStreetworks Cheshire East Highways – Works in your area
- nn) Interior Decorating Quote - Goostrey Village Hall.

oo) David McGifford RE: Invoice TC15001 and Primrose Chase
pp) GPA Re: Archive Boxes and Equipment
qq) Re: Goosfest Question
rr) Police & Crime Commissioner for Cheshire Parish and Town council August newsletter
ss) ChALC ChALC Weekly Bulletin 18.08.25 18/08/2025
tt) Parish Council Re: 2025 Solar Together Scheme Now Open for Limited Time
uu) Re: RE: Goosfest 25 H&S at the VH
vv) Resident FW: CR Plus - Charge Paks
ww) Resident Office Hours
xx) CEHStreetworks Cheshire East Highways – Works in your area
yy) Resident Re: The Old Paddock
zz) Monitoring Officer CEC Automatic reply: Parish Council Details
aaa) Re: Church Yard
bbb) ChALC ChALC Weekly Bulletin 11.08.25
ccc) Resident Booking an Appointment
ddd) Goostrey Footpath Meeting minutes 24 July 2025
eee) Sue McKay (Holmes Chapel Parish Council) Holmes Chapel Civic Service for The Community
fff) Cheshire East Highways 40mph Speed Restriction information: Congleton Road, Sandbach
ggg) ChALC ChALC Weekly Bulletin 04.08.25 04/08/2025
hhh) PKF Littlejohn LLP CH0081 2024/25 AGAR Section 3 External Auditor Report
iii) St. Luke's Re: Planning Application Support
jjj) Resident Re: Residents' Petition
kkk) Resident Re: Disabled Parking
lll) RE: Re Footpaths Group Question
mmm) CEHStreetworks Cheshire East Highways - Traffic Management Area Highway Group Report
nnn) Sibelco - Rudheath Quarry Liaison Meeting
ooo) CEHStreetworks Cheshire East Highways - Traffic Management Area Highway Group Report
ppp) RE: Quotation for tree work
qqq) Filming & Events RE: Event - Goostrey Christmas Lights Switch On 21/07/2025
rrr) Highways Licences Automatic reply: Event - Goostrey Christmas Lights Switch On Village
sss) ChALC ChALC Weekly Bulletin 21.07.25
ttt) CHADWICK, Russell (Councillor) FW: Devo release: Government confirms devolution for Cheshire and Warrington can progress
uuu) Admin FW: Replacement Lighting
vvv) GPA Re: Access to Goostrey Parish Archive Cupboard
www) CHADWICK, Russell (Councillor) FW: PRESS RELEASE New household waste recycling centre
xxx) CEHStreetworks Cheshire East Highways - Traffic Management Area Highway Group Report
yyy) CHADWICK, Russell (Councillor) FW: RELEASE: 16.7.25 - Cheshire East to launch new online tool for easy reporting of local issues

GOOSTREY PARISH COUNCIL SPEEDWATCH REPORT August/September 2025
For September 2025 GPC MEETING

DATE & TIME	LOCATION	LOW SPEED MPH	TOP SPEED MPH	NUMBER OF VEHICLES LOGGED	TOTAL NUMBER OF VEHICLES PASSING
04/07/25 14.30-15.25	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	37	5	Not available
11/07/25 08.25-09.20	NEWPLATT LANE	35	41	9	97
11/07/25 14.45-15.35	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	37	3	226
04/09/25 08.30-09.30	MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN	35	36	2	268

Report to Parish Council September 2025

Speedwatch Activity Summary

Speedwatch sessions resumed with a session on 16th January 2025 led by Paddy Fagan and are now continuing to take place. Extra sessions on 11th July in support of Cheshire-wide Speedwatch initiative by Police.

Session on 4th September 2025 2 vehicles monitored travelling at 36 mph and above. Maximum speed monitored is 36mph.

SHEARBROOK SID

No report for August/September 2025 meeting as data still cannot be downloaded but device is still displaying. Liaison taking place with TWM Ltd. Regarding repair of SID progress is slow (This has continued since February 2025 Clerk is pressing TWM).

TR 15/09/2025

Goostrey Parish Council

Notice of conclusion of audit

Annual Governance & Accountability Return for the year ended 31 March 2025

Sections 20(2) and 25 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014

Section 16 of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/234)

		Notes
1.	The audit of accounts for Goostrey Parish Council for the year ended 31 March 2025 has been completed and the accounts have been published.	<p>This notice and Sections 1, 2 & 3 of the AGAR must be published by 30 September. This must include publication on the smaller authority's website. The smaller authority must decide how long to publish the Notice for; the AGAR and external auditor report must be publicly available for 5 years.</p>
2.	The Annual Governance & Accountability Return including the auditor's certificate and opinion is available for inspection and copying by any local government elector of the area of Goostrey Parish Council on application to:	
(a)	Emma Bambrook, Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer Goostrey Village Hall, Main Road, Goostrey, Cheshire, CW4 8PE 01477 535825	
(b)	These documents will be made available on reasonable notice by application between the hours of 1pm - 4pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Excluding public holidays.	(a) Insert the name, position and address of the person to whom local government electors should apply to inspect the AGAR
3.	Copies of the Annual Governance & Accountability Return will be provided to any local government elector of the area on request.	(b) Insert the hours during which inspection rights may be exercised
Announcement made by: (d)	Emma Bambrook, Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer	(c) Insert a reasonable sum for copying costs
Date of announcement: (e)	11th August 2025	(d) Insert the name and position of person placing the notice
		(e) Insert the date of placing of the notice

Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2024/25

We acknowledge as the members of:

Goostrey Parish Council

our responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control, including arrangements for the preparation of the Accounting Statements. We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2025, that:

	Agreed		'Yes' means that this authority:
	Yes	No*	
1. We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements.	✓		prepared its accounting statements in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations.
2. We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.	✓		made proper arrangements and accepted responsibility for safeguarding the public money and resources in its charge.
3. We took all reasonable steps to assure ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this authority to conduct its business or manage its finances.	✓		has only done what it has the legal power to do and has complied with Proper Practices in doing so.
4. We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	✓		during the year gave all persons interested the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about this authority's accounts.
5. We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required.	✓		considered and documented the financial and other risks it faces and dealt with them properly.
6. We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems.	✓		arranged for a competent person, independent of the financial controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whether internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority.
7. We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.	✓		responded to matters brought to its attention by internal and external audit.
8. We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements.	✓		disclosed everything it should have about its business activity during the year including events taking place after the year end if relevant.
9. (For local councils only) Trust funds including charitable. In our capacity as the sole managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the fund(s)/assets, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit.	Yes	No	N/A
			✓

***Please provide explanations to the external auditor on a separate sheet for each 'No' response and describe how the authority will address the weaknesses identified. These sheets must be published with the Annual Governance Statement.**

This Annual Governance Statement was approved at a meeting of the authority on:

27/05/2025

and recorded as minute reference:

05.25.22.b

Signed by the Chair and Clerk of the meeting where approval was given:

Chair



Clerk



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Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2024/25 for

Goostrey Parish Council

	Year ending		Notes and guidance
	31 March 2024 £	31 March 2025 £	
1. Balances brought forward	193,313	192,730	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of previous year.
2. (+) Precept or Rates and Levies	50,680	52,581	Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received.
3. (+) Total other receipts	29,476	37,680	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received.
4. (-) Staff costs	33,133	35,227	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include gross salaries and wages, employers NI contributions, employers pension contributions, gratuities and severance payments.
5. (-) Loan interest/capital repayments	0	0	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any).
6. (-) All other payments	47,606	49,073	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cashbook less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).
7. (=) Balances carried forward	192,730	198,691	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) - (4+5+6).
8. Total value of cash and short term investments	192,730	198,691	The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March – To agree with bank reconciliation.
9. Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets	67,382	68,959	The value of all the property the authority owns – it is made up of all its fixed assets and long term investments as at 31 March.
10. Total borrowings	0	0	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).

For Local Councils Only	Yes	No	N/A	
11a. Disclosure note re Trust funds (including charitable)		✓		The Council, as a body corporate, acts as sole trustee and is responsible for managing Trust funds or assets.
11b. Disclosure note re Trust funds (including charitable)			✓	The figures in the accounting statements above exclude any Trust transactions.

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2025 the Accounting Statements in this Annual Governance and Accountability Return have been prepared on either a receipts and payments or income and expenditure basis following the guidance in Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities – a Practitioners' Guide to Proper Practices and present fairly the financial position of this authority.

Signed by Responsible Financial Officer before being presented to the authority for approval

EJ Bembrook

Date

14/05/2025

I confirm that these Accounting Statements were approved by this authority on this date:

27/05/2025

as recorded in minute reference:

05.25.22.C

Signed by Chair of the meeting where the Accounting Statements were approved

[Signature]

Section 3 – External Auditor’s Report and Certificate 2024/25

In respect of **GOOSTREY PARISH COUNCIL-CH0081**

1 Respective responsibilities of the auditor and the authority

Our responsibility as auditors to complete a **limited assurance review** is set out by the National Audit Office (NAO). A limited assurance review is **not a full statutory audit**, it does not constitute an audit carried out in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK & Ireland) and hence it **does not** provide the same level of assurance that such an audit would. The UK Government has determined that a lower level of assurance than that provided by a full statutory audit is appropriate for those local public bodies with the lowest levels of spending.

Under a limited assurance review, the auditor is responsible for reviewing Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return in accordance with NAO Auditor Guidance Note 02 (AGN 02) as issued by the NAO on behalf of the Comptroller and Auditor General. AGN 02 is available from the NAO website – <https://www.nao.org.uk/code-audit-practice/guidance-and-information-for-auditors/>

This authority is responsible for ensuring that its financial management is adequate and effective and that it has a sound system of internal control. The authority prepares an Annual Governance and Accountability Return in accordance with *Proper Practices* which:

- summarises the accounting records for the year ended 31 March 2025; and
- confirms and provides assurance on those matters that are relevant to our duties and responsibilities as external auditors.

2 External auditor’s limited assurance opinion 2024/25

On the basis of our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR), in our opinion the information in Sections 1 and 2 of the AGAR is in accordance with Proper Practices and no other matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

Other matters not affecting our opinion which we draw to the attention of the authority:

None

3 External auditor certificate 2024/25

We certify that we have completed our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return, and discharged our responsibilities under the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, for the year ended 31 March 2025.

External Auditor Name

PKF LITTLEJOHN LLP		
External Auditor Signature		Date
		31/07/2025

Item 14 Village Maintenance Contract

The Village Maintenance contract is awarded each year and runs from 1st April to 31st March. The current Village Maintenance Contractor has given the required one month's notice of the termination of the contract to the Parish Council, with work due to cease on 30th September. The contractor has stated that it is no longer able to provide the service for the agreed price and has had to withdraw.

The Amenities Committee agreed that the Clerk should try to obtain quotes for the following reduced work schedule to take place between 1st November 2025 and 31st March 2026:

1. Grass Cutting	
1a. Goostrey Cemetery including bank outside on Main Road/Station Road. 1b. Primrose Chase 1c. Boothbed Lane/Main Road (Village Entrance) 1d. Boothbed Lane opposite Meadow Avenue 1e. Shearbrook Bank (Flat verge) 1f. Verge opposite the Crown including visibility splay to Village Hall access. 1g. Church Bank (Village Entrance)	Grass cutting (collected) to all areas including the edges of the grassed areas Based on 2 visits.

2. Hedge cutting	
2a. Goostrey Cemetery. Hawthorn hedge that separates the new cemetery from the old, as you come through the little wooden gate, up the steps from the Main Road. 2b. The mixed mainly holly hedge that faces on to the road. First cut in advance of Roseday. 2c. Hedges that border the residential property, Jodrell View. See map. 2d. Small hedge against the fence at the far end of the new part of the cemetery. See map.	Once
2e Shearbrook Bank (Box hedge)	Nil

3. Maintenance	
3a. Shearbrook Bank (environmental hedge at the top of the bank)	Nil
3b. Shearbrook Bank	Strim the steep grass bank twice.
3c. Shearbrook Bank (Shrubbed steep bank area)	Prune and cut back shrubs once.

3d. Church Bank	Nil
3e. Village Entrances (Main Road/Boothbed Lane & Church Bank)	Clear area of fallen leaves once.

4. Planting	
4a. Village Entrance at junction of Boothbed Lane and Main Road	Spring bedding for planter. Once
4b. Village Hall	Planting of flower bed at Village Hall once per year. (Herbaceous and Spring bedding)
4c. Village Entrance at Church Bank	Spring bedding for raised bed planter. Once

5. Weeding	
5a. Flower bed outside of Goostrey Village Hall	Once per fortnight following planting

One quote has been received at a cost of £1,998 plus VAT, this will allow the committee to remain within budget and, although quotes have been sought, the amount is below the threshold for formal quotes.

The decision required is whether to proceed with this contract.



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Grant Application Form

Please complete the form and submit to the Clerk of the Council at the above address. If you require assistance with the form, please contact the Clerk or a Councillor to discuss your application.

Applications for Grants require the organisation to submit a copy of the organisations financial statement for the last 12 months.

Where appropriate grant applicants must have a "Safeguarding Policy" in place.

Organisation Name: (If you are an individual applying on behalf of a group/organisation please include a letter of support from the group/organisation)	GOOSTREY TOTS
Contact Name:	NICK BROAD
Position in the Organisation:	CHAIRMAN
E-Mail Address:	[REDACTED]
Telephone Number:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED]
Amount requested:	£200
Bank Details or Payee Name for Cheque (our preferred method of payment is direct bank transfer)	[REDACTED]

Type of Organisation:	Parents/carers and tots social and interaction group
Aims / objectives of the organisation/ attach a copy of the constitution (as a separate document if necessary)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enable babies and toddlers to interact with their peers • Enable babies and toddlers to develop social skills • Enable parents/carers to socialise and share experiences • To provide a safe space for parents/toddlers to enjoy Constitution attached
Membership - estimate numbers and area members are drawn from	Members are mainly drawn from the Goostrey area. We estimate numbers around 16-20 each year.
Is membership restricted by any means	There are no restrictions as long as a baby/toddler is accompanied by their parent/carer
What age group will benefit from the funding	Ages 0-4 and their parent/carer
How will the grant be used?	The grant will enable us to replace the worn out play mats and some of the toys and other resources to enable us to maintain this high-quality provision
How will the funding benefit the Goostrey community?	The funding will enable attendees to continue to enjoy provision of the highest quality.
How do you plan to seek funding from other sources?	No other funding is being sought at this stage
Have you submitted copies of quotations if necessary? (please attach these to the form)	No quotations available but all receipts will be provided
Have you submitted a copy of the organisations financial statement? (please attach this to the form)	Please see attached

Signed:Nicholas Broad.....

Date:1st September 2025.....

Print Name:Nicholas Broad.....

`St Luke's Church, Goostrey
Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council for the year ended
31 December 2024

Financial Review

Regular Sunday and mid-week worship has been held throughout 2024 led by Revd. Canon Christine Broad, assisted by Revd. Linda Lonsdale during Christine's annual leave periods.

Total receipts on ordinary unrestricted funds were £79,362 and are detailed in the financial statements. This was an increase of £8,287 (11.6%) over the figure seen in 2023. This is largely attributable to a rise in regular giving and Income Tax recovered therefrom, general fundraising events, and statutory fees for funeral offices and weddings. All these issues are addressed below.

Planned Regular Giving to the church during 2024 amounted to £32,770 and represented 41% of the total unrestricted income for the year. This total was more than the £29,117 seen during 2023, and represented an increase of 12.3%. Two new subscribers joined the scheme during 2024 and three have cancelled leaving a net 58 regular subscribers at the year end. Throughout the year, seven subscribers increased their donations of the regular amount given. Some users of weekly envelopes have taken great care to make alternative arrangements to keep their giving up to date as much as possible, although some others have reduced their giving or ceased to give. It must also be noted that Loose Collections at Sunday and other services rose by £808 to £6,596 from the £5,788 seen in 2023. This situation is encouraging.

In September 2023 we registered a QR Code for the church which provides a facility for online giving. This code is displayed on the pews and weekly notice sheets. An income of £371 was raised through this facility during 2024. This sum forms part of the £6,596 total above.

Although new worshippers did start attending services during the year, we shall need to continue to encourage such as these to commit to the Regular Giving schemes going forward, quite apart from challenging others who have participated for some years to consider increasing their giving.

The majority of planned giving is gift aided and continued to reflect favourably in our 2024 claims to HM Revenue & Customs totalling £9,730. This sum is £1,289 higher than the £8,441 seen in 2023. The figure in the 2024 accounts covers giving over a 12-month period from 1st October 2023 to 30th September 2024. Throughout 2024, we have continued to submit claims under the Gift Aid on Small Donations (GASD) Scheme which has allowed us to claim gift aid on the majority of our loose collections. We express our continued thanks to Alison Gill for submitting timely regular claims every three months throughout the year, thus improving our cash flow and ensuring that our claims are as up to date as possible. The use of Gift Aid envelopes for single donations from worshippers has been maintained during 2024. Those who have continued to make regular use of them are again encouraged to approach the Treasurer with a view to moving to Standing Orders or numbered envelopes covered by a Gift Aid Declaration.

Donations to general funds of £5,148 were slightly lower than the £5,476 seen in 2023. This total includes donations relating to the Parish Magazine, one generous donation given in memory of a loved one plus a number of general donations given by individuals, and organisations that have used the church for their events. The total also includes 50% of the surplus income from six church outings organised by Nick Broad during 2024 (£507). Donations received tend to fluctuate year on year dependent upon circumstances, but are very welcome.

Six fundraising concerts were held, and a Christmas Fair took place at the end of November for General Funds. Between them, they raised a net income after costs of £3,981.

Sales of the Parish Magazine throughout the local community and local advertising therein continued to be a profitable source of additional income to the church. The magazine was produced and distributed every month throughout 2024. This provided a £763 net boost to our overall income for the year. This was unfortunately lower than in previous years due to the increased cost of printing and maintaining the annual charge at £10 to encourage new subscribers. As you will know, the annual cost for 2025 has been increased to £12. However, this would not have been possible without the dedication of our Editor, Craig Brandreth, the Advertising Secretary, Marilyn Lloyd, and David and Joyce Mason who made up the correct numbers for each round during the early part of the year. Thank you too to Liz Foster Clark who has taken on this latter role from them. We are also grateful to those who form the vast distribution network which ensures that the magazine is delivered promptly to 606 homes each month and the subscriptions collected each year. The number of 2024 subscribers to the magazine and advertisers fell slightly from those seen in 2023. We have also been grateful to Michael Jarvis who kindly continued to undertake the co-ordination and banking of the 2024 subscription payments and magazine donations. He is already on the way with this task for the 2025 year.

The Church attracts fee income both from weddings, and the offices associated with those who have passed away. During 2024, there was the reading of 3 sets of banns and appropriate certification, 2 weddings, plus a heating allowance. In addition, there were fees from 10 funerals, 7 burials, 13 burials of cremated remains, 20 monuments, 5 heating allowances, and 1 grant for a stand-alone cremation conducted by Christine. Those fees represent a very welcome income stream.

Sundry Income during 2024 was NIL compared to the £986 received during 2023 which represented reimbursement by Chester Diocese in 2023 of preaching fees paid to visiting clergy in 2022 following the retirement of the late Heather Buckley. Sundry Income tends to fluctuate year by year dependent upon circumstances.

Receipts of interest paid by HSBC Bank on our deposit account throughout the year was £831 and was higher than the £630 seen in 2023 due to higher interest rates being paid for a period of the year.

£79,082 was spent during 2024 to provide the Christian ministry of St Luke's Church, including the contribution of £44,848 to the Diocesan Parish Share which largely provides the stipends, pensions and housing for the clergy. This total figure represents a rise in costs over 2023 of £5,479 (7%). This increase is spread over a majority of our regular annual costs, especially the Parish Share. Throughout 2024, our Parish Share payments have equated to 50% of the Share for a full-time priest, still loaded at 125%, and as a result our Vicar at Goostrey continues to be appointed as a half time (and stipend) post accordingly. It should be noted, however, that the Diocese did increase the full time share by 5% from January 2024 and we have taken the increase on board proportionally. It is worthy of note, however, that St. Luke's has continued to pay its Parish Share in full during 2024.

No Vicar's Expenses were claimed during 2024. We have paid Visiting Clergy fees for seven services throughout the year to cover the Vicar's holidays. All these services were conducted by Rev'd Linda Lonsdale.

During the year, Council Tax charges of £2,430, Water Charges of £542, and £654 on trimming the vicarage hedges and the garden waste bin subscription have been paid. In addition, £250 was spent to install some pipe boxing.

Costs of Utilities, Maintenance, Parish Magazine production and Church Life of £26,482 were higher by £3,389 during 2024 than the £23,093 seen in 2023. This is primarily due to increases in utility costs, magazine printing and areas of church life generally. General Expenditure throughout 2024 has been carefully controlled so far as was possible, but this merely reflects the changing demands on the church year on year.

The total sum of £1,420 was donated to charities in 2024 from General Funds. This is derived from a

formula that takes 5% of direct giving and fundraising activity from the 2023 financial year (see Note 5 in the Financial Statements). £440 from this formula was held in hand in case of any urgent appeals being made in early 2025.

In addition to these donations made from General Funds, other charities received support from specific charitable fundraising activity during the year. Individual beneficiaries, amounts paid over and sources of this fundraising are detailed in full within Note 4 of the Financial Statements. Included were Christian Aid, Congleton Food Bank, The Children's Society and the RBL Poppy Appeal.

Reserves Policy

St Luke's started 2024 with a General Funds Reserve of £17,082 and as a result of the situation detailed in this report, we have seen this increase by the £280 surplus in income over costs, to a position of £17,362 at the year end. In addition to continuing the life and ministry of St Luke's during 2024, certain maintenance jobs on the church premises were undertaken and increased costs met. Thus, we must all continue to strive to maintain and increase, if possible, the church income over the coming year.

A sum of £84 was held in our accounts awaiting payment to the Chester Diocesan Board of Finance at 31st December 2024 for Assigned Fees collected on its behalf for funeral offices during December 2024. This sum is due for payment in January 2025.

At 1st January 2024 the sum of £1,195 was being held in the church accounts being a balance brought forward from two restricted gifts made in 2022. The restriction placed upon these gifts was that they be used to improve the premises structure and appearance. During 2024, £1,556 was donated by Rosalind Gunary to fund the installation of a memorial bench in the cemetery for her late husband Kenneth. This work was duly undertaken and payment made. A further £1,110 was added to the restricted donations representing the advance payment for a wedding to be held in February 2025 when the funds will be re-allocated appropriately. As a result, the sum of £2,305 is carried forward at 31st December 2025.

At 1st January 2024, the Accessibility Fund stood at £33,343 and during 2024 a further £18 was added relating to gifts made to the Tree of Light, plus donations of £100, £476 from 50% of the surplus from four outings, and £605 from private fundraising activities organised by Olive Gosling. No expenditure in relation to the Accessibility Project was incurred during 2024 giving an available balance of £34,543 as at 31st December 2024.

At 1st January 2024, the Building Renovation Fund stood at £6,973 and during 2024 the sum of £2,692 representing a legacy from the late M L Lee, plus 566 in donations has been added. No expenditure in relation to the Building Renovation Fund was incurred during 2024 giving an available balance of £10,230 as at 31st December 2024.

A Designated Account is held within the Church accounts for the Friends of St. Luke's. At 1st January 2024 a sum of £1,541 was being held. No income or expenditure has been seen within this fund during 2024 with the result that the balance in this fund as at 31st December 2024 remains at £1,541.

A similar arrangement exists for the Goostrey Bellringers Tower Fund. The balance in this fund as at 1st January 2024 was £355. During 2024, donations of £27 and £80 from wedding ringing fees has been added to the account. The Ringers' annual guild subscription of £84 has been paid out leaving a balance as at 31st December 2024 of £378.

Funds for the Goostrey Tots are also being held in a Designated Fund within the church accounts. Detailed income and costs records are being maintained by Nick Broad. The balance in this fund at 1st January 2024 was £1,204. During the year, £190 running expenses and £1,220 hire charges for the pavilion have been paid. Surplus subscription income of £792 plus £106 for the sale of raffle tickets at the coffee morning

has been added to the Fund, giving an available balance of £692 at the 31st December 2024.

During 2024, apart from small working cash balances held by the Treasurer, all available cash assets have been held on interest bearing deposit and as working funds on current account with H.S.B.C. Bank. The PCC is very grateful to all those who have contributed, in any way, to life here in St Luke's over the past year. Again, much of the maintenance of the building has been done by volunteers who deserve our gratitude for all they do.

A number of people are committed to regularly serving St Luke's, when they are free to do so – our bellringers, organists, choir members, sidespeople, Sunday morning refreshment team, flower arrangers and cleaners who volunteer their time and talent each Sunday and on other occasions – thank you everyone. Thank you to those in the Church family, especially David Mason, and in the village who volunteer help with maintenance of the building and Churchyard and to Ursula Harris for caring for our flower beds. Thanks again to all those involved with the Parish Magazine as mentioned in the Financial Review. Our thanks too to our Verger, Marilyn Lloyd, for her continuing commitment to St Luke's.

We are indeed very fortunate to have such dedicated support but our plans for the future, and our sustainability, need continuing and much wider support. We should welcome involvement from more members of the Church family and, indeed, from the wider village community. If you, or anyone you know, would like to help in any way, however small, please have a word with the Vicar or Wardens.

The PCC would also welcome more Church members joining its ranks to run and promote the work we do and new faces and ideas are always very welcome.

Again, we thank the members of our Church family for their steadfast loyalty, support and encouragement throughout the year. We are blest to have Christine as our Vicar and thank her for love and care, her wisdom and enthusiasm. A big thank you too to Nick Broad, not only for the support he gives to Christine and to St Luke's but also for organizing concerts, Goostrey Tots and the community coach trips. Between them, Christine and Nick are ensuring that St Luke's is at the heart of this community. Thank you both.

Approved by the PCC on Wednesday, March 19th 2025 and signed on its behalf by

Rev'd Canon Christine Broad (Vicar)

Dear Sir

I am writing to indicate my support for the bid being presented by Nick Broad on behalf of Goostrey Tots for a funding grant for Goostrey Tots. The Tots group benefits the community of Goostrey by providing a safe and suitable place for preschool aged children and their carers to gather in a mutually supportive environment with age appropriate activities for the children and refreshments for the children and adults. A grant would support the work and determination of the volunteers who run the group to maintain the highest possible quality of provision, for example by renewing worn equipment and toys.

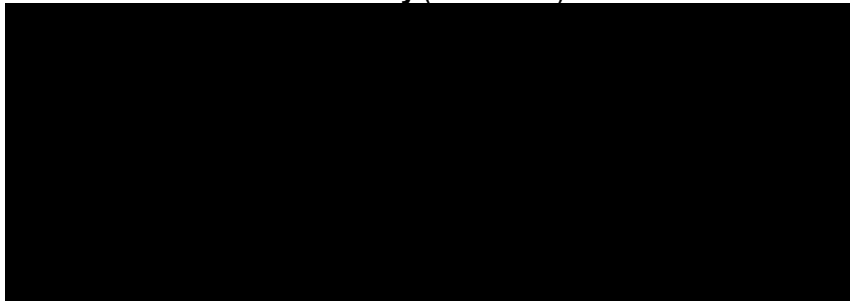
Thank you for your consideration of this application

kind regards

Christine

Revd Canon Christine Broad

Vicar of St Luke's Goostrey (*Part time*)



Goostrey Tots Constitution (July 2023)

1. Name

The name of the group will be Goostrey Tots

2. Aims

The aims of Goostrey Tots will be

- To enable babies and toddlers to enjoy contact with their peers
- To enable babies and toddlers to develop social and interaction skills
- To enable parents/carers to socialise and share with each other
- To provide a safe place for parents and toddlers to engage with the local community

3. Membership

There is no formal membership. The group is open to anyone responsible for the care of a child up to 4 years old.

4. Equal opportunities

Goostrey Tots will not discriminate in any way, specifically on the grounds of sex, race, sexual orientation, disability, gender reassignment, religious or political belief, and marital status or age.

5. Committee

The business of the group will be carried out by a group of volunteers.

Specific roles are as follows:

- Chair who will chair the meetings
- Minutes secretary who will be responsible for taking the minutes of meetings
- Record keeping secretary who will keep a record of attendance.
- Treasurer who will be responsible for maintaining accurate accounts
- Catering manager who will oversee the food and kitchen hygiene.

6. Meetings

6.1 Annual Meeting

There will be an annual meeting in the Summer each year. Each committee member with a specific role will present a report of the work of Goostrey Tots over the year.

6.2 Committee Meetings

The committee will meet at the start of each school term to review the previous term and plan for the next term.

7. Finances

Records of income and expenditure will be maintained by the treasurer. A financial statement will be provided at each committee meeting.

All money raised by or on behalf of Goostrey Tots will be used to further the aims of the group as specified in item 2 of this constitution.

The financial account will be ring-fenced within the accounts of St Luke's Church, Goostrey

8. Amendments to the constitution.

Any amendments to the constitution will be made at the annual meeting.

9. Dissolution

If at any point it is necessary to dissolve Goostrey Tots, all remaining money and assets, after outstanding debts have been paid, will be offered to donors funding the group or to a local charitable organisation. The organisation will be agreed at the meeting which agrees the dissolution.

This constitution was agreed at the Goostrey Tots committee meeting on:-

Date 27/6/23

Name and position in group Nick Broad Chairman Signed Nicholas Broad

Name and position in group Debs Hinson Treasurer Signed D. Hinson

ST LUKE'S CHURCH, GOOSTREY, PARISH SAFEGUARDING POLICY

Statement on the care of Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults.

This statement was agreed at the PCC meeting held on March 19th 2025

1. It will be read out to at least one PCC meeting each year, where progress in implementing it will be monitored. The Policy will be published on St Luke's website.
2. As members of this Church, we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially children, young people and vulnerable adults.
3. It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent the physical, sexual, emotional and spiritual abuse of children, young people and vulnerable adults and to report any abuse discovered or suspected.
4. We recognise that our work with children, young people and vulnerable adults is the responsibility of the whole Church.
5. Our Church is committed to supporting, resourcing and training those who work with children, young people and vulnerable adults and to providing supervision.
6. Our Church is committed to following the guidelines and procedures published by the Diocese.
7. The parish will adopt good practice guidelines.
8. Each person working with children, young people and vulnerable adults must know the guidelines and undertake to follow them. Each shall be given a copy of the Parish's agreed procedures and Good Practice guidelines.

As part of our commitment to children young people, and vulnerable adults the PCC has appointed **Dr Helen Ewens** to be the Parish Safeguarding Coordinator

- **Children, young people and vulnerable adults are an important part of our Church today.**
- **They have much to give as well as to receive**
- **We will listen to them**
- **As we nurture them in worship, learning, and in community life, we will respect the wishes and feelings of children, young people and vulnerable adults.**

Signed:-..... March 19th 2025 (Review date March 2026)

Rev'd Canon Christine Broad - Vicar

Item 16 Donation for New Defibrillator

The community defibrillators inside The Trading Post and outside the Boothbed Lane Sports Pavilion are monitored and maintained by volunteers who used to be part of the, now defunct, Holmes Chapel First Responders Group. These defibrillator models were taken out of production in 2019 and towards the end of 2026/2027 it will not be possible to order consumables from the manufacturer; delays in receiving these from the manufacturer are already occurring. To avoid potential gaps in cover it was recommended that newer models be purchased. One new defibrillator has already been purchased for the Sports Pavilion, using the funds remaining in the Holmes Chapel First Responders Group bank account but there are now insufficient funds available to purchase a second device. Volunteers carry out the required checks to ensure the devices are operational and also currently pay for the consumables for these defibrillators.

It should be noted that the Parish Council is already responsible for two defibrillators sited in the Village Hall and the telephone box on Main Road. This means that the council pays for any consumables i.e. pads and batteries and will have to replace the devices at some point in the future. At least one device is over ten years old. Volunteers carry out the required checks to ensure that the devices are operational.

The volunteers are asking whether the Parish Council to consider funding a new defibrillator for The Trading Post site at a cost of £875 plus VAT. As the First Responders group no longer exists, the council cannot award a grant, it could however decide to make a donation. The Parish Council could purchase the defibrillator and donate it to the volunteers and in this circumstance the VAT could be reclaimed by the council.

The volunteers have also suggested that it may not be necessary to replace this defibrillator as there are now three in the village, two of which are available at all times. The device in The Trading Post has never been used and in addition its opening hours are shorter than they have been previously. Instead of purchasing a new device, the council could consider allocating additional funds to the, already established, Defibrillator Supplies reserve to include a contribution towards the running costs of the defibrillator at the Sports Pavilion. There is currently just over £500 in this reserve. The new defibrillator model has a battery and pad life of up to five years and a replacement pads and batteries bundle currently costs £175 (ex. VAT).

The decision required is whether to donate a defibrillator to replace the device inside the Trading Post or, to earmark additional reserves to help cover the costs of the consumables required for the defibrillator at the Sports Pavilion.

Item 18 Seniors' Christmas Lunch 2025

Beech Tree Catering will be providing the Seniors' Christmas lunch again this year. The cost per head will be £28 for a three course meal (with a choice of two starters and three desserts) including coffee and mince pies to follow. This price is inclusive of white crockery, cutlery, table cloths, napkins, staff for serving and VAT.

Cost Comparison

2024 Cost per head was £27.50, £22 excluding VAT.

Ticket Price £12 per person.

48 people attended.

2025 Cost per head £28, £22.40 excluding VAT.

The committee has budget £980 in receipts and £1000 in payments for this event.

Sundry items are purchased by the Clerk to enhance the event such as Christmas Crackers, table decorations and live music.

Costs for music and table decorations in 2024 were £215.

The Amenities Committee recommends a ticket price of £14 for this year's event.

Item 19 National Joint Council for Local Government Services Pay Award

This pay award applies to the Clerk only and is for information only as this forms part of the Clerk's contract of employment.

Local government services pay agreement 2025/26

The National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC) has reached an agreement on rates of pay applicable from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026. We encourage employers to implement this pay award as soon as possible.

Backpay for employees who have left employment since 1 April 2025. If an ex-employee requests it, we recommend that employers pay any monies due to that employee from 1 April 2025 to the employee's last day of employment. The table below lists the new pay scales for clerks and other employees employed under the terms of the model contract, including SCPs 50 and above. These should be retrospectively applied from 1 April 2025.

Hourly rates have been calculated using the NJC-agreed formula: annual salary divided by 52.143 weeks (which is 365 days divided by 7) divided by 37 hours (the standard working week).

* Hourly rates

	1 April 2024		1 April 2025		Scale ranges
SCP	£ per annum	* £ per hour	£ per annum	* £ per hour	Based on SCP
2	£23,656	£12.26	£24,413	£12.65	Below LC Scale (for staff other than clerks)
3	£24,027	£12.45	£24,796	£12.85	Below LC Scale (for staff other than clerks)
4	£24,404	£12.65	£25,185	£13.05	Below LC Scale (for staff other than clerks)
5	£24,790	£12.85	£25,583	£13.26	Below LC Scale (for staff other than clerks)
5	£24,790	£12.85	£25,583	£13.26	LC1 (below substantive range)
6	£25,183	£13.05	£25,989	£13.47	LC1 (below substantive range)
7	£25,584	£13.26	£26,403	£13.69	LC1 (substantive benchmark range)
8	£25,992	£13.47	£26,824	£13.90	LC1 (substantive benchmark range)

9	£26,409	£13.69	£27,254	£14.13	LC1 (substantive benchmark range)
10	£26,835	£13.91	£27,694	£14.35	LC1 (substantive benchmark range)
11	£27,269	£14.13	£28,142	£14.59	LC1 (substantive benchmark range)
12	£27,711	£14.36	£28,598	£14.82	LC1 (substantive benchmark range)
13	£28,163	£14.60	£29,064	£15.06	LC1 (above substantive range)
14	£28,624	£14.84	£29,540	£15.31	LC1 (above substantive range)
15	£29,093	£15.08	£30,024	£15.56	LC1 (above substantive range)
16	£29,572	£15.33	£30,518	£15.82	LC1 (above substantive range)
17	£30,060	£15.58	£31,022	£16.08	LC1 (above substantive range)
18	£30,559	£15.84	£31,537	£16.35	LC2 (below substantive range)
19	£31,067	£16.10	£32,061	£16.62	LC2 (below substantive range)
20	£31,586	£16.37	£32,597	£16.90	LC2 (below substantive range)
21	£32,115	£16.65	£33,143	£17.18	LC2 (below substantive range)
22	£32,654	£16.93	£33,699	£17.47	LC2 (below substantive range)
23	£33,366	£17.29	£34,434	£17.85	LC2 (below substantive range)
24	£34,314	£17.79	£35,412	£18.35	LC2 (substantive benchmark range)
25	£35,235	£18.26	£36,363	£18.85	LC2 (substantive benchmark range)

26	£36,124	£18.72	£37,280	£19.32	LC2 (substantive benchmark range)
27	£37,035	£19.20	£38,220	£19.81	LC2 (substantive benchmark range)
28	£37,938	£19.66	£39,152	£20.29	LC2 (substantive benchmark range)
29	£38,626	£20.02	£39,862	£20.66	LC2 (above substantive benchmark range)
30	£39,513	£20.48	£40,777	£21.14	LC2 (above substantive benchmark range)
31	£40,476	£20.98	£41,771	£21.65	LC2 (above substantive benchmark range)
32	£41,511	£21.52	£42,839	£22.20	LC2 (above substantive benchmark range)
33	£42,708	£22.14	£44,075	£22.85	LC3 (below substantive range)
34	£43,693	£22.65	£45,091	£23.37	LC3 (below substantive range)
35	£44,711	£23.17	£46,142	£23.92	LC3 (below substantive range)
36	£45,718	£23.70	£47,181	£24.46	LC3 (below substantive range)
37	£46,731	£24.22	£48,226	£25.00	LC3 (substantive benchmark range)
38	£47,754	£24.75	£49,282	£25.54	LC3 (substantive benchmark range)
39	£48,710	£25.25	£50,269	£26.06	LC3 (substantive benchmark range)
40	£49,764	£25.79	£51,356	£26.62	LC3 (substantive benchmark range)
41	£50,788	£26.32	£52,413	£27.17	LC3 (substantive benchmark range)
42	£51,802	£26.85	£53,460	£27.71	LC3 (above substantive benchmark range)

43	£52,805	£27.37	£54,495	£28.25	LC3 (above substantive benchmark range)
44	£54,071	£28.03	£55,801	£28.92	LC3 (above substantive benchmark range)
45	£55,367	£28.70	£57,139	£29.62	LC3 (above substantive benchmark range)
46	£56,708	£29.39	£58,523	£30.33	LC4 (below substantive range)
47	£58,064	£30.10	£59,922	£31.06	LC4 (below substantive range)
48	£59,300	£30.74	£61,198	£31.72	LC4 (below substantive range)
49	£60,903	£31.57	£62,852	£32.58	LC4 (below substantive range)
50	£62,377	£32.33	£64,373	£33.37	LC4 (substantive benchmark range)
51	£63,881	£33.11	£65,925	£34.17	LC4 (substantive benchmark range)
52	£65,943	£34.18	£68,053	£35.27	LC4 (substantive benchmark range)
53	£68,000	£35.25	£70,176	£36.37	LC4 (substantive benchmark range)
54	£70,065	£36.32	£72,307	£37.48	LC4 (substantive benchmark range)
55	£72,145	£37.39	£74,454	£38.59	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)
56	£74,198	£38.46	£76,572	£39.69	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)
57	£76,277	£39.54	£78,718	£40.80	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)
58	£78,315	£40.59	£80,821	£41.89	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)
59	£80,247	£41.59	£82,815	£42.93	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)

60	£82,221	£42.62	£84,852	£43.98	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)
61	£84,243	£43.67	£86,939	£45.06	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)
62	£86,319	£44.74	£89,081	£46.17	LC4 (above substantive benchmark range)

Item 22 Calendar of Meetings 2026

Goostrey Parish Council Meetings for 2026

All PC meetings are on 4th Tuesday of the month, in the Village Hall Lounge, except for August when there is no meeting and December when the meeting is brought forward because of the Christmas holidays.

If a **Planning Committee** meeting is held, it will be on the same date and will start at 19:00 and finish before 19:30.

Tuesday 27 January 2026

19:30 – 22:00

Goostrey Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 24 February 2026

19:30 – 22:00

Goostrey Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 24 March 2026

19:30 – 22:00

Goostrey Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 28 April 2026

19:30 – 22:00

Goostrey Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 26 May 2026 – **Annual Meeting of the Parish Council**

19:30 – 22:00

Goostrey Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 23 June 2026

19:30 – 22:00

Goostrey Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 28 July 2026

19:30 – 22:00

Goostrey Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 22 September 2026

19:30 – 22:00

Goostrey Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 27 October 2026

19:30 – 22:00

Goostrey Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 24 November 2026

19:30 – 22:00

Goostrey Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 15 December 2026

19:30 – 22:00

Goostrey Parish Council Meeting

Annual Parish Meeting - Thursday 23 April 2026

The Finance Committee Meetings are held quarterly on the second Tuesday of the month unless this is not possible because of holiday periods.

Tuesday 13 January 2026
19:30 – 21:30

Tuesday 14 April 2026
19:30 – 21:30

Tuesday 14 July 2026
19:30 – 21:30

Tuesday 13 October 2026
19:30 – 21:30

Tuesday 3 November 2026 – Budget Meeting

Amenities Committee Meetings are held every two months

Wednesday 7 January 2026
19:30 – 21:30

Wednesday 4 March 2026
19:30 – 21:30

Wednesday 6 May 2026
19:30 – 21:30

Wednesday 1 July 2026
19:30 – 21:30

Wednesday 2 September 2026
19:30 – 21:30

Wednesday 21 October 2026 – Budget Meeting
19:30 – 21:30

Wednesday 4 November 2026
19:30 – 21:30

Village Hall Management Committee Meetings are held quarterly

Tuesday 10 March 2026
18:00 – 19:30

Tuesday 9 June 2026
18:00 – 19:30

Tuesday 8 September 2026
18:00 – 19:30

Tuesday 6 October 2026 – Budget Meeting
19:30 – 21.30

Tuesday 8 December 2026
18:00 – 19:30

Staff Committee only meets when required