

GATEFORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF GATEFORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting of Gateforth Parish Council was held on Wednesday 10th July 2019 at 19:30 in Chapel Haddlesey Community Church Hall

17254. Attendance/Welcome: Present: Cllrs Diane Osborne (Chair), Caroline Shaw, Richard Longbottom, Tony Parkin, Lynn Sherratt; Jeremy Sherlock – Parish Clerk

17255. Apologies – None

17256. Declarations and Dispensations – Cllr Osborne declared an interest in item 17263.

17257. Minutes

a. **RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the Council meeting held on 15th May 2019**

b. **Chair signed** minutes as accepted.

17258. Public comments – none.

17259. Reports – none. A query was raised regarding signing up for police information and alerts. The Clerk agreed to check and advise Councillors.

17260. Planning

a. Planning enforcement

2018/0681/FULM – Retrospective application for replacement of four fossil fuel boilers with biomass boilers, the addition of one additional biomass boiler, the drying of biomass on an existing drying floor, the improvement of a hardstanding area, the creation of a soil heap “bund” along the northern boundary and the change of use of existing buildings containing the 5 biomass boilers and chimneys and drying floor as well as the external hardstanding area and external extractor vents, weighbridge and creation of a new access road at Viner Station, Roe Lane, Birkin

A planning enforcement notice had been served on 12th April 2019 by Selby DC. An appeal has been logged, and Selby DC are waiting for the appeal start letter from the Planning Inspectorate. The level of activity from this site has reduced since the planning refusal.

17261. Finance

a. Finance Report from the Clerk

Capital balance – the Clerk has further reviewed the Council’s Capital balance checking records back to 1999. This has identified a balance of £34,986.97 which will now be used going forward. The only outstanding capital commitments are the Litter Bin (£183.91) and land registration legal fees.

Budget

A revised budget has been prepared to allow for the revised Capital Calculation, additional VAT recovery and actual interest received. The reserve has been amended to 25% of precept, leaving unallocated funds of £1,178.

BUDGET 2019-20	Budget 2019-20	Budget 2019-20 revised		Budget 2019-20	Budget 2019-20 revised
Income			Expenditure		
Carry forward	£11,900	£4,441	Revenue		
Precept	£5,500	£5,500	Reserve	£1,500	£1,375
Wayleave	£44	£44	Staffing	£2,142	£2,142
VAT recovery	£600	£1,200	Maintenance	£2,650	£2,650
Interest	£300	£260	Administration	£1,100	£1,100
			Projects	£1,000	£1,000
			Events	£2,000	£2,000
	£18,344	£11,445	Unallocated Funds	£7,952	£1,178
				£18,344	£11,445

Resolved that the revised 2019-20 budget be approved.

Balances

The Council's financial balance at 13th May is as follows:

Account Balance	£40,473.91
Capital	£34,986.97
General Fund	£5,486.94

The Clerk reported that there may be a requirement to withdraw some funds from the Savings Account prior to receipt of the next precept payment, though will only do this if necessary.

A copy of the latest Accounts and a Bank Reconciliation has been circulated electronically.

Resolved that this report be noted

b. Payments

Neil Cawthorne	Materials	£571.80
John S Dalby	Machinery	£302.40
Charles Shaw	Grass Cutting	£672.00
Chapel Haddlesey PCC	Room Hire	£11.25
Came and Company	Insurance	£168.00
J Sherlock	Salary	£129.70
HMRC	Tax	£83.80
Autela	Payroll	£39.23
John Hill Associates	Map	£762.00
Tiger Print	Printing	£36.00
Viking	Stationery	£75.74
M J Backhouse	Moles	£37.01

J Sherlock

Salary

£129.90

c. Receipts

Skipton Building Society Interest £259.79

17262. Council Vacancies.

An Expression of Interest had been received from Andrew Collier. He was unable to attend this meeting as he is on holiday. Councillors welcomed the interest, but felt they should meet with him before he is formally co-opted.

Resolved that Mr Collier be invited to the next meeting to consider co-option.

Cllr Osborne left the Chair and did not participate or vote on the following item. Cllr Shaw in the Chair.

17263. Request for Mains Drainage Connections to Poplar Farm, Ashford Grange, & Foxton Lodge – the Clerk had been contacted by a representative of the above owners to advise that their current drainage system was failing and they wished to install a pipeline across The Green to access the main sewers. The issue was urgent as the current system was in danger of overflowing. Similar arrangements have been agreed in the past. In view of the urgency the Clerk, following consultation with Councillors, approved the request on the basis that The Green is restored to the Council's satisfaction, that the owners accept liability, and that a wayleave is put in place (at the owners' expense).

Resolved that the Council approve the Clerk action to approve the request for a Mains Drainage Connection to Polar Farm, Ashford Grange and Foxton Lodge on the basis that The Green is restored to the Council's satisfaction, that the owners accept liability, and that a wayleave is put in place (at the owners' expense).

Cllr Osborne returned to the Chair

17264. Rose Cottage – the Deed of Covenant has been signed by the property owners and was countersigned by Councillors. It will now be sent to the Solicitor form adding to the Land Registry records. The owners had reiterated their concerns that the area of Grass Guard was too small. It was agreed to monitor the situation and consider further in the future.

17265. Highway Paths, Hillam Road and Church Lane – there had been paths in both these locations in the past which have been lost overtime. The Clerk will investigate and liaise with North Yorkshire CC as appropriate.

17266. Litter Pick – it was agreed to hold the next Litter Pick on the weekend of 7th/ 8th September. The equipment promised by Selby DC has not yet arrived. The Clerk will chase.

17267. Correspondence Received – Selby DC are undertaking a consultation regarding Polling Stations. The current situation is seen as satisfactory providing the owner is happy for it to continue.

17268. Minor items – Landing Lane has been repaired following the Clerk's request. Moles have been reported on the Green. The Clerk advised that this will be addressed by Backhouse on their next visit. The footbridge off Hillam Road has not yet been repaired. The Clerk will contact NYCC. A query was raised regarding text/ email updates from the Police. The Clerk will check and report back.

17269. Next Agenda – CCTV, Police updates

17270. Next meeting – Wednesday 14th November 2019 at 7:30 pm at Chapel Haddlesey Community Hall

Signed:

D Osborne, Chairman, Gateforth Parish Council.

Date: