

Gawcott with Lenborough Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Gawcott with Lenborough Parish Council held on Thursday 11th January 2024 at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors Mr A White (Chairman), Mrs R Bate, Mrs S Burgess, Mr T Ulph, Mr T Dugher & Mrs J Tofield

Also present: Pam Molloy (Clerk), Buckinghamshire Councillor Mr Fealey

Period of Public Participation - None

111. To receive updates from Buckinghamshire Councillors:

Councillor Fealey advised the following:

- Main Street pump – Buckinghamshire Council can't source a supplier to supply and maintain the pump.
- Flooding – New Inn Lane has been fine since the works carried out and the Main Street gullies cleared. However, there is a problem with run-off from the playing field, because the drainage outfall beneath Lenborough Road is only 100mm in diameter. Councillor Fealey is investigating.
- 5 year housing plan was discussed following Michael Gove's announcement.
- Trying to get developers to build quicker and to include affordable housing.
- London Road site being reviewed.
- Lenborough Farm Barns application was discussed.
- Budgets being reviewed, 2.99% increase in the basic rate of council tax and 2% rise in the adult social care precept, yet to be approved.
- Planning – If decision not made in time, the applicant's fee to be refunded.
- Brown bin – New system in place.

Councillor Stuchbury sent through a report.

112. Apologies – Councillors: Mr Gibbs, Buckinghamshire Councillors Ms Cornell & Mr Stuchbury.

113. Declarations of Interest - None

114. Minutes

Council resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on the 14th December, ref: GwLPC/09/23-24.

115. Finance

115.1. Balance of accounts as at 31st December:

- Business Account x2092 - £1,037.33
- Playing Field Account x2967 – £1,689.81
- Deposit Account x5984 - £42,244.04

115.2. Council resolved to make the following payments;

- P Molloy: £488.18 – December net salary and expenses. Online payment.
- HMRC: £19.80 – PAYE Molloy for December. Cheque 001356
- K Richards: £120 – Pavilion cleaning for December. Online payment.
- EON: £456.57 – Pavilion electricity for December. Online payment.
- A White: £79.79 – Printer ink. Online payment.
- SLCC: £91.50 – 50% of annual membership fee. Cheque 001357.

- 115.3. Council noted payments made by direct debit or standing order:
- A R G Hall: £130 – Securing playing field gate for December.
 - Perceptive Creation: £30 – Managing & hosting website for December.
 - Buckinghamshire Council: £26.05 – Waste collection from pavilion for December.
- 115.4. Council noted the following income received in December: £47.73 bank interest, £53.11 NS&I account interest and £405 all weather pitch fees.
- 115.5. Council resolved the payments and receipts summaries as at 31/12/23.
- 115.6. Council noted precept for 2024-25 has been confirmed. Councillor White to draft article for the newsletter.

116. Planning

- 116.1. Council reviewed and resolved the following applications:
- 23/04010/ADP - Submission of details of all matters reserved pursuant to outline planning permission 15/01242/AOP (Application for Outline Planning Permission with access to provide Allotments, Cemetery, Associated Buildings, Landscaping, New Vehicular and Pedestrian Access, Engineering (including Ground Modelling) Works, Infrastructure Works (including Drainage Works and Utilities Provision), Demolition, Car Parking and Lighting) - Land South of The A421, Tingewick Road, Buckingham. Council resolved to support subject to the reservation of land for A421 improvements.
- 116.2. Council noted applications awaiting consideration:
- 22/02689/ADP – Erection of 121 dwellings along with landscaping, garages, roads and all ancillary works (Phase 1) following outline permission ref: 19/00148/AOP – Land at Osier Way, Osier Way, Buckingham
 - 23/03222/CPE – Certificate of Lawfulness for existing use for the continuation of unrestricted use class B2 activities – Green Haven, Main Street.
 - 23/03455/APP – Householder application for erection of fence and removal of parking space (retrospective) – 11 Gilbert Scott Gardens.
 - 23/03301/APP - Change of use of land for the stationing of caravans for residential purposes, hardstanding and dayrooms ancillary to that use - Land Adjacent Radclive Road, Gawcott. New planning notice being issued on the 15/1/24 – Councillors to check if notice stays in place.
- 116.3. Council noted decisions made by Buckinghamshire Council since the last meeting:
- 23/03290/APP - Householder application for two storey rear and two part single storey side extensions - 1 Manor Farm Cottages. APPROVED
 - 23/02485/APP – Redevelopment of existing barn complex to form 1 No. residential dwelling (retrospective) – Lenborough Farm Barns. APPROVED
- 116.4. Other planning issues:
- Buckingham Neighbourhood Plan – No further update.
 - Grendon Prison Appeal decision awaited – No further update.
 - Travellers, Radclive Road & Preston Road – Radclive Road site, see 116.2.

117. Highways

- 117.1. HS2 Road Safety Fund – Await date for when works will be carried out.
- 117.2. HS2 traffic – It was noted that there was a high number of HGVs at present. HS2s latest update has been circulated.
- 117.3. Radclive Road speed limit reduction – Councillor White to follow up.
- 117.4. Highways and lighting – Advised street lights due to be repaired in January, clerk chasing and await an update.

- 117.5. Traffic data – Councillor Bate will circulate.
- 117.6. Speed signs – Funding application submitted. Section 171 Licence to be submitted. Hope to receive a decision this month regarding funding.
- 117.7. Devolved services for verge mowing was discussed. Council resolved to register an expression of interest. Clerk to circulate schedule of works and to be added to next months agenda for review.

118. Maintenance and Environment issues

- 118.1. Drainage improvements in Main Street. Phase 1 works – Buckinghamshire Council can't source a supplier to supply and maintain the pump.
- 118.2. Residents Flood Response Group – Funding application approved and Council resolved the award letters terms and conditions. Insurance discussed. Clerk to contact group following recent bad weather.
- 118.3. Hodding Wood – Clerk to look into Community Ownership Fund.

119. Pavilion, playing fields and play area

- 119.1. Pavilion refurbishment works – Funding application submitted 20/12/23. Council resolved cost of new bin liner at £73.72 plus £12.50 delivery plus VAT.
- 119.2. Football club – Clerk to email regarding proposed works and to request that the changing rooms are cleared.
- 119.3. Cricket club – Have offered to carry out the decoration works, Council to pay for materials – Council resolved.
- 119.4. Play Area – Clerk to prepare list of works to be carried out.
- 119.5. Main field – tree has come down, doesn't affect use of pitches.
- 119.6. Caretaker – No further update.
- 119.7. Playing field – Issue with flooding/drainage. Discussed with Councillor Fealey, drainage in road needs to be increased.

120. Other Parish Council Business

- 120.1. Defibrillator at the Chapel – Await agreement.
- 120.2. Gawcott Newsletter – Content needed by 24/1/24. Councillor Tofield to prepare content.
- 120.3. Website – Further updates carried out.
- 120.4. BMKALC model template and notes Biodiversity Policies – Council discussed, possible options: Hodding Wood – bird/bat boxes and at playing fields – area for wild flowers.

121. Community

- Village Hall – Pre-school now staying until Easter. Six new trustees appointed, now have eleven in total.
- Solar Farm – Currently doing work with schools. Earth Energy Education programme with four schools. Councillor Ulph to arrange for ditches to be checked as water was flowing from the field onto Buckingham Road.
- Community Group – Father Christmas collection, Gawcott received £290. Councillors wished to pass on their thanks. Group need more volunteers.

122. Meetings, Events and Training

- Community Boards Meeting – 8/2/24
- Parish Liaison Meeting – 24/1/24, 24/4/24 & 10/7/24
- NBPPC – 10/1/24

- Training: Clerk attending Website Accessibility and Councillor Bate attending Planning Matters.

123. Dates of next meetings – Council resolved:

8th February, 14th March, 18th April, 16th May, 13th June, 11th July, 8th August (tbc),
12th September, 10th October, 14th November & 12th December.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm

Signed.....Chairman / Date.....