

Gotherington Parish Council Minutes. April 2024 The Rex Rhodes Building on Tuesday 14th May 2024 at 7pm.

PUBLIC SESSION:

6 Residents in attendance.

RESIDENT 1 made the following points:

1. He had found a plaque on the floor and returned to the council. Council agreed that the plaque needs to be placed in a higher location to avoid this from happening. Cllr Meller to follow up.
2. He showed a letter that he has sent to David Norman regarding road issues between GPC and BCPC. Chair read email to council and advised that local county council was aware on the ongoing issue. Chair agreed she would report to Fix My Street.
3. He also mentioned that he has been putting the blue bins out. GN have said they are unable to do so. Chair to speak to GN.

GET TEAM made a request for parking permission on freeman field along the farm side fence during the summer fete 15/06/24. Chair explained about long standing issues with water log areas on the field and that it would be weather depending near the time. Council agreed that if following inspection, stall holder could park on the field if not water logged. *2nd option would be Lawrences Meadow on the left-hand side.

(1) To receive apologies from absent Councillors.
 Cllr McLarnon sends his apologies.

(2) To receive declarations of interest for items on the agenda below.
 None.

(3) To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on Tuesday 9th April 2024.
 Minutes approved and signed.

(4) To receive reports from Borough Councillors and County Councillors.
 Report Read.

(5) To receive reports from parish councillors on external meetings attended.
 Cllr Meller reports that she has been in contact with the Churchill family. Mr Churchill has been given access to the minutes, but he is asking for any additional clerk reports. Council confirmed all documents available have already been given to him.

PROJECTS

1- GET: request to move pole on Shutter Island.
 Council confirmed pole cannot be moved. GET Team discussed a plan to install brick-built planters. Council confirmed any permanent structure might require permission from the Highways Authority. Chair confirmed that if GET can confirm their plan, she is happy to speak to Highways. GET also reported that local resident is not happy with location of dog bin.

2- Update on AGO6/AGO12 junction.
 Cllr Meller reported that the Ramblers association are in discussion with Hilray Grace. Cllr Dean to look at boundary maps from Firstport. He will also ask residents for any information they hold.

3- Defibrillator: Update of on adoption by emergency services and training. Emergency Services currently dealing with a technical issue and not able to adopt at present. Cllr Neighbour to contact CHT about guarantee information.
4- War Memorial: Any reports from the last month. Project team applied for grant funding however this not feasible. Cllr Meller confirmed the Conservation architect invoice is due to be paid. Clerk confirmed payment will be made once invoice received.
5- Moat Farm ball netting: update on options and costs for replacement. Ongoing.
6- Condition of pavement Update on progress. Chair reported no progress has been made as volunteers needed to help.
7- To agree the Public Rights of Way maintenance schedule and contractor for 2024: Draft letter to be approved. Cllr Meller showed map of footpaths that need to be maintained. Council agreed to use this information to develop a tender. Two resident that attended agreed to take action and trim the footpaths. Chair to speak to land owner of AGO09 to discuss maintenance. Chair to send letter to the residents with overhanging vegetation.
8- Car park: update regarding quotes for repair work to carpark. NGB unable to attend. Ongoing.
9- Meadow development issues: Monthly report from Jon Jones. No monthly reports sent to Chair. Simon sent email to say traffic issue are recurring. Chair to send email to Jon Jones.
10- Self-Watering Planters: letters to neighbouring residents to seek adoption and maintenance. Chair to deliver letters.
11- Flooding on Manor Lane and Gretton road. Updates on progress. Any new logs submitted. Work to be done 28th May 2024. Cllr Neighbour to contact County Highways regarding ongoing issues in a number of places in Gotherington.
12- Condition of footpath to Woolstone AGO9? Responsibility of Woolstone meeting? Chair to contact Jenny Lockwood and arrange a meeting.
13- Pétanque Club Bench: update on progress. Ongoing.
14- New noticeboard by school: Examples and costings for new noticeboard. update from councillor Meller. Decision on location of the board to be decided. Chair asked the 5 residents that attended to give feedback to council on the location discussed.
15- Rear of RRB Cleanup. Update regarding skip hire - dates tbc. Council discussed action plan to move forward with the clean-up. Council will arrange for GPC items to be removed. Salt, Bars to be removed and disposed. Any items that are stored will be relocation during clear out. Howard offered to speak to GN about the toys and nursery items that need to be removed.
16- Community Orchard Funding Event: Progress report. Council agreed that 5 trees are suitable for the parish. Possible locations Lawrences Meadow and The Grange. Cllr Dean to speak to Firstport about The Grange.
17- Playing field - Discuss drainage issues and missing manhole. Cllr Meller sent an email with a quote for a survey to be carried out on the field. Council needs to decide if the quote will carry out the requirements needed. Ongoing.
18- New councillors – Advertising. 3 Potential new Councillors have contacted the Chair. Chair to arrange a meeting to discuss roles with them. Ongoing.
19- Play Safe report - Discuss the report and arrange any repairs that are required. Report Showed that a new sleeper is needed for the slide on the play area. Council agreed for sleeper to be replaced.
20- Request from resident for memorial bench. - Discuss. Chair has spoken with Family and provided information with regards to the process and upkeeping of installing a bench. Ongoing.

Finance

To agree previously circulated invoices and expenditure.

Clerk's hours: 6 extra hours for April. **Approved**

Yearly insurance renewal the premium (including IPT and all fees) for the year will be: £1,592.84.
Approved

Annual GAPTC subscription £308.06. **Approved**

Cleaners invoice: £216. **Approved**

Defib Invoice £52.00. **Approved**

Play safe Invoice £160.80. **Approved**

Planning

24/00304/FUL | Retrospective application for the erection of a two-storey front extension. | Gothic House
 Long furlong Lane Gotherington Cheltenham Gloucestershire GL52 9HA – **No Objection**

24/00309/FUL | Single storey front extension. | 92 Malleson Road Gotherington Cheltenham
 Gloucestershire GL52 9EY – **No Objection.**