

GOOSNARGH PARISH COUNCIL

A **MEETING** of Goosnargh Parish Council was held on **Monday, 22nd July 2024** at Whitechapel Village Hall at 7.30pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Cllr Mick Scambler– Chairman
Cllr Steve Pike
Cllr Bil Platt
Cllr Mark Robinson
Cllr John Singleton

PUBLIC

PCSOs 7774 and Jordan Johnson
Preston City Cllr Daniel Guise
Helen Witter - Neighbourhood Watch
2 residents
Mrs Julie Buttle (Parish Clerk)

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Parish Cllrs Rob Hayton and Andrew Butler – after the meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Mark Robinson declared a personal interest in planning application **06/2024/0663** at Manor House Farm on Button Street.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

24/25 MIN 22 It was **resolved** that the June Council Minutes be signed as a true record.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION INCLUDING POLICE MATTERS

24/25 MIN 23 It was **resolved** that the meeting be adjourned for public participation.

Helen Witter (NHW) thanked the Council for replacing the verge markers on the Village Green but stated that LCC had not repaired the kerbstone satisfactorily and the verge was still a mess. See MIN 26 for the action to be taken.

Drains had been cleared at on Silk Mill Lane but Button Street is still flooding. See MIN 31 for the action to be taken.

Helen explained that litter was a problem again and she will contact the City Council who have previously advised that they can only collect on the 60mph roads if traffic calming is in place.

It was stated that speed limits on the rural roads outside the villages should be lower. It was confirmed that this has been raised with LCC previously and it is hoped that the data captured by the Speed Indicator Devices will illustrate the extent of the speeding issues.

The police advised that the number of police incidents was low. 3 anti-social behaviour incidents - of which 2 related to juvenile noise nuisance – 6 crimes relating to personal issues and 2 road traffic collisions with no injuries.

Attendees raised concerns that cars were racing around Beacon Fell. The police will follow this up with the rural crime team.

City Councillor Daniel Guise introduced himself as the newly elected Lib Dem City Councillor for the area who will work alongside his 2 Conservative colleagues. Unfortunately, Goosnargh meetings will sometimes clash with his work commitments at Penwortham Town Council however, he will continue to keep abreast with issues through the Minutes and Agenda and if necessary, will try to arrange for a colleague to attend on his behalf.

It was **resolved** that the meeting be reconvened.

SPEED HUMPS AND JUNCTION TABLE – GOOSNARGH LANE

Members considered the proposed speed cushions and Chingle Hall / Goosnargh Lane junction table which are to be installed as a condition of the planning consent.

24/25 MIN 24 It was **resolved** that the Clerk question if the humps are really necessary as the road is 20mph. There was also a concern that the humps will reduce parking outside properties which is an issue at school times.

SPEED INDICATOR DEVICES

Members noted that LCC engineers have approved the SPID locations.

24/25 MIN 25 Members **resolved** to approve a consultation to be issued to properties around Whitechapel village green. Thanks were expressed to Helen Witter for offering to deliver the consultation which will have a closing date of 23rd August 2024.

DAMAGED KERB– INGLEWHITE VILLAGE GREEN

It was noted that LCC advised that the damaged kerb stone will be repaired by the 26th July so the repair to date, may be temporary. The Clerk will check the final quality of the work.

Members stated that additional concrete on the verge will 'encourage' drivers to clip the corner resulting in more grass being damaged.

24/25 MIN 26 Members **resolved** to take it upon themselves to add some soil and grass seed to the damaged area.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1st – 30th June 2024

The Chairman verified that the bank statements and accounts had been reconciled.

REVIEW OF 1st QUARTER ACCOUNTS

Members considered the 1st quarter statement which compares the budget with the actual expenditure between April and June and noted that the external auditor has granted an Exemption Certificate for the 2023/24 accounts.

24/25 MIN 27 Members **resolved** to vire the external auditor's fee to the unbudgeted HMRC fee and approved the quarterly statement.

2024/25 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AND RECEIPTS

Members **noted** the following receipts - a £300 donation from NW Rally and a grant of £500 from LCC towards the PROW work and £300 for a biodiversity project.

24/25 MIN 28 Members **resolved** to note and approve the following invoice already paid in accordance with Standing Order 2023 15 (xii)

June Grounds Maintenance	Nurture	£288.00	Ref 13
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24/25 MIN 29 Members **resolved** to approve the following accounts for payment

Clerk Salary July	J Buttle	£289.01	BACs
PAYE	HMRC	£72.20	BACs
Stationery	Staples	£68.39	BACs
Mileage (Apr – Jun)	J Buttle	£54.00	BACs
Home Allowance (Apr – Jun)	J Buttle	£97.50	BACs

PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

24/25 MIN 30 Members **resolved** they had no comments / objections on the following planning applications

[06/2024/0405](#) agricultural land to dog field on land off Broadith Lane / Ford Lane, Goosnargh

[06/2024/0620](#) agricultural concrete slurry tank with canopy west of Church Lane, Whitechapel

[06/2024/0663](#) variation of plans at Manor House Farm, Button Street,

PARISH MATTERS OF CONCERN TO MEMBERS

United Utilities have checked the water situation at Little Brooks and have stated that it is not due to a water leak. Concerns were expressed that the drain under the bridge may be damaged. **MIN 24/25.31** It was **resolved** that the Clerk refer the matter back to LCC.

A further drainage report will also be logged for the Stoney Lane / Loud bridge junction.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday **22nd Sept 2024 at 7.30pm** in Whitechapel Village Hall.