

GESTINGTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 9th. May 2024 at 8.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs D. Smith (Chair), P. Bagby, G. Carey, A. Cooper, P. Collett, BDC Cllr D. Holland, Mr. Leslie Crumpton-Taylor (Internal Auditor) and Kevin B. Money (Parish Clerk).

There were 0 members of the public present.

055/2024 Chairman welcome

056/2024 **Apologies for Absence** were received from ECC Cllr P. Schwier and Cllr D. Green

057/2024 Declaration of Interest

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the agenda

None Declared

058/2024 To approve the Minutes of the last meeting of Gestingthorpe Parish Council

To receive and agree the minutes of the GPC meeting held on 14th. March 2024. **All Agreed**

059/2024 Chairman's report and any update since last meeting

a) **Update on Councillor vacancy** No residents have applied for the vacancy

All Trees have been planted and have taken with plaques being erected in due course

060/2024 Planning Applications

24/00597/FUL - Newhouse Farm Little Maplestead Road CO9 3AS

Proposed detached single storey outbuilding.

Due to planning deadlines the following response was sent to BDC on 19.04.24

GPC object to the current planning application as it stands and would make the following comments

1. The proposed site of the new storage building is in a very prominent position on the bend on Little Maplestead Road and is very close to the boundary and road. We would suggest reconsideration of the location of the proposed building. The building also seems to be very large for storage of gardening equipment.
2. The design, heritage and access statement should be more detailed to cover the visual impact of the store including 3D visuals of the proposals etc.
3. There are no dimensions on the drawings only a linear scale. These should be added and proposed materials should be added
4. We would prefer the cladding to be timber boarding, if possible, which is more in character with other buildings in the area.
5. We would suggest that the cladding colour to be black which is in keeping with the other traditional buildings in the area.
6. We would suggest that there is a condition added to restrict the use of the building to be domestic equipment storage and to exclude commercial use
7. Access to the site / grounds to the house etc needs clarification. There appears to be two accesses and probably needs to be regularised
8. We look forward to receiving further information in due course.

061/2024 **Decision/s made by BDC on planning applications.** No decisions have been made by BDC

062/2024 Finance

a) To receive the Bank reconciliations as at 30th. April 2024

Councillors noted the Bank reconciliations as at 30th. April 2024

b) To receive the comparison of Actual to Budget for 2024/25

Councillors noted the comparison of Actual to Budget for 2024/25

c) To approve the payment of Accounts for April & May 2024 and to agree a transfer of funds to meet the Parish Councils financial requirements. **All Agreed**

063/2024 2023-2024 Annual Return

1) To receive the 2023/2024 signed Internal Audit Report

Councillors noted the 2023/2024 signed Internal Audit Report

2) To receive and sign the Certificate of Exemption – AGAR 2023/2024 part 2

Cllr D. Smith proposed signing the Certificate of Exemption. Cllr A. Cooper seconded. **All Agreed**

The Chair and RFO then signed the Certificate of Exemption

3) To receive and sign the Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2023/2024

Cllr D. Smith proposed signing Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2023/2024. Cllr A. Cooper

seconded. **All Agreed.** The Chair and Clerk then signed Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2023/2024

4) To receive and sign the Section 2 - Accounting Statements 2023/2024

Cllr D. Smith proposed signing Section 2 - Accounting Statements 2023/2024. Cllr A. Cooper seconded.

All Agreed. The Chair and RFO then signed Section 2 - Accounting Statements 2023/2024

Cllr. D. Smith proposed Mr. Leslie Crumpton-Taylor to act as Internal Auditor for 2024/2025. Cllr A. Cooper seconded. **All Agreed**

064/2024 Items for Next Agenda

Appointments and Employment committee (including Education Charity)

Trees on recreation ground: Wish list for the future: Speed watch update

065/2024 Date of next meeting is on Thursday 11th. July 2024 at 7pm

FUTURE meetings in 2024: 12.09.24: 14.11.24

066/2024 Closure of the Meeting

To close the Meeting having considered and determined all items of business.

The Chairman then closed the meeting at 8.10pm and thanked everyone for attending

Signed

D Smith

**Chairman
D. Smith**

5th. September 2024