

**MINUTES**  
**14.02.2023**  
**GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at Godshill Village Hall at 7.30 pm.**

Present:

Cllr Fell – Chairman

Cllr Atwill

Cllr Cakebread

Cllr Stammers

Mrs Bev Cornish – Clerk

One member of the public

**Public Question Time:**

A member of the public asked whether there was any progress on the signs for footpaths. She also raised the issue of leaf blowers and low-level lighting at Sandy Balls and whether these matters could be raised at the forthcoming meeting the Parish Council has arranged with the new General Manager at Sandy Balls.

**120.22 Business Raised During Public Question Time**

Cllr Fell advised the member of the public that the Clerk would chase the Countryside Access team for more signs for the footpaths. He also advised that he would raise the matter of leaf blowers and lighting at the meeting with Sandy Balls and if the member of the public had any further concerns, they could raise these with the Council.

**121.22 Apologies**

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was RESOLVED that the apology received from Cllr Peter Woodward be approved due to a holiday commitment.

**122.22 Declarations of Interest:**

- a. To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers:**

Cllr Atwill declared a personal and pecuniary interest in Planning application No 22/00695 for the report from the Clerk.

- b. To consider any Dispensation Requests received by the Parish Clerk and not previously considered:**

The Clerk confirmed that she had received no dispensation requests.

**123.22 Minutes**

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Atwill seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023 be approved and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

**124.22 Clerk's Report**

Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and RESOLVED to note the Clerk's Report providing information on recent issues and work completed.

**58.20: British Telecommunications plc EIR Request:** No response has been received from BT regarding the number of visits for repairs to DSLAM Cabinet outside Godshill Village Hall, SP6 2LH.

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**Defibrillator Training:** The Clerk will book the training.

**65.22 Platinum Jubilee Tree:** Awaiting permission from Verderers and Forestry England.

**125.22 Scottish & Southern Electricity Networks - Free Priority Service Register:** The Clerk was awaiting confirmation of when a meeting will be held but she has asked for an afternoon on a weekday.

**98.22 Pinch Points:** Still awaiting guidance from Edward Heron.

**Public Question Time January meeting:** Cllr Woodward had been liaising with the member of the public who raised the matter of the data for the Speed Indicator Devices.

**Internal Half Year Audit:** The Internal Auditor had completed the half year audit and had raised no issues.

**126.22 Planning and Tree Work Applications:**

**Planning Application No 22/00986/FULL**

**Bracken Cottage, Blissford Road, Blissford - Outbuilding; re-profiling of gravel driveway and parking area; terrace (demolition of 1no existing outbuilding):** Following a brief report from Cllr Atwill on a number of queries she wished to raise with the planning officer about the application, she proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was RESOLVED that the application be deferred to the next meeting.

**Tree Works Application No. 23/00157CONS**

**Land at Brunel Purlieu, Purlieu Lane, Godshill – Prune/deadwood 1 x group of mixed tree species – predominantly Oak:** Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Atwill seconded and it was RESOLVED that a decision on this application be left to the Tree Officer.

**127.22 National Planning Policy Framework**

Following a discussion, Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was RESOLVED that a detailed response to the 58 questions on the consultation be delegated to Cllr Atwill and the Clerk.

**128.22 Finance and Policy:**

**a. Payments**

Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the following payments be approved:

£195.00 Fair Account - Half Year Internal Audit

£216.00 Godshill Village Hall – Hall hire for January to December 2023

**b. To resolve to approve the sum of £784.02 as the Accounts for payment for February.**

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Woodward seconded and it was RESOLVED that the sum of £934.54 be approved as the Accounts for payment for January.

Fair Account - Half Year Internal Audit	195.00
Godshill Village Hall – Hall hire	216.00
B Cornish - February salary	373.02

**c. To resolve to approve the Bank balances - Cheque and Reserve Accounts.**

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Stammers seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Bank balances be approved and noted:

Current Account: £10,831.69 Deposit Account: £618.57

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**129.22 Outside Bodies and Representation:**

**NFNPA Planning Committee:** The Clerk gave a detailed report on the recent meeting of the NFNPA Planning Committee at which planning application No 22/00695 for Paysanne, Godshill Wood was considered and deferred until after the outcome of the Judicial Review had been received. She said that she had been significantly concerned about the way in which the officer giving the advice to councillors at the meeting (the Executive Director for Strategy and Planning) as she believed he had misrepresented a number of the facts relating to the application and had incorrectly stated the motives of the objectors to it who had no right of reply.

**National Forest Association of Local Councils (NFALC):** Cllr Fell advised that due to a work commitment he was unable to attend recent meeting.

**130.22 Correspondence**

Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the following items of correspondence be noted:

1. Email from a resident regarding the broken post for the two-way gate in Purlieu Lane.
2. Email from NFDC regarding guidance for Clerks on the upcoming elections.

**131.22 Any Other Business:**

Agenda request items were received for replacement batteries for the speed indicator devices and defibrillator and for a letter of complaint to be sent to the Chief Executive of the NPA regarding the recent Planning Committee meetings.

**132.22 Next Meeting**

Cllr Fell confirmed the date of the next meeting as Tuesday 14th March 2023 to be held at Godshill Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

With no other business, the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

*Members of the Council considered the foregoing in the matters in consideration of their duties: Equal Opportunities, (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability); Crime & Disorder, Health & Safety, and Human Rights.*