

Gawcott with Lenborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Gawcott with Lenborough Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 10th October 2024 at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors Mr A White (Chairman), Mr T Ulph, Mr T Dugher, Mrs S Burgess, Mrs R Bate and Mr R Gibbs
Also present: P Molloy (Clerk), Buckinghamshire Councillor P Fealey and one resident.

75. Period of Public Participation

Resident addressed the councillors regarding planning application 24/02930/COUAR - she advised they are looking to convert the building so that they can live there and have a small holding.

76. To receive updates from Buckinghamshire Councillors

Councillor Fealey advised the following:

- New Inn Lane – works commence on the 28th October
- Chasing works required on Lenborough Road
- 80 sandbags were delivered to the Crown
- Area by Red Lion House – road gulleys being cleared
- Road repairs / traffic calming works carried out
- Abnormal loads for HS2 passing through the village on 5 nights with temporary rolling road closures.
- Rosefield Solar Farm – equipment would not be brought through Gawcott
- Pension Credits and Helping Hand information – to be circulated via Facebook and the village newsletter
- Council Yard – speed check carried out. On meeting agenda for contractors to use other routes
- Street lights – queried two lights not connected.

77. Apologies – Councillor J Tofield and Buckinghamshire Councillor R Stuchbury.

78. Declarations of Interest – Councillor S Burgess for planning application 24/02930/COUAR

79. Minutes

Council resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on the 12th September, ref: GwLPC/05/24-25.

80. Finance

80.1. Balance of accounts as at 30th September:

- Business Account x2092 - £2,733.80
- Playing Field Account x2967 – £3,551.75
- Deposit Account x5984 - £40,662.22

80.2. Council resolved to make the following payments:

- P Molloy: £602.59 – September net salary and expenses (Microsoft renewal)
- HMRC: £45.40 – PAYE for September.
- K Richards: £172.69 – Pavilion cleaning for September and cleaning materials
- K Parker: £280 – Grass cutting for September

- EON: £50.53 – Pavilion electricity for September. Payment via direct debit
 - J V Gulliver & Son: £102 – Hedge trimming at the playing field.
 - Bigtrees: £770 – Trimming back trees at the playing field and felling dead tree on Main Street
- 80.3. Council noted payments made by direct debit or standing order:
- A R G Hall: £130 – Securing playing field gate for September.
 - Perceptive Creation: £30 – Managing and hosting website for September.
 - Buckinghamshire Council: £28.25 – September waste collection from pavilion.
- 80.4. Council noted the following income received in September: £23.69 bank interest, £60.08 NS&I account interest, £12,500 precept, £806.04 solar panel feed in tariff, £600 Nxt Level Coaching and £720 all-weather pitch fees.
- 80.5. Councillor Gibbs reviewed the September bank statements and bank reconciliation.
- 80.6. Council approved the payments, receipts and summary report including budget/actuals as at 30th September 2024.
- 80.7. Internal auditor for 2024-25 – Council resolved the appointment of Mrs D O'Brien, cost £190.
- 80.8. Council noted that Lloyds are lowering their interest rates.
- 80.9. S106 funds / projects – meeting being held on the 16th October.

81. Planning

- 81.1. Council reviewed and resolved the following applications:
- 24/02850/APP – Erection of dwelling – Land adjacent 45 The Rise. Council opposed and raised some concerns.
 - 24/02930/COUAR - Prior notification application (Part 3, Class Q) for change of use and conversion of existing agricultural barn into one dwellinghouse - Land Off Buckingham Road, Gawcott. Councillor Burgess did not take part in the vote. Council resolved no objection.
- 81.2. Council noted applications awaiting consideration:
- 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.
 - 24/00131/APP – Change of use of land to a gypsy and traveller caravan site and erection of day room – Land to the West of Main Street South, Gawcott.
 - 24/00498/VRC – Removal of condition 5 (unit to be demolished) relating to application 23/02485/APP (redevelopment of existing barn complex to form 1 No. residential dwelling (retrospective) – Rowan Tree Farm, Hillesden Road.
 - 24/01927/ADP, 24/01965/ADP & 24/01966/ADP – Land off Osier Way.
- 81.3. Council noted decisions made by Buckinghamshire Council since the last meeting:
- 24/02255/APP – Householder application for single storey front extension – Twin Trees, Hillesden Road. APPROVED.
 - 24/02147/APP – Change of use from equestrian to a mixed use of equestrian, business and residential use. Demolition of existing equestrian buildings and the erection of single storey stables, storage barn, office and dwelling house – Hollow Farm, Buckingham Road. REFUSED.
- 81.4. 24/01534/PIP – Poppyfields, Tingewick Road – Appeal lodged.

81.5. Other planning issues:

- Buckingham Neighbourhood Plan – no further update.
- Preston Road Appeal – await decision.
- Land at The Rise – no further update.
- Proposed Phase 2, Osier Way – Councillor White to draft a response to planning agent.

82. Highways

- 82.1. HS2 Road Safety Fund – Works now completed. Application submitted on the 29th July for additional items on the Preston Road.
- 82.2. HS2 – HS2 visitor van received approximately 10 visitors. Councillor White attending site tour on the 20th November.
- 82.3. Radclive Road speed limit reduction - no further update.
- 82.4. Highways and lighting – Attended on the 9th, two street lights fixed but the gear trays were incorrect for the others.
- 82.5. Traffic data – to follow.
- 82.6. A421 workshop on 28th November – Councillor White attending. Councillor Dugher hopes to attend.

83. Maintenance and Environment issues

- 83.1. Drainage improvements in Main Street. Phase 2 – works commence on the 28th October.
- 83.2. Council reviewed flood information and agreed updates following additional information provided by Buckinghamshire Council. Risk assessment reviewed, to be updated and circulated for comment.
- 83.3. Hodding Wood – Await response regarding the rent.

84. Pavilion, playing fields and play area

- 84.1. Pavilion – Councillor Dugher provided an update following meeting with contractor, await report. Council agreed to try and get a quote to get gas connected.
- 84.2. Football club – Council resolved to increase the all-weather pitch hire fee to £20 per hour, from next season. Football Club to be advised in due course.
- 84.3. Cricket club – response sent to email on the 9th October.
- 84.4. Nxt Level Coaching – Council to review fees for next financial year.
- 84.5. Play Area – monthly inspections being carried out.
- 84.6. All weather pitch – Council to review hire charges as part of budget review.
- 84.7. Caretaker – No response to ad.
- 84.8. Council resolved cost of £100 for works to additional tree at the playing field. Work being carried out by Bigtrees.
- 84.9. Playing field – Issue with flooding/drainage. Drainage beneath Lenborough Road needs to be increased. Councillor Fealey is chasing.

85. Other Parish Council Business

- 85.1. Defibrillator – Councillor White to approach Holy Trinity church.
- 85.2. Gawcott Newsletter – 20th October cut-off date. Clerk to prepare article.
- 85.3. Website – Council reviewed quotes and resolved to use My Parish Council/TEEC Ltd.
- 85.4. Action list reviewed, to be updated.
- 85.5. Meeting with Callum Anderson MP to be arranged – New date to be agreed.
- 85.6. Council noted the clerks annual review has been carried out.

85.7. Dog bin on Church Street to be secured, clerk to obtain quote.

86. Community

- Village Hall – marketing flyer being prepared. £1360 raised over the centenary weekend.
- Solar Farm – last quarter below target due to weather. Working on providing grants for schools.
- Community Group – Christmas tree lighting and carol singing on 7th December.

87. Meetings, Events and Training

- Community Boards Meeting – 17th October.
- Parish Liaison Meeting – 16th October
- NBPPC – 18th September (online)
- Planning Forum – 14th October
- Buckinghamshire Highways Stakeholder Conference – 28th October
- Training: as details circulated. Listed Building and Conservation Areas, 14th October, Councillor White attending.

88. Dates of next meetings – Council noted:

14th November, 12th December, 9th January, 13th February, 13th March, 17th April (tbc) and 8th May (tbc)

Meeting closed at 9.30pm

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