

GARTHORPE AND FOCKERBY PARISH COUNCIL

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DRAFT MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of Garthorpe and Fockerby Parish Council held at

Garthorpe Village Hall on 12th December 2017 at 7-30 p.m.

17/12/001. Present: Cllrs. J. Martinson (Chair), J. Smith (Vice Chair),

D. Armstrong, W. Bradwell, S. A. Johnston, J. Marks, J. Preston,

Apologies: Cllr. B. Reed, S. Simms Ward Councillor J. Reed.

Members of the Public present: Mr. D. Graham

The Clerk welcomed Mr. Graham and gave him the opportunity to speak. Mr. Graham said he would like to thank members of the Parish Council for obtaining, erecting, decorating and all preparations made regarding the Village Christmas tree. Mr. Graham went on to speak about the War Memorial. He stated that the Memorial is looking good and is being maintained to a good standard. Mr. Graham enquired about the SSE Windfarm grant and was informed that the money had to be spent before it could be reclaimed. The Benches and some planting had been reimbursed. The grant should be reclaimed within a year so anything not spent would be lost. Mr. Graham asked how much money was left in the War Memorial fund to which the Clerk advised there is £213.15. As the Parish Council were handed back the War Memorial in December 2016 some of the expenses incurred may have been paid from their main account. Mr. Graham asked if he could purchase some oil to treat the benches. This was unanimously agreed. Mr. Graham asked about replacing the concrete posts, gateposts and gate. Cllrs D. Armstrong and J. Marks are to get a list of materials and prices to allow a grant application to be submitted. Mr. Graham thanked the Parish Council for their time and left the meeting.

17/12/002. Declarations of Interest: To note any declarations of interest made by Councillors in respect of items on this meeting's Agenda (in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct and the Localism Act 2011). None.

17/12/003. Minutes of the meeting held on 17th October 2017: The Minutes were accepted as a true record, as proposed by Cllr J. Martinson and seconded by Cllr. J. Smith.

17/12/004. Matters arising from the Minutes: The enquiry regarding extending a Boundary adjoining the Playing Field. A letter has been sent to the residents confirming that extending boundaries into the playing field will not be permitted. The Lincs in Bloom application has been submitted.

The application for funding for the new play equipment has been submitted. There were some amendments required on the safeguarding children policy, E Safety and Whistleblowing. The Clerk has drafted this up. The amendments were approved.

17/12/005. Ward Councillor Update: Ward Cllr. Julie Reed sent her apologies.

17/12/006. Clerk's Report: The Clerk circulated a report detailing actions which were carried out following the previous meeting.

17/12/007. Financial Update:

Bank Account reconciliation. The reports were prepared by the Clerk and distributed to the Parish Councillors.

Balance from previous Minutes	£7,671-02
Payments made since last meeting	
Mrs. M. Smith (Clerk's wages 30-09-17)	£ 61-68
RNS (Payroll services)	£ 118-80
HMRC (PAYE)	£ 46-20
PWLB	£ 880-16
Mr. A. MacDonald (Cemetery fees)	£ 291-59
Mrs. M. Smith (Clerk's wages 30-10-17)	£ 61-68
Garthorpe Canaries microgrant	£ 250-00
Garthorpe Childrens craft club microgrant	£ 250-00
Mrs. M. Smith (Clerk's wages 30-11-17)	£ 61-68
Payments received	
A. NLC SSE Grant reimbursement (Benches)	£ 1,139-95
B. HMRC (VAT reclaim)	£ 719-27
Balance on 07-12-17	£7,508-45

Cheques made out for:

Mr. A. MacDonald (Cemetery)	£ 110-79
Mr. Marshall (Christmas Tree)	£ 80-00

Precept Setting for 2017/18. It was unanimously agreed to keep the Precept unchanged from last year. The Clerk will notify NLC.

17/12/008. SSE Windfarm Microgrants: No applications received.

17/12/009. Correspondence:

Village Hall Insurance: The Parish Council agreed to look into including the Insurance of the Village Hall when the PC Insurance is due for renewal in June.

Mr. J. Newsham: Hedge and tree planting. The Parish Council thought this was a good idea. Cllr. W. Bradwell will visit Mr. Newsham and ask for a plan outlining his ideas.

17/12/010. Playing Field Update: Cllr. J. Martinson reported the playing field is in good order. A new strimmer will be required in the spring.

17/12/011. Planning: PA/2017/1494 Planning permission to erect a garage and two storey extension to existing detached house to create additional living accommodation at Westfield House, Station Road, Garthorpe DN17 4SA by applicant Mr. A. Davies has been granted subject to conditions

17/12/012. Streetlights, Highways and Footpaths: Various kerbs around the village are damaged. A list will be forwarded onto NLC.

17/12/013. Matters for future discussion: Cllr. J. Martinson and D. Armstrong asked whether we could hold a Christmas lights event similar to the one at Amcotts. They were advised that SSE funding may be available and it is advisable to submit applications early.

Cllr. J. Marks asked whether we could set up an Email scheme whereby villagers can receive direct Emails keeping them informed of news and events. This will be addressed at the next meeting.

17/08/015. Date and Time of the next Meeting: The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 20th February 2018 at 7.30pm in Garthorpe Village Hall.

The Meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Signed J. Martinson (Chairman) Dated 20th February 2018

