

Meeting minutes of the FULL COUNCIL of GARTHORPE & FOCKERBY PARISH COUNCIL, held in the village hall on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025 commencing at 6.45pm

Election of chair- B Woolhouse was proposed by C Newton and seconded by J Preston

Election of vice-chair- W Bradwell was proposed by C Newton and seconded by J Knowles

Dates of the meetings- It was agreed to have meetings every other month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of that month.

**Present:** Councillors B Woolhouse (Chair, C Newton), J Preston, , J Knowles, B Reed, W Bradwell

**In Attendance:** James Woodcock- Parish Clerk, Cllr Ian Bint, 1 member of the public

**177/2425 Apologies:** P Woolhouse

**178/2425 Declarations of Interest** *in accordance with the Parish Council's (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2011.*

**179/2425 Public Forum** – No request to speak

**180/2425 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

- A) To resolve to approve as a correct record the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held in the village hall on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025 AGM  
Proposed by J Preston and seconded by C Newton

**181/2425 Matters Arising**

**a) Cemetery**

- i. Sign for lay-by – W Bradwell has got the sign and B Woolhouse has agreed to erect.
- ii. Gardener tools-. B Reed has repaired the mower, and an invoice has been supplied.
- iii. Remembrance garden. There is no update now as the ground is to dry to plant the tree now.
- iv. Gravestones- B Woolhouse has spoken to water plus regarding the water bill received a letter has now been received requesting a photograph to prove there is no tap. B Woolhouse is to respond

**b) Playing Field.**

- i. Bins. – B Woolhouse and C Newton are to meet up to site them, B Woolhouse has ordered some stakes to secure the bins, and an invoice has been supplied.

**c) Village Hall**

- i. Land Registry –B Woolhouse informed the council that the solicitors have now got all of the information required and he is now waiting for a response.

**d) General**

- i. Emergency Response Plan – J Knowles has emailed a copy of the Emergency Response Plan for review.
- ii. Verge on high street. Another letter has been received and P Woolhouse has drafted a response.
- iii. Internal Auditors report. The clerk read the internal auditors report that states the accounts are clear and easy to follow The internal auditor recommended a review of the standing orders and financial regulations.
- iv. AGAR- The clerk read out the section 1 questions where the council answered yes to all of the questions except for question 9 where this one was answered as N/A. The chair and clerk signed the AGAR as well as the accounts
- v. Accounts- These were signed by the clerk and chair.
- vi. Appointment of internal auditor- It was agreed by all for A Bosmans to conduct the internal audit for the 25/26 financial year.

**182/2425 Clerk Update**

A Letter from a resident regarding the removed hedge on high street has been received. It was agreed that P Woolhouse will respond to the email as B Woolhouse has a list of when the hedge has been mentioned at the parish council meeting

The clerk had received an email regarding the local plan engagement. Cllr Ian Bint suggested the council review it. It was agreed to add it to the next agenda.

An email was also received reminding the council about the deadline to enter the best kept village competition. It was agreed not to enter this year.

**183/2425 Planning**

a) To receive planning applications from NLC and resolve a response- None received.

b) To receive decisions made by NLC- Non received.

c) To receive planning appeal decisions

*Any planning received by the meeting date will be included in the above- None Received.*

**184 /2425 Finance**

a) **Payments – reviewed and approved the following:**

1. clerks wages
2. Complete weed control- £516.00 and £222.00
3. George Tune- J Knowles to question
4. Clear insurance- £616.85
5. RNS Payroll £126.00
6. B Reed-£89.50
7. B Woolhouse£10.99
8. North Lincolnshire council- £510.70
9. A Bosman- £100.00

b) **Receipts**

None

c) **Micro Grants**

**185/2425 General Items of Business**

a) Online banking/ changing address. A new mandate is needed

b) Hall accounts and report- This was deferred to the next meeting where J Lloyd can provide an update.

**186/2425 Correspondence for Information**

Discussed above

**187/2425 Village Issues**

The clerk is to chase up North lincs council regarding the state of the footpaths. B Reed also mentioned the state of the footpaths down Island Road.

The clerk also questioned if a rent invoice needs to be sent. It was agreed by all to keep the rent at the same rate. Clerk to send an invoice.

## 188/2425 Ward councilors update

1. There has been a change in cabinet and there is now an emphasis on filling in potholes, with anything considered dangerous that is to be repaired within 24 hours.

Main arterial roads are priority and then the b roads.

2. The tree planting grant has enabled 180000 trees to be planted.
3. Waste government declared that you cannot have more than 3 bins. Food waste must go in the brown bin and there will be an increase in brown bin collection.
4. They are currently working on the winter warmth project.
5. There has been a review called over the potential closure/ downsize of Scunthorpe hospital.
6. North Lincolnshire has also made representation over the potential closure/ downsize of Goole hospital.
7. There are major road works to take place in Crowle at the beginning of August and there will be a 2-week road closure.
8. North Lincolnshire council have said that there must be solar panels installed on all new buildings.
9. It is the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the drainage of the isle by Mr Vermuyden. It was suggested that we look at putting an event on to commemorate the event. C Newton suggested creating an information sheet.
10. Grants- If a micro grant is awarded the pot gets topped up at the end of the year. A maximum of £300 can be awarded per application.  
The Keadby thermal grant awards up to £2000 to constitute bodies such as football teams, sports teams etc. and there is no requirement for 10% match funding  
The SSE thermal meeting is in July.  
Currently bus trips are not covered however Cllr Bint has proposed that they should be considered if the trip is within North Lincolnshire.  
The contact for the SSE grant is jayne.collings@sse.com

## 189/2425 Items for next Agenda

Bins location  
Grave stones  
Churchyard.  
Policies  
Local Plan

## 164/2324 Date Time & Venue of Next Meeting.

The next Parish Council meeting was confirmed as Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2025 at 6.45pm  
*All meetings to be held in the Village Hall, Garthorpe, subject to any changes in circumstances including changes to Government legislation and any public health restrictions.*

This concluded the business of the meeting. Meeting closed at 20.30pm