

GARTHORPE AND FOCKERBY PARISH COUNCIL

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NOTICE OF FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF GARTHORPE & FOCKERBY PARISH COUNCIL

Date : 13th March 2026

To : All Councillors

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to a meeting of the FULL COUNCIL of GARTHORPE AND FOCKERBY PARISH COUNCIL, which will be held in the village hall on **Friday 20th March 2026 at 6.45pm.**

James Woodcock - Clerk, Garthorpe & Fockerby Parish Council

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend the meeting.

Members of the public may raise subjects they wish to bring to the attention of the Parish Council, make representations and give evidence in respect of business on the agenda. Decisions relating to items on the agenda will be made with the agenda item. Items not on the agenda will be answered in writing or on a future agenda

Minutes

1. **Apologies:** To receive and approve any apologies for absence. W Bradwell.
In attendance. B Woolhouse (Chair) J Knowles, P Woolhouse, C Newton, B Reed, J Woodcock (clerk)
2. **Declarations of Interest:**
 - a) To record a declaration of Interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of Interest being declared.- Non
 - b) To note dispensations given to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below.-Non
3. **Public Forum**

To resolve if necessary to temporarily suspend the meeting for a period of no more than 15 minutes to allow for a period of public participation.

1 member of the public
4. **Minutes of Previous Meetings**
 - a. To resolve to approve as a correct record the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held in the village hall on Friday 23rd January 2026

C Newton proposed and P Woolhouse seconded.
5. **Matters Arising from The Minutes**
 - a) **Cemetery**
 - i. Remembrance Garden- P Woolhouse informed the council that as the weather is starting to get better she is going to start looking into the trees.
 - ii. Cemetery caretaker- Two applications have been received. The clerk left the room. It was agreed that B Woolhouse is to meet with the other applicant and report back at the next council meeting. The clerk returned.
 - iii. Water plus- B Woolhouse informed the council that a bill has been received for nearly

£200. B Woolhouse has been back in touch with Water Plus who have said that it may be for drainage however B Woolhouse informed them that there is no drainage. Water plus is going to send a form out which B Woolhouse is going to fill out as the parish council has been paying since 2017.

- b) **Playing Field**- There has been vandalism on the all-weather area with five bars being bent in total. It was agreed by all that it needs to be repaired as it causes a health and safety risk. The panels will have to be removed to be repaired. The clerk is to contact the insurance company to see what the process is to claim as the area is insured.

C Newton informed the council that he has checked the rest of the play area, and all seems okay apart from a little damage on the swing, however a cleaning session needs to be organised.

There is an ongoing issue with the bins being moved. B Woolhouse is to investigate ground screws to secure the bins.

- c) **Village Hall**
 - i. Land Ownership- This matter is still ongoing.
- d) **General**
 - i. Emergency Response Plan/ Power outages – Meeting to be arranged- The village hall committee has held a meeting. The generator is now at the hall. It was agreed by all that there should be several people trained to operate the generator. Also, the socket needs to be relocated to avoid a trip hazard. C Newton agreed to store a fuel can in case of emergencies.
 - ii. Local plan. - This matter is still ongoing.

6. Clerk Update

To receive an update from Clerk on items from the minutes not shown separately on this agenda

The clerk had received an email from Tesco's regarding the funding bins that they have in stores and suggested that this maybe something the church or village hall could look at. The clerk is to forward to B & P Woolhouse.

7. Planning

- a) To receive planning applications from NLC and resolve a response-Non
- b) To receive decisions made by NLC-Non
- c) To receive planning appeal decisions-Non

8. Finance

- a) **Payments** – to review and approve monthly payments

1. Clerks wages
2. Complete weed control- £240.00

- b) **Receipts** – to note receipt of income

4. Any other income received by the meeting date

- c) **Micro Grants**

To consider any grant applications received by the meeting date

Two micro grants have been received.

1. Sue Teal- £84.99 towards cost for the newsletter. C Newton proposed and J Knowles seconded all agreed
2. Charlie Parsonage- £400- Towards ongoing racing costs. P Woolhouse proposed and J Knowles seconded all agreed.

9. General Items of Business

- a) **Online banking/ changing of address.-** The clerk has resent the form and is going to ring up on Monday for a progress report.
- b) **Footpath-** The footpath has been done, however there is concern over possible flooding risks due to the fall of the tarmac
- c) **Grass cutting contract-** Two tender bids have been received. B Woolhouse said that complete weed control worked out the cheapest overall and have done a fantastic job in the past. All were in agreeance. B Woolhouse proposed and J Preston seconded. All were in favour.
- d) **Boat-** C Newton had found a boat however it was in Peterborough. It was agreed by all to keep looking.
- e) **Grant policy-** The clerk had forwarded the proposed grant policy and all were happy with it. C Newton proposed to adopt it and P Woolhouse seconded it.

10. Correspondence for Information

Anything received by the meeting date will be included.

11. Village Issues to receive and consider any village issues

J Knowles raised the proposal that for the village flower boxes that maybe the people that have been looking after them may want to select the flowers and maybe giving them a voucher to do so. It was mentioned that this may be difficult with receipts and making sure the money was spent on the planters. It was agreed that a budget of £475 for J Knowles and P Woolhouse purchase flowers and soil.

12. Items for Next Agenda.

To consider without discussion, items for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting.

13. Date/Time/Venue of Next Meeting

To confirm date and time of the **Council Meeting** on 15th **May** at **6.45pm** in the Village Hall. *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.*