GOODERSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the GOODERSTONE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at 6.30pm on THURSDAY 19th June 2025, held at Orchard House The Street.

Present: Clirs Judy Chandler (Chair), Ian Chandler, Helen Harding, Robert Hartley & Ann Melhuish.

Members of the public: 1

Parish Clerk: Miss Lolly Dawson

Announcement of Emergency Evacuation Procedures.

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were accepted for Councillors Elizabeth Coleman, Dymphna Pearce due to alternative commitments.

2. Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Minutes

The Minutes of the last Council meeting held on 19th May 2025 were APPROVED as a true and correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

4. Public Participation

4.1. Reports from the Chair, District and County Councillors and Clerk. It was NOTED that the concrete block at the recreation ground has been removed.

Himalayan Balsam on private properties within the village were NOTED, the Clerk confirmed that this is a private matter and not under the Parish Councils authority.

4.2. Members of the public, no comments.

5. Updates from previous meetings.

- 5.1. An update on the memorial plaque, a quote was received from Uncle Lukes Signs for £50 for a composite material, that looks like brushed stainless steel and black engraving, this was APPROVED, Cllr J Chandler to order and confirm churches approval in writing, and Cllr I Chandler to place.
- 5.2. Scribe Accounts Update, awaiting on opening balances to be able to start using the software.
- 5.3. Update on potential Climbing Wall, the application to National Lottery was successful, it was AGREED to hold a site meeting to clarify the exact location and for Cllr I Chandler to be on site on 16th September 2025 for installation.
- 5.4. It was NOTED that the TSB accounts have now been closed, awaiting bank statements & formal closure letter to be posted.
- 5.5. Update on the village gateways, it was AGREED for writing to be on the front side only "Welcome to Gooderstone, please drive carefully", Clerk to ask highways to consider speed limit signs on both sides at the East End and Elm place locations with the other two, 30mph on entrance but nothing on the back.
- 5.6. Update on the dog bin locations, two locations confirmed, awaiting approval from highways and then street furniture application to be placed.

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5.7. Update on potential goal post replacements, next meeting.

6. Finance

- 6.1. Up-to-date bank reconciliation, Clerk unable to complete as awaiting March bank statements from TSB, next meeting.
- 6.2. Accounts update, next meeting.
- 6.3. Internal Audit report for 2024/25, next meeting.
- 6.4.6.3 AGAR and agree the following, next meeting:
 - 6.4.1. To declare Gooderstone Parish Council as an exempt authority and sign the Certificate of Exemption as neither the gross income or expenditure exceeds £25,000, next meeting.
 - 6.4.2. Section 1 of the AGAR the Annual Governance Statement, next meeting.
 - 6.4.3. Section 2 of the AGAR the Accounting Statement, next meeting.
 - 6.4.4. The publication of rights, next meeting.
 - 6.4.5. The analysis of variances report, next meeting.
- 6.5. The approve payments and receipts were APPROVED.

Company	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
Staff Costs	Month 2 May, 3 June, 4 July	£1038.13	£0.00	£1038.13
	2025, including expenses			
Nurture	INV 365078 Grounds	£159.16	£31.83	£190.99
	Maintenance May 2025			
TT Jones	Street Lighting Maintenance for	£24.48	£4.90	£29.38
	the months of July-Aug-Sep			
	2025			
Sonya Blythe	Internal Audit 24/25	£120.00	£0.00	£120.00

7. Correspondence

7.1. Email from Breckland inviting representatives to attend a meeting regarding the Call for Sites on 5th June 2025, comments to be emailed by 16th July 2025.

8. Admin

- 8.1. The policy schedule was RECEIVED.
- 8.2. One quote was received from RLS computers for implementing gov.uk domain for website and emails, it was AGREED to source additional quotes.
- 8.3. The purchase of a wreath for the 15th August VJ Day 80 service and wreath laying at the war memorial at the Parish Church. It was AGREED that if the service is confirmed, a wreath should be purchased.

9. Village Management

- 9.1. Street Lighting, no reports.
- 9.2. Quotes for repair of the matting around the roundabout, awaiting quotes, next meeting.
- 9.3. The SAM2 locations were confirmed.
- 9.4. It was AGREED to take no further action in clearing the verge around Newbridge.
- 9.5. The damaged directional fingerpost signs at the entrance to the village were noted, it was AGREED to continue to pursue, and report online as advised by highways.

10. Planning

10.1. Planning applications for consultation and any notifications of decisions, none received.

11. Items for next agenda,

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11.1. All noted on items.

12. Date of Next Meetings were confirmed.

- 1.1. Monday 21st July 2025, 6:30pm, Gooderstone Water Gardens
- 1.2. Monday 15th September 2025, 6.30pm, Gooderstone Water Gardens Meeting Closed 19:30

Signed: Dated:

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