

**GREETHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**Minutes of Meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2024 @ 7pm held at Greetham Community Centre**

**Members Present:** Mr K. Edward (KE) Chair, Mrs J. Denyer (JD), Mr D. Baker (DB)  
Mrs A. Jenkins (AJ), Ms. Janem Shelton (JS), Miss L. Hinch (LH), Mrs R. Chipperfield (RC)  
Mr L. Sheppard (LS), Mrs J Isaac (Clerk)

1 member of the public attended

<b>Ref</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>102/24</b>	<b>Welcome and Apologies for absence</b>	
	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr. Nick Begy	
<b>103/24</b>	<b>Co-option of New Councillor</b>	
	A resident from the west end of the village has applied to join as Councillor on the GPC Committee. This was discussed and agreed to co-opt in principle at the last meeting, but was carried forward to this meeting when the member could be present. KE proposed the formal acceptance of Leroy Sheppard. This was seconded by RC and there was a unanimous vote in favour. Leroy then officially joined the meeting. The Clerk passed on the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Councillor for signing. <i>Clerk to add new Councillor to dropbox and contact list.</i>	Clerk
<b>104/24</b>	<b>Declarations of interest in items on the agenda</b>	
	None.	
<b>105/24</b>	<b>Questions/Comments from members of the public</b>	
	None.	
<b>106/24</b>	<b>Approval of minutes</b>	
	The following Minutes were accepted and signed as a true record – no corrections: PC Meeting held on 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2024 Proposed by JS, seconded by JD – Unanimous	
<b>107/24</b>	<b>Matters arising</b>	
	None	
<b>108/24</b>	<b>Finance</b>	
108.1	<b>Monthly budget/finance report, and bank reconciliation</b> The bank reconciliation and updated budget at 30 <sup>th</sup> September was noted and approved.  The Chair has checked and agreed the September finances and confirmed the bank reconciliation is correct.	
108.2	<b>Approval of Invoices</b> <b>Invoices already paid</b> Simpson Arboriculture Ltd – Removal of tree stumps - £240.00 inc. VAT  <b>Invoices to be approved and paid</b> Clerk Wages for October - £387.50 Water Plus – Water Bill for Burial Ground 14 <sup>th</sup> June to 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept - £37.16  Proposed by JD, Seconded by RC - Unanimous	Clerk
108.3	<b>Approval of orders to be placed</b>	

108.4	<p>Donation towards the restoration of the bell frame at Greetham Church It was noted that new rules by NALC now allow help towards Church maintenance/equipment. It was agreed at the last meeting that GPC support the restoration of the bells by making a donation and this has been brought forward as a finance. A sum of £500 was proposed and all voted in favour.</p> <p>Approx. £100 for Birds and bat boxes as part of the Biodiversity Plan. Proposed by KE, seconded by LH – Unanimous Possible boxes for hedgehogs were discussed – to take forward to another meeting.</p> <p><b>To note Income Received</b> None</p>	Clerk
<b>109/24</b>	<b>PLANNING</b>	
109.1	<p>Conditions of Planning for Greetham Quarry Extension DB gave an update on complaints: Two meetings have just been held – the Quarry Forum and MG Liaison Group to discuss the number of complaints on dust and noise. There has been significant concern and MG have had to produce a report to the Planning Authority. Heidelberg, the new parent company for MG, have been in attendance at the meetings. A meeting is scheduled on 6<sup>th</sup> November to meet with Heidelberg to look at resolving operational and air quality issues. The focus at this meeting will be the nuisance caused to the residents of the White House. GPC are pushing for a detailed review of the monitoring on site to check the mitigation contracts are working. It was suggested and agreed that DB draft a short update with key points on where we are at with quarry complaints in the Greetham Newsletter.</p>	DB
109.2	<p><b>Planning Application: 2024/1074/FUL</b> First Floor Side Extension, Ground Floor Rear Extension, Front Porch Extension, Fabric Improvements including Provision of PV Panels to Rear Elevation Roof. Construction of new Detached Outbuilding to Rear Garden Area. Landscaping Works. Cedar House, Kirks Close, Greetham LE15 7NT GPC have no objections – Support</p>	
109.3	<p><b>Planning Application 2024/1075/CAT</b> T1 Cedar tree to be removed due to growing within the power lines and BT lines 44 Main Street, Greetham, Rutland LE15 7NL GPC have no objections – Support GPC would like to see another tree planted somewhere in the garden if possible. <i>Clerk to add comments on the Planning Portal</i></p>	Clerk
<b>109.4</b>	<b>Decision Notices</b>	
	<p><b>Application Number: 2024/0771/FUL</b> PV panels on West elevation Roof Mossfield Cottage, 71 Main Street, Greetham LE15 7NJ RCC have granted planning permission. <b>Application Number: 2024/0840/CAT</b> (T1) 1 no. Conifer tree- Fell 83 Main Street, Greetham LE15 7NJ</p>	

	RCC has decided not to exercise its power to make a provisional Tree Preservation Order in this instance.	
<b>110/24</b>	<b>AGENDA ITEMS</b>	
<b>110.1</b>	<b>Concerns with litter from new businesses at the Ram Jam and concerns about traffic flow</b>	
	<p>It was suggested and agreed that GPC make contact with the three companies opening up businesses at the Ram Jam to welcome and establish lines of communication to discuss any concerns with litter etc. Two Councillors were elected to make contact – DB and LS</p> <p>The issue of traffic flow off the A1 to the Ram Jam service station was discussed, following a number of problems reported with confusion on the two-way traffic system. NB has reported this to Highways. <i>Clerk to contact Highways to chase an update following their visit.</i></p>	<p>DB, LS</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<b>111/24</b>	<b>ADVISORY TEAMS</b>	
111.1	<p><b>Significant Planning Application Team and Neighbourhood Plan</b> It was reported that the Developer of the 30 new houses in the old Quarry had approached GPC to review the Neighbourhood Plan to include the quarry. RCC had originally informed GPC that the quarry could not be included in the Plan. As it is no longer being worked it now can be included. It was acknowledged that the Neighbourhood Plan needs to be updated once there is approval of the Local Plan – Regulation 19 of the Local Plan is due to go through in January 2025.</p>	
111.2	<p><b>Streets and Services Team</b> North Rutland Highways Group have combined all the Highways issues and logged them with Cllr. Wise at Highways. Highways are currently in a critical position with staffing and there is a considerable backlog. However, the following responses have been received to date:</p> <p>Verges on Great Lane – Rejected Reduced Speed limited from 60 to 40 by 5 Counties – Rejected Bridge Lane issues with visibility and traffic calming – Highways is carrying out further investigation in light of the accident.</p> <p>From November Highways will be putting in a new reporting system which will require more data to support a request. The new system is yet to be explained.</p>	
111.3	<p><b>Environment Planning Team</b> JS reported of a meeting held at the Village Green between a representative of the Biodiversity Group with herself and RCC Tree Officer to discuss the work to be carried out. RCC Tree officer is happy with the proposal to remove three trees. It was agreed for GGW to put in the planning application for the tree removal on behalf of GPC. <i>Clerk to circulate GGW proposal for the Village Green improvement project to all councillors – for discussion at the November meeting.</i></p> <p>Litter Pick</p>	Clerk

111.4	<p>The litter pick information has gone on Facebook and in the Greetham Newsletter.  Arranged for Saturday at GCC at 10am.  Clerk to provide litter pick assessment sheets and sign off sheet.</p> <p><b>Burial Ground</b>  Greetham Goes Wild have submitted a revised plan for a wild area at the top of the Burial Ground.  DB to arrange a meeting with GGW and BG Maintenance Team at the Burial Ground to discuss/agree.</p>	Clerk  DB
111.5	<p><b>Community Centre</b>  The Chinese Moon Festival evening was well attended and very successful.  A champions evening has been arranged next Friday for all villagers working behind the scenes for the Community Centre.</p>	
<b>112/24</b>	<b>Correspondence and Communication</b>	
	<p>Request letter from Hereward Homes for suggested name of development in Old Greetham Quarry</p> <p>Rutland Local Plan – Presentation for Town and Parish Councils held on 3<sup>rd</sup> September.</p> <p>Invitation from the High Sheriff of Rutland to attend a service on 14<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm at Uppingham Parish Church to celebrate the volunteers of Rutland</p> <p>Press Release on Public Consultation for Council Tax Reduction Scheme.</p> <p>Email from Alicia Kearns encouraging people to apply for Pension Credit</p> <p>Email from resident regarding the issue of cars parked in Main Street, resulting in problems pulling out of Little Lane – white lines suggested.</p>	
<b>113/24</b>	<b>Reports from outside bodies</b>	
	<p>North Beat Police Report – Greetham incidents:  Bus vs bicycle collision with injury  Dumper truck and digger stolen from a building site.</p> <p>GPC are encouraging motorists to slow down; however residents are warning people on Facebook when speed camera vans are in the area, which is contradictory and not deemed appropriate.</p> <p>Rutland Flooding Summit with our MP  KE attended the meeting – there was high attendance by all villages to discuss the recent flooding and prevention measures.</p>	
<b>114/24</b>	<b>Items for next Agenda</b>	
	Playground zip wire repair/reimbursement to GCC.	
<b>115/24</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>	
	Next Meeting: Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November at 7pm	

Meeting ended 8.45pm

Issued on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2024