

**Goodworth Clatford Parish Council
Annual Council Meeting Minutes 2nd July 2024**

Date of Meeting: Tuesday 2nd July 2024 at 7pm
Location: held in the main hall at the Village Club

Present:

Councillors	Clerk	TVBC + County Councillors	Others
Roy Struthers (Chairman) Ian Platt Will Walker Fiona Cross Alan Willens Robin Welland Henryk Kwiatkowski	Eveline Attwood	Maureen Flood	2

24060 Chairmans remarks – The Chairman thanked the Planning Committee for their positive views at the recent planning meeting. He also mentioned that the Post Office and Shop AGM had recently taken place and the very slimmed down committee would welcome additional volunteers help.

24061 Apologies for Absence – County Cllr Drew, Borough Cllr Hasselmann & Cllr Henderson

24062 Public Participation – A Parishioner asked what prompted a Neighbourhood Plan review and the next steps. Cllrs gave a brief explanation.

24063 Declarations of Interest – None

24064 To Approve the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 7th of May 2024 –. Proposed Cllr Platt Seconded Cllr Welland. The Chair asked if all members agreed with the minutes, and all agreed they could be signed.

Resolved: That the minutes of the Council Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 7th May 2024 can be confirmed and signed as a true record of the meeting.

24065 Borough Councillors report - Councillor Flood reported on the following. See appendix A for further details.

- More Education – Support for autistic young people
- Fun Fridays – Summertime fun
- Funeral Home visits – TVBC have visited and checked processes in local funeral parlours.

24066 County Councillor Drew report – Cllr Drew report is in Appendix B which has been circulated.

24067 Clerks report (This was circulated prior to the meeting)

- AGAR has been sent and acknowledged by BDO with supporting info. Notice to exercise public rights posted.
- Dog bins filled with bags.
- Only half an order has been received for dog gloves due to short supply in the cheaper ones.
- Meeting with TVBC Officers NHP Sarah Hughes & Tim 21st May 2024 with NHP steering group.
- Meeting with housing survey team on 17th June 2024, documentation about the survey has now been circulated.

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- Lost allotment key reissued (resident asked for number padlock rather than a key one)
- Cllr Welland has completed his training. All Cllrs are trained.
- No safe deposit held in Nat West; it is indicated in records this was pre land registration.
- Mandatory DEFRA survey completed about Parish Council land ownership.

24068 Planning

24068.1 Update on previous applications

- 23/02105/CMAN Sludge Facility Cowdown – Awaiting decision.
- 22/03267/FULLN Anaerobic digestion facility – awaiting decision. Highways recommend not granting planning permission until further assessment of traffic off A303 slip road. Cllrs expressed concerns about the access arrangements.
- 23/01672/FULLN 24 The Crescent- Permission Nitrate Mitigation contribution section 106 £11400 to TVBC legal agreement on website.
- 24/01169/FULLN Grace Cottage, Longstock Road Installation of replacement windows to the West and North elevations – Permission
- 24/01239 OUTN Land at Barrow Hill Outline Planning Application for up to 40 Dwellings Awaiting Decision
- 24/01178/FULLN Yew Tree Farm Goodworth Clatford Retention of a private trackway Awaiting Decision

24068.2 Planning Infringements - None

24068.3 Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Cross reported that the housing survey needs completing to be able to update the NHP.

24068.4 Approval for TVBC to undertake housing needs survey.

A copy of the survey was circulated prior to the meeting. Cllrs need to make suggested amendments to Cllr Cross by the 15th of July. Part one is for all householders to complete. Part 2 is to gather information about family members connected to the Parish who would like to continue living in the village. This is for either downsizing or having the opportunity to live in affordable housing. Survey will be delivered to each household in early September and can be completed in paper form or via Survey Monkey. This data will be collated by TVBC for evidence to support the NHP, so Parishioners have a say about what the Parish needs. All comments about the survey and associated paperwork need to be back with Cllr Cross by the 15th of July.

Resolved: Cllrs approved TVBC undertaking the housing needs survey. Cllrs will deliver the surveys in early September to every household within the parish.

24069 Annual Parish Meeting issues raised by Parishioners.

24069.1 20mph – Cllrs discussed the implementing 20mph.

- Statistics from speed indicator device indicate average speed 26mph.
- Survey has previously taken place at fete which not enough parishioners were in favour.
- No funding from HCC because there have been no fatalities. Funding would have to be by the Parish if even allowed as stringent criteria to be met.
- Police have no reason to support a speed reduction.

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- Notes from national level suggest a sign does not control the speed of an individual motorist and slow down traffic.
- Chicanes were discussed but yet again funding would have to be met by Parish and HCC criteria would need to be met.
- Speed limit is not enforced.

Resolved: Cllrs decided that a 20mph signs would not ensure motorists reduced speed.

24069.2 Entrance gates to Village to encourage reduction of traffic speed. Cllrs discussed the cost of the gates for one entry point to the village.

- Highways quoted £3000 for each entry point to the village with an application fee of £270.
- Yet again the Parish would have to fund the traffic calming, highways would not pay for installation of gates.
- It was suggested that more SID's should be purchased with solar panels and remain permanently in place.

Resolved: The Clerk will investigate the rules around keeping the SID's on permanent fixtures and whether the poles already installed will bear the weight of a solar panel device.

24069.3 Jubilee Sign Cllrs discussed the sign and agreed it needed repainting.

Resolved: The Clerk will seek some quotes for refurbishment of the sign.

24070.1 Finance To approve the Statement of Accounts 1st April 2024 – 31st May 2024. The Clerk had circulated a Financial Statements pack to all members prior to the meeting.

Proposed: Cllr Walker Seconded: Cllr Welland.

Resolved: That the financial statements between 1st April 2024 until 31st May 2024 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

24070. 2 Payments for approval May 2024

Clatford Shop Assoc	£436.66
B & M	£7.00
Bank Charges	£10.00
E Attwood - Salary	£761.27
HMRC - Tax	£14.00

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Payments for approval June 2024

Guy Kitchen - April & May	£485.00
GC Village Club- April	£17.00
GC village Club - May	£69.00
London Stock Exchange Fee	£60.00
Clatford Shop Assoc	£436.66
JRB Enterprise	£130.26
Hampshire Assoc	£117.60
Bank Charges	£8.00
Business Stream	£20.92
Guy Kitchen - June	£355.00
B & M - Stationary	£9.00
Currys - Office laptop/printer & software	£498.98
E Attwood - Salary	£756.77
HMRC - Tax	£14.00

Proposed: Cllr Walker, Seconded: Cllr Platt

Resolved: Payments for May and June 2024 were approved.

Bank Reconciliation			
Business	HSBC	£	1,311.94
Treasurers	HSBC	£	30,629.25
Business reserve	Nat West	£	9,123.84
Business	Nat West	£	5.00
Closing Balance as at 31 May 24		£	41,070.03

24070.3 Review of investments and budget – Cllr Walker explained that the finance committee had met, and it was recommended that the investments were delivering as expected and that we remained on budget for this year.

24070.4 Quarterly Statement Check – Cllr Struthers confirmed this has been carried this out at the recent finance meeting.

24070.5 Closure of Nat West Account

Proposed: Cllr Walker Seconded: Cllr Struthers

Resolved: The Clerk may arrange for the accounts to be closed and the balances transferred to the main accounts at HSBC.

24070.6 Bank Signatory

Resolved: Cllrs approved Cllrs Struthers being added as a signatory to the HSBC accounts.

24070.7 Revised Financial Regulations

Resolved: The Clerk will arrange for a copy of the new financial regulations to be shared with Cllrs Platt & Walker.

24071 Approval to apply for.gov domain - Cllr Struthers will investigate a new e mail provider.

Resolved: Cllrs approved the Clerk applying for a.gov.uk domain

Environment

24072.1 Footpaths & Highways. – The following was reported.

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- Footpaths are generally more overgrown, and HCC are employing less contractors to carry out maintenance due to a shortage of funds.
- It was reported footpath 17 was overgrown with vegetation and was almost impassable at the top.
- Southern end of Village Street has had a number of potholes filled but looks patchy.

Resolved: The Clerk will ask whether the repairs are complete or whether a top layer will be applied.

24072.2 Sheepwash- Cllr Kwiatkowski reported that.

- No bins at the Sheepwash and there is minimal rubbish.
- A pipe that enters the river from underneath Village Club, Westover and from the Highway may need maintenance.
- **Defibrillator** - Cllr Kwiatkowski has taken over the checks and maintenance.

Resolved: The Clerk will arrange repairs of the handrail and a proper latch to be put on a post at the gate entering and exiting at Church Lane.

24072.3 The Park & Estate Management Group – Cllr Walker-- reported the following:

- Maintenance had taken place at Riverside Rest
- Bridleway has been cleared.
- Estate Management Group stand at the fete.
- EMG looking after trees in Park.
- Consider a professional survey to identify precise landownership of the park and responsibility for tree maintenance.

Resolved: Cllrs approved the following

- Purchase of raffle tickets for the Christmas draw
- For the meadow to be mowed by Velcourt.
- Sheepwash maintenance to purchase scalping's, maintenance grid to be grassed over in September.

24072.4 Allotments – Nothing to report.

24072.5 Recreation Ground & Pavilion - The following was reported.

- The play equipment report by TVBC reported that a new mechanism was required for the zip wire.

24072.6. Completion of monthly H&S Inspections-

- Sheep wash Completed. Repairs authorised.
- The Park – Verbal report – no issues
- Riverside Rest – Verbal report – no issues
- Play Park – Paperwork completed – no issues.
- Allotments – Paperwork completed no issues.

24072.7 Flood Action/Pan Parish Forum- The following was reported.

- The Pan Parish forum meeting was one way communication with no questions answered.
- Southern Water seem to be lead authority trying to resolve issues.
- HCC not contributing to resolving flooding or ground water levels.
- Environment Agency have very little work planned in this parish.
- EA updating infiltration plans for 2025.
- 80% improvement to flooding made to Thruxton & Fyfield area by SWA sealing pipes.

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- A survey of houses to see which ones in the parish have suffered flooding may be considered at a later date.
- Cllr Struthers will speak with Cllr Drew to see if HCC can talk to the Parish Council about HCC responsibilities they have for ground water levels.

Resolved: Cllr Willens to draft letter for Clerk to send to SWA.

24073 Correspondence – The following correspondence has been received.

- E mail from resident expressing concern about reckless drivers.

24074 Items for next month's agenda

- Approval for the purchase of two bags of bark chippings for the footpath which entry/exits onto Church Lane.

24052 Date of next meetings

- The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 3rd September 2024 in Goodworth Clatford Village Club open doors at 7.00pm.

Appendix A Borough Councillor Hasselmann and Floods Report:

More Education - Koala A local charity, More Education, operating as Koala, has been given £50K from Test Valley Borough Council to launch a new community hub. The charity is providing support to autistic and neurodivergent people between the ages of 5 and 18 who are unable to access mainstream education. To help address some of this need, Koala wanted to create a dedicated space to enable them to expand their offer of hybrid learning and tutoring sessions, as well as creating a special interest library. More Education (Koala) identified an empty unit in the Chantry Centre as the perfect spot but needed funding to adapt the space to best meet the needs of their users, including installing a platform lift, accessible toilets and other critical work. Koala applied for £50,618 from TVBC's Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) pot, and councillors approved the funding at a cabinet meeting on Wednesday 28 May. It is estimated that the facility will assist an additional 40 to 50 children and young people through tutoring and distance learning. The space will also have the potential to be used by other similar organisations as part of a wider network of support and will benefit users across Test Valley.

Funeral home visits Following the distressing incident at Legacy Independent Funeral Directors in Hull and East Riding, the Council's Environmental Health team visited a number of funeral homes within the borough. These visits have been positive and have not found any concerns to pass onto the police.

Four Fun Fridays Four Fun Fridays is back on 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd August 2024 (11am to 3pm) with a great programme of sporty and Olympic themed activities and performances, as well as our usual celebration of arts from around the world. Keep tuned to the Facebook Page Four Fun Fridays to see more details of the programme, coming soon.... Cllr Susanne Hasselmann, cllrshasselmann@testvalley.gov.uk Cllr Maureen Flood, cllrmflood@testvalley.gov.uk

Appendix B Cllr Drew

£3.8 million awarded to Hampshire for even more fast-track employment training.

Hampshire's Skills Bootcamp training is to run again for a further year, thanks to an award of £3.8 million from the Department for Education (DfE)

This free, fast-track training programme is offered to Hampshire residents and employers, enabling both those in work and job seekers to gain further training and secure higher paid

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roles, with employers benefitting from upskilled employees.

Skills Bootcamp training will boost Hampshire's economy and increase productivity by helping businesses fill specific vacancies which require skills that currently are in short supply.

The courses are flexible with learning planned to fit around professional and family commitments allowing people in different circumstances to gain the skills employers are looking for.

For most Skills Bootcamp courses, no previous knowledge in the subject is needed. Courses can be classroom-based, on-the-job or online and unemployed participants are guaranteed a job interview at the end of their course.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/24052024employmenttrainingPR>

Let's show domestic abuse the red card.

With the UEFA European Championship underway, Hampshire County Council is reminding everyone that there is help available for anyone who may be subjected to domestic abuse and for those needing support to reduce their abusive behaviours. Making a single phone call could make all the difference to someone's safety and wellbeing.

While a major sporting event like the Euros is an exciting time for many, during these events the number of incidents of domestic abuse and violence often goes up. Research shows that domestic abuse incidents increase by more than a third when England loses a game and by around a quarter when they win.

Anyone concerned that domestic abuse may be impacting the welfare of a friend, family member, neighbour or colleague, or concerned about the behaviour of someone they know, should contact [Hampshire Domestic Abuse](#) services. People subjected to domestic abuse and those using abusive behaviours often struggle to reach out and get the help they need, so it is vital that others speak up, if they can.

How to get help

- If you or someone you know is affected by domestic abuse, seek help. Call the [Hampshire Domestic Abuse](#) advice line on 03300 165112.
- If you are in immediate danger, call 999 and ask for the police. If you can't speak and are calling on a mobile, press 55 to have your call transferred to the police. Find out [how to call the police when you can't speak](#).
- If you're concerned about your behaviour towards someone else, help is also available. Call the [Hampton Trust](#) on 023 8000 9898.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/240614noexcuseforabuse>

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Free activities and food for children this summer!

Don't miss out on a summer of free fun and food! That's the message to parents and carers of children eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

1 minute read (215 words)

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Hampshire County Council is reminding families to sign up now to avoid missing out on the many Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) schemes on offer during the school summer holiday (24 July to 30 August 2024).

There is a wide range of fun and interesting crafts, sports and outdoor activities for all ages to choose from, which also include a nutritious meal. Free spaces are available for children who receive benefits-related free school meals and vulnerable children who may benefit from the programme. Many schemes also have paid-for places available.

The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme makes free places available to eligible children for the equivalent of at least four hours a day, four days a week and for six weeks a year. This covers four weeks in the summer and a week's worth of activities in the Easter and Christmas holidays.

Parents and carers who want to find out what is on offer locally can search the [Family Information and Services Hub](#) and then [register online](#) to be able to book a space.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/240620HAFsummer>