

Gosforth Parish Council

Minutes of the virtual Meeting held online on Wednesday 10th June 2020 at 7pm

PRESENT

Paul Turner (PT) – Chairman

Councillors

Mark Fussell (MF)

David Gray (DG)

Dawn Pennington

Graham Hutson (GH)

Rachel Rowe (RR)

Others present: Jacqueline Williams (Clerk)

258/20	Apologies for Absence RESOLVED that apologies from Councillors Norman and McKinley be received and the reasons noted.
259/20	Declarations of Interest – None received.
260/20	Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11th March 2019 RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 th March 2019, pages 71 to 73, be accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
261/20	Public Participation – The Clerk reported that members of the public had been invited to attend but none had contacted her so no members of the public were present.
262/20	RESOLVED that, due to the limited meeting duration, Agenda item 7 be brought forward to ensure that the Annual Governance and Accountability Return can be reviewed for approval.
263/20	Financial Reports The Clerk explained that she had paid an invoice for the Public Hall Insurance as it could only be paid by bank transfer. A cheque has been received in reimbursement which will be deposited as soon as possible.
264/20	RESOLVED that the Bank Reconciliation to 31 st May 2020 be received, noted and signed by the Chairman.
265/20	RESOLVED that the schedule of payments be approved.
266/20	RESOLVED that Section 1 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return be reviewed and approved.
267/20	The Clerk confirmed that all differences have been entered on the appropriate form. RESOLVED that Section 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return be reviewed and approved.
268/20	County Councillor and District Councillors’ Reports – none.

269/20

Planning Applications

Applications

RESOLVED that the Clerk report any comments received from neighbours by email to enable a response to the Planning Authority of the Council’s observations on the applications listed below:

App. No	Location	Proposal	Comment
4/20/4040	High Ghyll Foot, Gosforth	Part two storey and part single storey extension	Letters have been delivered to neighbours - awaiting comments
4/20/4042	60 Meadowfield, Gosforth	Extension and loft conversion	Letters have been delivered to neighbours - awaiting comments

Decisions

RESOLVED that the decision of the Planning Authority for the applications listed below be noted.

App. No	Location	Proposal	Decision
4/20/2087/OG1	Sellafield	Removal of Condition 3	Granted
2/20/2090/OG1	Sellafield	Removal of Condition 2	Granted
4/20/4040	Gosforth Primary School	Modular Classroom	Granted
4/20/9002	Sellafield	Removal of Conditions 1 - 5	Granted

Other Planning Matters – none.

270/20

Highways – missing sign

Cllr. Turner has reported the missing sign at Temple Terrace.

271/20

Public Toilets

The Clerk reported that there is no specific government guidance for the reopening of Public Toilets. There is some guidance for cleaning non-health care settings which differs depending on whether an infected person has been on the premises. A Risk assessment from LDNPA and an email with queries from our Cleaner had been circulated. Cllr. Gray noticed the guttering and a downspout needs repairing at the rear of the building. Cllr. Turner reported that Seascale had reopened last Saturday as the beach was getting busy and the disabled toilet, which is operated by radar key, was being used. Cllr. Turner said that Seascale toilets were in better condition with hot water, new floors etc., and that Gosforth toilets are not fit for purpose and there is no running water to the Gents urinal. Cllr. Gray suggested that we use this time to get repairs done, i.e. guttering, downspout and urinal. Cllr. Rowe suggested keeping the toilets closed until enough money could be raised to upgrade them. Cllr. Hutson agreed with this view. Cllr. Gray also agreed but suggested we should keep on top of the small repairs in the meantime. Cllr. Turner asked Cllr. Gray to discuss the situation with Cllr. Norman and report back. A discussion took place regarding the need for Legionella testing/treatment. Cllr. Fussell was able to make contact with a Legionella contractor who agreed to help. Cllrs. agreed the toilets should remain closed.

RESOLVED that the Public Toilets remain closed and that Legionella testing/treatment be carried just prior to opening.

RESOLVED that the Clerk research possible sources of funding for refurbishment.

DG/TN

MF
Clerk

<p>272/20</p>	<p>Footway Lighting Update The Clerk reported that Chris Shaw was working on this issue but no update had been received.</p>	
<p>273/20</p>	<p>Councillor Administration Cllr. Turner announced that he would be standing down as Chairman. The Clerk advised that this be officially resolved at the next meeting so that a new Chairman can be appointed. In the meantime, Deputy Chair, Cllr. Fussell agreed to stand in. RESOLVED that the resignation and appointment of Chairman be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>274/20</p>	<p>Councillor Matters Cllr. Turner -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Noted that Anthony Millard be informed of any measures taken with regard to the playing field and playground. ➤ Reports that Cyclists coming off the Viking Way are cycling on the pedestrian paths is being dealt with by the 'white line team'. Agenda item – July. <p>Cllr. Gray -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Is working on the gravel pit and has written to the Land Registry. ➤ Has decided to give up the work he does on Tethera. Cllr. Turner thanked Cllr. Gray for the work he has done and noted that the next edition will be Winter. <p>Cllr. Pennington –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Has applied for grants for the volunteer work being undertaken. ➤ Asked if we could help staff at Bradbury House to obtain key-worker slots from ASDA. Cllr. Rowe agreed to intervene. Cllr. Gray thanked the Village shop which delivers next day. ➤ Rural/Village Wheels is a 'no go' at the moment until there is some clarity. Currently only one person is allowed in a Taxi and 2 people in a Minibus. <p>Cllr. Fussell –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Suggested that Cllrs. Pennington and Rowe write an article for Tethera on the work of the volunteers to give credit where it's due. ➤ Had several (socially distanced) conversations with neighbours regarding the planning applications whilst delivering letters. ➤ Has put up signs in the playground. Cllrs. agreed MUGA should be open and the Clerk has produced a sign. Clerk to email Anthony Millard. Cllrs agreed to the purchase of a laminator for future signage. <p>Date of the next meeting The date of the next meeting is scheduled as Wednesday 8th July 2020 at 7pm.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 7:45pm</p> <p>Chairman.....Date.....</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>