

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GOREFIELD PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD IN THE COMMUNITY HALL ON 10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2026**

**Present:** Councillors: Mrs L Hodgson, M Humphrey, A Holt, P Thatcher, N Turner and Mrs E Bramley

Councillor C Tirrell

**Apologies:** Councillors: Mrs S Clark, Mrs D Cutler and G Booth

**71/26 Public Participation**

No members of the public attended the meeting

**72/26** Minutes of meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2026 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

**73/26** A confidential item will be discussed at the end of the meeting

**74/26** Councillors Humphrey and Turner declared a personal or prejudicial interest in any item concerning the Community Hall as he is members of the Playing Field Committee. Councillor Mrs Clark declared a personal or prejudicial interest in any item concerning Fenland Planning Committee as she is a substitute member of the Planning Committee

**75/26 MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None

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**(1) Highway Matters**

Details of all outstanding matters to be e-mailed to Councillor Tirrell

**(2) Speed Watch**

No report received

**(3) Play Equipment**

Repairs are ongoing

(4) **Allotment Inspection and Rent Review**

Councillors visited the allotments and the land. Allotment holder whose plot is in a very poor condition to be written to.

There are two sheds on the land at Cattle Dyke which are in very poor condition. Tenants to be asked to remove.

The 5½ acres of land that will be vacant in October to be advertised at £110 per acre.

Rent for the land will be increased in October 2026 to £110 which is on par with other rents in the area.

(5) **Reports from Cambridgeshire and Fenland DC Councillors**

Nothing to report

(6) **Web site and e-mail addresses**

All Councillors have not got their e-mails set up.

(7) **Register of Interests**

The Councillors all wish to have their home addresses removed from their Register of Interests

77/26 **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

78/26 **PLANNING MATTERS**

Planning applications received:

**F/YR26//0551/F** – Installation of a battery energy storage system (BESS) at Newling Fruitgrowers Ltd Allens Drove – no objections

**F/YR26/0568/F** – erect a first floor extension to rear of existing dwellings – involving the demolition of existing conservatory – 1-3 Cattle Dyke – no objections

Planning Application approved:

**F/YR26/0433/F** - Erect a 2 storey side extension and front porch to existing dwelling involving the demolition of existing rear extension at Homefield Fendyke Lane

Planning application refused:

**F/YR26/0426/PIP** – Permission in principal for 4 dwellings at land south east of 45 Cattle Dyke

79/26      **Financial Matters:**

| Account to be paid:       | Nett          | VAT | Gross          |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----|----------------|
| Scribe (Accounts package) | d/d    £12.00 |     | 2.40    £14.40 |

**Balance of Accounts**

|                          |                  |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Current account          | £23,466.01       |
| Business Premium account | £32,389.78       |
| High Interest account    | <u>£6,052.77</u> |
|                          | £61,908.56       |

80/26      **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

Two properties owned by the Housing Association have been reported. They will investigate the matters

New footpath along Back Road has been completed and it is very useful addition to the road giving better access to the school.

Trees along Fendyke Lane are overgrowing the road making is difficult for high sided vehicles to pass. To be reported to Councillor Tirrell.

Date of next meeting: **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2026**

Signed .....      Date .....