**MINUTES OF GEDNEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT VICTORY HALL ON FEBRUARY 13th 2024**

Presiding over the meeting, Cllr Rollings

In Attendance:

Cllr Reynolds, Cllr Marchant, Cllr Shaw, Cllr Piccaver, 10 members of the Public and Mrs J Ripley, Parish Clerk.

(GDE = Gedney Drove End WMP = Walker Memorial Park QMNR = Queen Mother Nature Reserve)

(GDVG = Gedney Dyke Village Green)

There was a public forum in which a members of the Public addressed the Council on the following:

The necessity of restoration work to the bells (framework) in the tower or St Mary Magdalene Church, Gedney and the need to raise funds for the work.

Request for periodic Council meetings to return to GDE Village Hall

Request for GDE Village Hall to use the WMP for a Fete in the summer.

**8 members of the public left the meeting 7.20pm**

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| **Date** | **Payee** |  | **Item** | **Chq No** | **Net** | **VAT** | **Gross** |
| 16/11/23 | ICO | 58 | Data Protection | **DD** | £35.00 |  | £35.00 |
| 28/12/23 | Mrs Ripley | 59 | Wages Dec |  | £1561.52 |  | £1561.52 |
|  | LCC Pension Fund | 60 | Pension |  | £564.86 |  | £564.86 |
| 31/12/23 | Unity Trust Bank | 61 | Bank Fees | **DD** | £18.00 |  | £18.00 |
| 9/1/24 | HMRC | 62 | PAYE |  | £1411.77 |  | £1411.77 |
|  | SHDC | 63 | Amenity Gras Cutting |  | £865.00 | £173.00 | £1038.00 |
| 28/1/24 | Mrs Ripley | 64 | Wages Jan |  | £1578.40 |  | £1578.40 |
| 13/2/24 | Mrs Ripley | 65 | Expenses |  | £243.25 |  | £243.25 |
|  | Andrew Belson | 66 | Tree Survey |  | £740.00 | £148.00 | £888.00 |
|  | SLCC  | 67 | Subs 2024 |  | £187.20 |  | £187.20 |
|  | ALCC | 68 | Subs 2024 |  | £50.00 |  | £50.00 |

Cllr Rollings proposed payments be made as put before them, Cllr Marchant seconded, Item RESOLVED.Cllrs Shaw & Piccaver checked and signed payments.c. Money in National Grid- Wayleave £91.26 UKSPF 50% of Grant £6920.00d. Update on new mandate signatory.Cllr Marchant has been added to Mandate and will report to next meeting regarding internet access.e. Update on opening a Unity Trust Savings account.Savings account is now open.f. Third 1/4 net position (circulated)No questions on above.**8.24 TO CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE AND RESOLVE ACCORDINGLY**1. LALC – Newsletters (circulated)
2. LCC – Lincolnshire Devolution engagement Survey(circulated)
3. SHDC – Request for information re bin WMP (Chair dealt with)
4. Parishioner x 2 email – Draft Notes
5. Netwise – Year roundup (circulated)
6. Andrew Belson – Full Tree Survey (circulated)
7. SHDC – Precept form
8. SHDC Chairman – Coffee morning invite (circulated)
9. Chairman GDE Village Hall – Complaint re Councils meeting venue

Following a discussion Council RESOLVED that Clerk write to establish if GDE will offer same service as Victory Hall, if so then periodic meetings could resume at GDE in 2025.1. LCC – Bus stop installations for Call Connect.

Clerk to reply with Councils comments.1. LCC – Searches on Gedney Green (circulated)
2. LCC Devolution Consultation (circulated)
3. SHDC – 2024 Amenity Grass Cutting quotation.
4. LALC – Training Scheme Schedule of fees
5. LALC- Subscription
6. SLCC – Subscription
7. SHDC – Planning response change (circulated)
8. UKSPF – Grant funding offer
9. Parishioner- Footpath Pinstock Lane (Clerk dealt with)
10. UKSPF – Follow up for information on progress of project.
11. Unity Trust Bank – Savings account opening
12. Cllr H Bingham – Update on Batemans Close
13. London Hearts – 50% match funded Defibrillators

**9.24 CONSIDER PARISH COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITES AND RESOLVE ACCORDINGLY**Clerk and Chair have meeting with new Ground maintenance company on Friday.a. Cemetery – All Good although very wet.b. Walker Memorial Park All good at the park other than very waterlogged. c. Queen Mother Nature Reserve: Park is very wet, car park to remain closed for the foreseeable future.d. Gedney Dyke Village Green Play Area – Very wete. Allotments: Chair and Clerk to Check on Dyke in Lowgate on Fridayf. Any Other area: Defibrillator in Gedney Dyke to be checked for date on Pads.Funding to be sought from Wind Farm at end of year to replace 2 defibrillators due to expire in 2025.**10.24 TO CONSIDER FULL TREE SURVEY AND RESOLVE ACCORDINGLY**Following a discussion Council RESOLVED to have work done in the Autumn, it is alllow risk and birds will be nesting shortly.**11.24** **UPDATE ON NATURE RESERVE PROJECT & RESOLVE ACCORDINGLY**Having been awarded the grant funding from UKSPF Grassroots hedging work will be underway shortly.Wildflower meadow seed to be ordered. Work on meadow will start as soon as ground conditions allow.**12.24 TO UPDATE ON** **ZIP WIRE PROJECT AND RESOLVE ACCORDINGLY** Zip wire has been ordered; lead time is 6-8 weeks so ground conditions should be better by then.**13.24 TO REVIEW & ADOPT POLICY**Review Open Public Forum Policy, Social Media Policy & Lone Worker PolicyCouncil reviewed the above and made no changes.**14.24 TO RESOLVE ON REPLIES TO CONSULTATIONS**None.**15.24 TO REVIEW CEMETERY FEES**Council RESOLVED for all fees to stay unchanged but to add a fee for transfer of exclusive rights at a sum of £50.00.**16.24 TO UPDATE ON OPTIONS FOR PLAY AREA/EQUIPMENT IN GEDNEY ANDRESOLVE ACCORDINGLY** Replies have been received from all outside agencies regarding the Green at Gedney.Unfortunately, there are quite a few services across the site, couple this with the process of a stopping up order and necessity to find the owner as the land is unregistered and this option has been deemed untenable.SHDC has been approached with a proposal for the use of part of Batemans Close and Council now awaits a reply.**17.24 TO** **CONSIDER ITEMS FOR PARISH MEETING** None.**18.24 TO RESOLVE ON REPLACING XEROX PRINTER**Council RESOLVED for the Clerk to spend up to £250 when printer needs replacement.**19.24** **TO CONSIDER APPLYING TO WINDCLUSTER FUND FOR GRANT TO COVER SUBSCRIPTION TO SHVCS & RESOLVE ACCORDINGLY**Council RESOLVED to apply to the Wind farm for grant funding to cover 4-5 years of this scheme.**20.24 HIGHWAYS & FOOTWAYS**a. Update on outstanding mattersClerk to contact Speedwatch for an update.b. To report any new matters.None**21.24 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**: 12th March 2024 at Gedney Victory Hall following the Parish meetingThere being no more business to transact the meeting closed at 8.20pmSigned DateChairman |
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