

Garthorpe and Coston Parish Council

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Parish Council Meeting

Following on from Annual Meeting on 17th September 2019

Venue: Buckminster Village Hall

Present:

Councillors H Chubb (HC) (Chair) S McGrath (SM) C Robinson (CR) D Robinson (DR) County Councillor Byron Rhodes (BR) Clerk: R Breakwell (RB)

Minutes

25/19 Apologies for absence Jackie Wallace

26/19 Declarations of Interest None

Minutes of the meeting of 25th July 2019 were approved as a true and accurate record of the meetings with two additions to the Minutes to be made. One addition was regarding the Clerk to find out Leicestershire County Council's grass cutting frequency and the other addition was about DR's information about a Defibrillator being sited in the Garthorpe which he gave to the meeting.

RB The St Andrews Parish Church Parochial Church Council to correct Minutes of 25th July 2019

Public Forum No public were present

27/19 Annual Return

RB told the Council that an AGAR Certificate of Exemption had been given for the Annual Return as the annual gross income or expenditure is under a certain threshold, currently £25,000 in the year of account ended 31 March 2019. RB had sent to HC the confirmatory email from the SBA Team at PKF Littlejohn LLP who deal with these matters.

28/19 St Andrews Parish Church, Coston Grant

DR asked what the grant covered. HC explained that the grant funds the upkeep of the St Andrews Church Coston grounds and had previously been agreed by the Parish Council. The St Andrews Parish Church Parochial Church Council will submit the request for payment in the late autumn with evidence of the payments made.

Councillors agreed to make the payment following the receipt of the request. RB to make payment once request for payment received.

29/19 List of payments required

Buckminster Village Hall hire - 15.00 for 17/09

It was agreed to pay the items listed. Action Point: RB to make payment listed

30/19 Parish Events

JW wasn't present at the meeting so this wasn't discussed.

31/19 Any other business

Defibrillator

DR had done more research on the true costs of a defibrillator Roughly £900 would be needed with a decision as to siting being the most difficult issue. Councillors were in agreement subject to more information being provided and HC was pleased it wasn't the thousands previously understood to be the cost. The Garthorpe church was suggested as a central point for siting the defibrillator but HC was certain that Church Conservation Trust would probably not be in agreement with that.

DR to look at siting and speak to Buckminster Estate

Condition of Parish Road & flooding generally

Leicestershire County Councillor Byron Rhodes who is a Portfolio holder for Roads kindly explained the pressure on the County's roads budget and the process for getting the roads improved, especially potholes. DR explained the peculiar system he had experienced in reporting problems especially with Wymondham Road, Garthorpe that reference numbers given for reporting complaints didn't link up with reference numbers held by the LCC. The potholes on Wymondham Road, especially at the access to the racecourse, were raised as was the continuing problem with the cattle gridded road to Waltham. The latter is not in the Garthorpe and Coston Parish but is used a lot

by parishioners. Cllr Rhodes said that he would report back his findings on those matters

Garthorpe and Coston Parish Council website

CR and RB to liaise to undertake training on posting items on the website.