

Garthorpe and Coston Parish Council

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Parish Council Meeting

19.30 hrs on 25th July 2019

Venue: Buckminster Village Hall

Present: _____

Councillors H Chubb (HC) (Chair) S McGrath (SM) C Robinson (CR) D Robinson (DR) J Wallace (JW) Clerk: R Breakwell (RB)

Minutes

14/19	Apologies for absence	Cllr Rhodes and Cllr Graham
15/19	Declarations of Interest	None
16/19	Minutes of the meeting of 11 th February 2019 were approved as a true and accurate record of the meetings with one amendment to the correct surname for previous Parish Councillor A Atkins. HC wanted to record her thanks to the outgoing Parish Councillors David Chubb, Frank Cunningham and Alisa Atkins. David has given 20 years service to Garthorpe and Coston Parish Council, Frank has much local knowledge which has proved very useful and Alisa had first come to Garthorpe and Coston Parish Council as Clerk and then became a Parish Councillor. HC asked that any future Minutes were produced with action points and the relevant person's initials as to who was dealing with the item recorded against the action point.	
17/19	Public Forum	No public were present

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Annual Return

HC told RB that she had sent the paperwork through to her regarding this. It was originally sent from PKF Littlejohn and needed to be attended to urgently. The Annual Return is usually dealt with in June but due to having only one confirmed Parish Councillor until recently it had not been able to undertake it. Action Point: Annual Return - RB to deal with PKF Littlejohn correspondence.

19/19

Financial Statements

The previous bank balance for the Garthorpe and Coston Parish Council was 5263.79 and two cheques each for 15.00 being the Buckminster Village Hall hire fee for two Parish Council meetings had been presented. The present balance is 5233.79. HC has copies as to what the Parish Council has budgetted. Councillors noted this item.

20/19

List of payments required

Nark Design Website Development - 499.00

LRALC Annual Fee - 87.96

Insurance - BHIB - 172.55

Buckminster Village Hall hire - 15.00 for 25/07

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

21/19

Garthorpe and Coston Parish Council website

HC outlined the vision for the website. It is anticipated that as well as the Parish Council information such as Agendas, Minutes and generic email addresses to contact Parish Councillors other information is included such as historical information about the churches and villages and parish events. HC said that David Chubb has lots of information about the churches that could go on the website. HC also said that David Lee held a lot of information. CR offered to help RB load items on the website after training has been to

RB by Nark Design. Action Point: RB to contact Nark Design to arrange training

22/19

Condition of Parish Roads

DR stated that he had concerns about the stretch of Wymondham Road Garthorpe at the turn in to the racecourse. He had bumped into a woman from Leicestershire County Council who was checking potholes. DR has now registered a complaint with the County Council about the huge pothole there that has recently been filled by someone locally with mud. The County Council are supposed to revert to DR about it within a week. HC suggested that Leicestershire County Councillor Rhodes be informed of the present complaint. Action Point: DR to inform the Parish Council at it's next meeting what the County Council proposes to do.

HC said that the dumping of tarmac in Garthorpe by the footbridge over the river is leading to the loss of the green space there which is a shame.

RB said about the damage to King Street and the verge on the lane to Sproxton from Coston beyond the ford by 4x4 drivers.

23/19

Signage in Coston

HC said that former Parish Councillor Alisa Atkins (AA) had done a lot of work regarding this especially about the problems with Grange Lane Coston and the need for some kind of sign informing drivers following a Sat Nav. HC explained that AA had pursued the options with Leicestershire County Council as to signage but nothing had been offered by the County Council as a solution.

24/19

Parish Events

DR said that he had asked for this item to be put on the Agenda and JW said that if anything was put on the amount of effort was not to be underestimated. Various types of events were discussed e.g. craft fairs, music events and it was agreed that events such as these are a great way to

bring communities together. HC said there was scope for doing something. JW said that she would give this some consideration as did CR and DR.

RB said she understood there is a baby to be born shortly in The Row Garthorpe and asked whether Councillors would be agreeable to the Parish Council recognising this by way of sending it's good wishes. This was agreed.

CR mentioned the creation of an informal Good Neighbour Scheme to help villagers in Garthorpe and Coston in emergencies or unexpected issues, even if by way of a Garthorpe and Coston Whatsapp group. Action Point: CR and RB to discuss this further