

GUNNESS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Gunness Parish Council, held on Thursday 30th October 2025 at 7:00pm, at Gunness Village Hall, Gunness, Scunthorpe.

Present - Cllr T Gosling (Chairman), Cllr E Gray (Vice-Chairman), Cllr L Gosling, Cllr D Whiteley, Cllr B Berridge-Burley, Cllr D Medley, Cllr S Priest, Cllr B Etchell.

01.10.2025 - Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr P McIlvaney, Cllr D Hart, Cllr M Armitage, Cllr D West, Cllr S Armitage (dispensation until September 2026), Cllr L Walker (dispensation agreed until April 2026), Cllr D West (dispensation agreed until April 2026).

02.10.2025 - Declarations of Interests

None.

03.10.2025a - Minutes - To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th September, 2025

The Parish Council considered the minutes dated 18.09.2025. **Resolution - The Parish Council confirmed the minutes dated 18.09.2025 were a true and accurate record.**

03.10.2025b - Questions & Updates from the minutes

Cllr E Gray to arrange for Contractors to quote for the refurbishment of the Remembrance Area for the Clerk to apply for the SSE Grant.

04.10.2025 - Report from North Lincolnshire Ward Councillor

Cllr J Walshe reported the following -

- NLC Highways have confirmed a pedestrian crossing would not be considered in Gunness for the school children crossing as not enough pedestrians use the road and due to planning constraints, this will not be considered.
- NLC have requested Network Rail remove the flags on Keadby Bridge, but they advised they will be left up until they are either dishevelled or a safety concern.
- NLC installed further signage in the summer to make people aware of the motorway crossing.
- Streetlighting - This meets statutory guidelines on brightness. Cllr G Berridge-Burley disagreed and complained that elderly residents are using torches to see in the street at night.

- Flooding - I will liaise with Graham to obtain further information and arrange for the leaves and gulleys to be dealt with.
- Lodge Moor Fly Tipping - This has now been collected.
- NLC Air Frier Scheme - This has now been extended.
- M181 Southern Junction - This is now open, and the next work will be the eastern connection. This will be funded by the Developer under a Section 106 agreement. Cllr T Gosling asked if this will be prior to the houses being built and Cllr J Walshe confirmed yes as the infrastructure will be in place first.
- Cllr S Priest asked when the potholes will be completed at Station Road and Neap House Road and Cllr J Walshe agreed to chase.
- Cllr G Berridge-Burley asked why there had been 3 power cuts lately. Cllr J Walshe advised a power line had been down.
- Cllr T Gosling asked for an update on the planning application behind Tesco. Cllr J Walshe confirmed this had been called to the planning committee to complete a site visit due to concerns over access.

05.10.2025 - **Members of the Public to raise any topic for discussion**

None.

06.10.2025(a) - **Accounts for payment and any other late invoices received**

The Parish Council considered the following accounts for payment

- GVH Electric Share - £31.85
- GVH FIT Payment - £413.25
- D Wattam - £40
- Ricks Grass - £1,404.00 & £1,770
- ICO - £52.00
- Sims Flowers - £50.00
- Crosby Cabz - £85

Resolution - The Parish Council agreed all payments paid as detailed.

06.10.2025(b) - **To set the budget & precept for 2026/2027**

The Parish Council considered the financial information provided from the Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer.

Resolution - The Parish Council agreed to set the budget & precept for 2026/2027 at £59,000 inclusive of any grants from North Lincolnshire Council. Proposed by Cllr T Gosling, seconded by Cllr E Gray and all in favour. Cllr S Priest declared a non-prejudicial interest on the Quilty Pleasures Sewing Group donation.

07.10.2025 - Planning Matters

Cllr B Etchell confirmed the application for the site behind Tesco had gone to the planning committee for a site visit.

08.10.2025a - Matters relating to Lodge Moor Estate

Cllr D Whiteley asked who is responsible for the state of the pensioners bungalows car park. Cllr J Walshe advised that Ongo are responsible.

08.10.2025b - Request for funding consideration for the CCTV Camera annual data charge

Clerk advised the charge after the first 2 years will be £720 annually. Cllr D Whiteley proposed the £500 HALMA payment be used towards this in the first instance.

Resolution - The Parish Council agreed to pay this for the first 2 years and review after this period to ensure that it warrants the use and fee and agreed to use the HALMA payment towards this.

09.10.2025 - Matters relating to Hilton Avenue Estate

Cllr L Gosling requested the kerbs and gulleys are cleared, and the road sweeper is required. Cllr J Walshe to request from NLC.

10.10.2025 - Playing Field Matters

Cllr E Gray confirmed the 2 abandoned cars have now been removed with thanks to all involved in a great team effort.

Cllr B Etchell confirmed he has received the Remembrance Day Wreath and will lay at the event on behalf of the Parish Council.

- Email from GVH re lighting used for winter football training - Clerk read out request from GVH. **Resolution - The Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to obtain 2 quotations to be considered at the next meeting in January 2026.**

11.10.2025 - Correspondence

- Hornsby's Bus Trip 2026 - **Resolution - The Parish Council gave permission for the Clerk to accept the quotation at a cost of £1,100.**

- Any updates on the cleaning of the bus shelters - Clerk provided a quote of £300 to bring up to standard and then £40 per month thereafter for all 4 bus shelters.

Resolution - The Parish Council agreed to this quotation. Clerk to instruct the bus shelter cleaner.

- Email re Pensioners Xmas Dinner - Clerk read out email from GVH to advise the cost is £1,300 - **Resolution - The Parish Council agreed to pay £1,300 for the Pensioners Xmas Dinner.**
- Keadby Next Generation Power Station - Notification in accordance with Section 56 of the planning Act 2008 - Read out and Noted.
- NLC Gunness Local Plan Consultation - Read out and Noted.
- NLC - Sale of Community Asset - Sands Venue Stadium Car Park, Glanford Park - Cllr T Gosling declared a non-prejudicial interest. Clerk read out the letter advising of the process. Noted. Cllr T Gosling advised he has requested Gunness Parish Council should be consulted on Zone X as a statutory consultee.
- NLC Service Level Agreement. **Resolution - The Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to accept sign and return. It was noted this was received 7 months late this year.**
- NLC Play Inspection - This was again received late from NLC; 5 months after this was carried out. Clerk to liaise with Cllr E Gray to check if the recommendations have already been actioned.

12.10.2025 - **NATS Issues/Updates**

Cllr J Walshe advised the next meeting is on 2nd December 2025 at 5:30pm at Lodge Moor Community Centre. He confirmed at the latest meeting there were no issues raised concerning Gunness.

13.10.2025 - **Any update on the Parish Council Website & GDPR**

The Parish Council are monitoring for updates.

14.10.2025 - **Councillors Reports**

Cllr E Gray has been made aware of drones recording over the common and horses in stables in the village during the early hours. This has been reported to the Police and incidents like this have occurred in other parts of the Country. Cllr T Gosling reminded residents to be vigilant.

15.10.2025 - **To confirm the date and time of the next meeting in January 2026**

Clerk to confirm to Councillors the agreed date of the next meeting in January 2026 once venue availability has been confirmed.

Meeting closed at 20:04 hours.

Private Session PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

The Chairman will move that the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business pursuant to section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by

reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, in that it is of a personal matter.

16.10.2025 - Payroll Information - To approve payment of salaries, pension, expenses & HMRC as per salary schedule circulated

Resolution - That all payments be paid as detailed.

Meeting closed at 20:06 hours.