

**Minutes of a meeting of the Gaydon Parish Council held on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at the Village Hall, Gaydon at 7.30pm**

**Present** : Parish Councillors Adrian Claxton - Chair, Mark Ashton, Stuart Richardson

Councillor Chris Mills, Warwickshire County Council

Angela Clarke (Parish Clerk)

There were 11 members of the public in attendance.

**1. Apologies**

Apologies received from Councillors John Davies, Maria Carr and Karen Ward for personal reasons. It was resolved to accept their apologies.

**2. Minutes of the Parish council meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2023**

To be carried forward to the next meeting

**3. Declarations of interest**

None made.

**4. Dispensations**

None received.

**5. Matters arising**

All details now received from councillor to progress the updating of the Parish council online banking.

**6. District Councillor and County Councillor Reports -Cllr Alan Scorer**

County Councillor Chris Mills' full monthly report is enclosed at Appendix A to these Minutes. Cllr Mills highlighted the following items ; there is help available for the cost of living crisis, the Green bus school service is no longer operating and 10<sup>th</sup> September is World Suicide prevention day. This link to be shared with the parish news <https://www.dearlife.org.uk/>

Stratford District Councillor Alan Scorer sent apologies via Councillor Mills.

Stratford District council ( SDC) have agreed to reintroduce concessionary parking permits at £50 per year. Contact them to pay for one.

Hedges and tree off St Marks Close – the tree is hanging over and is on Orbit land. Cllr Claxton asked for this to be progressed with Orbit on behalf of the residents.

**7. Updates**

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| (i) Community Spaces  | <b>Cllr Ashton</b>     |
| The bollards by the garage are working effectively to prevent parking on this side of the road. |                        |
| (ii) Roads, Community Safety, Street lighting   | <b>Cllr Claxton</b>    |
| No update given   |                        |
| (iii) Drains  | <b>Cllr Richardson</b> |

Signed..... ( Chair )

Date.....

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No update available	
(iv) Community Forum	<b>Cllr Claxton/Cllr Davies</b>
Meeting not yet happened	
(v) Street furniture	<b>Cllr Carr</b>
No update provided	
(vi) Neighbourhood Planning	<b>Cllr Ward</b>
No update provided	
(vii) Website	<b>Cllr Richardson</b>
This will be progressed before the next meeting.	

**8. Grant request**

Request received from the Parish news for £132 for 12 month paper costs for the Gaydon Parish magazine which has been provided in previous years was approved.

**9. Playground works**

The Council want to obtain other quotes for the work before proceeding with the current quote. Clerk to find other company names and contact details for who can complete this work.

**10. Finance**

Following consideration of the Finance Report it was **RESOLVED** that the following payments are approved:

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Gross £</u>	<u>VAT £</u>	<u>Net £</u>
September_23_1	Yu Energy- Street Lighting – January	£16.70	£0.80	£15.90
September_23_2	Yu Energy- Street Lighting – January	£143.39	£6.83	£136.56
September_23_3	Clerk’s salary – A. Clarke	£357.68	£0.00	£357.68
September_23_4	Benchmark July 2023 grounds maintenance	£633.25	£105.54	£527.71
September_23_5 Subject to item 8 approval	Parish magazine = 12 months paper costs	£132.00	£0.00	£132.00
	<b><u>Totals</u></b>			
	<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>	<u>£1283.02</u>	<u>£113.17</u>	<u>£1169.85</u>
	<b><u>Income Total</u></b>			
	CIL monies credited July 2023	<u>£1158.32</u>	<u>£0.00</u>	<u>£1158.32</u>

See APPENDIX B for August 2023 bank reconciliation

Signed..... ( Chair )

Date.....

**11. Open Forum**

A local resident wanted to make the meeting aware that Dave Brightman’s farm is for sale.

A resident advised that the pond on the Banbury road has been filled in and will no longer be able to carry the volume of water it could previously hold. The driveway has moved further down the Banbury road. This could be in breach of the planning permission, 22/01915/FUL. Cllr Claxton to contact the enforcement officer to advise what’s happening on site.

An update was requested on the planning application for the M40 / Jn 12, planning reference 23/01054/OUT. The local resident was advised to look at the Stratford district planning site where all relevant dates are published. The Chair reminded members of the public that the Parish council could not be involved in any activity organised from the village such as protests. The question was asked about before and after images of the site and how they could be created. It was suggested to ask on social media for anyone with the relevant skills to help.

It was suggested that on church road the line of the junction had changed when the road was retarmacked. Cllr Claxton to contact Jeoff Hobday in the Highways department at Warwickshire County Council for verification.

A local resident asked for an update on the Solar farm planned at Jaguar Landrover ( JLR) and were advised by Cllr Claxton that National Grid and JLR were in the process of working out how to power the site.

**12. Standing orders to review**

Standing orders were updated with the timeframes discussed at the 1<sup>st</sup> August 2023 parish meeting and circulated to councillors. Agreed to adopt these standing orders going forwards.

**13. Planning applications**

**23/01994/FUL** Erection of surface-mounted ancillary storage building of non-permanent construction on existing hardstanding on land off Banbury Road, Gaydon Jaguar Land Rover, Banbury Road, Gaydon, Warwick CV35 OBJ.

No representation to be made by the council.

**Next Parish council meeting is Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 7.30pm**

The Meeting closed at 8.16pm

## APPENDIX A

### County Councillor report Gaydon Parish Council Meeting 5th September 2023

#### World Suicide Prevention Day

September 10 is World Suicide Prevention Day but suicide prevention is something we work towards every day. If you are struggling or know someone else who is, visit Dear Life for advice and access to support: <https://www.dearlife.org.uk/>

#### Withdrawal of Green Bus service

Warwickshire County Council has moved to reassure the families of young people eligible for free transport to their schools, who have been affected by the withdrawal of The Green Bus Service, that an alternative service will be found.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4468/withdrawal-of-the-green-bus-service-update-30-08-23>

#### Ridleys Coaches

For all those impacted by the withdrawal of The Green Bus there are now spaces between Stratford and Alcester. Please continue to follow Ridleys Coaches Limited for updates on new routes and bookings. [https://facebook.com/ridleyscoaches?ref=embed\\_page](https://facebook.com/ridleyscoaches?ref=embed_page)

#### Help from WCC

If you are struggling with money and need help now, Warwickshire County Council can help with:

Food. Energy and water bills. Money advice. Aspects of family life. Accessing emergency food. Mental health support.

Find help here: <https://costoflivingwarwickshire.co.uk/home/i-need-urgent-help>

#### Support for children and young people returning to school this September

Warwickshire County Council (WCC) is offering guidance and support for parents and carers to help their children and young people return to school in September.

Read more here: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4422/support-for-children-and-young-people-returning-to-school-this-september>

#### Young Carer

If you're a Young Carer heading back to education in the next week, you don't have to struggle between school/college and your caring commitments, there is support for you. Go to [www.caringtogetherwarwickshire.org.uk](http://www.caringtogetherwarwickshire.org.uk) Warwickshire is here to help you.

#### Migrant Communities Grant Fund

The Warwickshire County Council's Migrant Communities Grant Fund is a grant aimed at community and voluntary sector organisations which support asylum seeker, refugee, and migrant communities. The Fund pot of £35,000 is to support small-scale projects across Warwickshire that support the following outcome: *People fleeing conflict and persecution can rebuild their lives in Warwickshire, fulfil their aspirations and contribute to the social, economic and cultural life of the communities they live in.* The grant opens on Monday 4 September at 9am with the **deadline of Sunday 15 October at 5pm.**

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/migration-services/migrant-communities-grant-fund>

The grant webinar providing more information and an opportunity to get support with the application will be taking place on 20 September at 6.30pm.

To register for the webinar, please visit: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/wcc-migrant-communities-grant-fund-webinar-tickets-710201691377?aff=oddtcreator>

### **Supporting SEND transitions**

Warwickshire County Council has worked closely with parents, carers and professionals to create a one-stop-shop for advice and guidance to support smooth transitions back to school for children and young people with SEND.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4464/new-one-stop-shop-to-support-transitions-for-children-and-young-people-in-warwickshire>

### **Support for students in prison**

A Kineton-based business which supports prisoner rehabilitation is expanding its reach and growing its influence following support from Coventry & Warwickshire CDA.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4461/cda-support-helps-dwrms-to-help-more-students-in-prison>

### **Supporting young people and their mental health**

Everyone experiences ups and downs in their mental health. Learning how to protect your mental health and create positive mental health habits from an early age can help young people deal with stressful times.

Read more about the support available

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4433/supporting-young-people-and-their-mental-health>

### **Support for children and young people**

Is your child feeling anxious about starting school or moving into a new class this September? It can be a worrying time for you and your child, so it's a good idea to start preparing now for changes in routine and to think about how you can support them to settle in more easily. For further tips and advice, read more

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/4422/support-for-children-and-young-people-returning-to-school-this-september>

### **Child exploitation**

Child exploitation does happen in Warwickshire - keep your child safe while schools are closed this summer. Make sure you know where they are, who they are with and what they are doing in your community and online. Learn about the signs of exploitation and what to do if you are concerned about a child or young person at [www.somethingsnotright.co.uk/](http://www.somethingsnotright.co.uk/) or call 01926 414144 (9am-5pm, Monday-Friday).

### **Reducing chances of developing dementia**

There is currently no way we can completely prevent dementia, but research suggests there are some simple things we can do to reduce the risk of developing certain types of dementia. For further information visit <https://dementia.warwickshire.gov.uk/reducing-your-risk/>

**Caring for someone with dementia**

If you or someone you know has dementia, there are services available to support you.

Support services can help you to navigate a dementia diagnosis, understanding what the next steps are and help you to manage the changes in your life.

Find out more at <https://dementia.warwickshire.gov.uk/>

Chris Mills

County Councillor

**APPENDIX B**

**July payments made late on 2nd August 2023**

**Bank Reconciliation - 31st August 2023**

	£	£	£
<b>Unity Trust Current account</b>			
<b>Opening Balance 3rd August 2023</b>			<b>37767.01</b>
<b>Less payments</b>			
Yu Energy	Street Lighting Supply	143.39	
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A. Clarke	Clerk's salary	363.66	
Benchmark	Grasscutting	633.25	
NALC	Good ocuncillor guides	24.45	
Brandon Evans	Cemetery footpath & turning circle relaying	6900.00	
<b>Total outgoings</b>			<b>8081.45</b>
<b>Add income received</b>			
		0.00	0.00
<b>Cashbook at 31st August</b>			<b>29685.56</b>
Less payments outstanding		0.00	
<b>Closing Balance at 3rd August</b>	0.00	0.00	<b>29685.56</b>