# Godstone Parish Council

(serving the Villages of Godstone, South Godstone and Blindley Heath)

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## Minutes of the meeting

of Godstone Parish Council Greenspaces Committee
held on 26th October 2026 at **10am** at **The Bounty**

**Present:** Cllr S Beagley, Cllr D Christmas, Cllr C Farr, Cllr S Farr
**In attendance:** J Coulthard (Clerk)

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| **G34/26** | **1 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC** | |
| | **As Cllr Case was unable to attend the meeting Cllr Beagley agreed to chair.**<br>There were no residents in attendance and no questions received in correspondence prior to the meeting. | |
| **G35/26** | **2 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE** | |
| | Apologies received and accepted for Cllr Case | |
| **G36/26** | **3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** | |
| | None | |
| **G37/26** | **4 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** | |
| | The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th September 2026 were agreed and signed as true record at the full Parish Council (PC) meeting on the 5th of October therefore there were no minutes to be signed. (LGA 1972 Sch.12 s41) | |
| **G38/26** | **5 REVIEW OF ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING** | |
| | 5.1 **Heathview –** Cllr Beagley and Cllr Farr asked the Clerk if a letter had been sent regarding getting a commercial wayleave in place. The Clerk advised that a letter had not been sent but more work needed to be done before a letter could be sent. She advised that current wayleave agreement template had been reviewed by the PC's solicitor who had confirmed it was not fit for purpose. The Clerk recommended that the solicitor be asked to draft a new commercial wayleave agreement. The Clerk also asked the Committee to consider what fee they would want to charge for a commercial wayleave once a new template agreement was available. **IT WAS AGREED** that the Clerk would ask the solicitor to quote for drafting a new commercial wayleave agreement template.<br>Item 7.3 Blindley Heath Maynard's Wayleave was brought forward for discussion. The owners of the property are disputing the PC's ownership of the land that is subject to the Wayleave. The Clerk reported that she is working with the Parish Council's solicitors on this issue and had gathered various documents showing which land the PC owned. The Clerk advised that she had gone back to the Surrey Commons Registrar to ask for more documents and was currently waiting to hear from them. She reported that the solicitor had also advised that the domestic wayleave agreement needed | **JC**<br><br>**SB** |

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| | work. **IT WAS AGREED** that the Clerk would ask the solicitor to quote for drafting a new domestic wayleave agreement.<br><br>5.2 **Hunters Chase Play Area** – The Clerk had briefed Cllrs prior to the meeting that the pond adjacent to the play area was not included in the land that was subject to the transfer from TDC. Cllr Beagley requested that the Clerk ask TDC to fence off the pond from the playground prior to the transfer being executed. **IT WAS AGREED** that the Clerk would ask TDC to fence off the pond.<br><br>5.3 **Repair Work at the bounty -** Cllr Beagley advised that the trench required at the back of the Bounty would be done at the same times as the planting of the trees donated by the Godstone Village Association. The remaining outstanding work to fix the floor and finish the decorating must wait until the trench is dug. Cllr Beagley agreed to get someone to assess the floor with a view to quoting for the work once the trench work was completed. The Clerk reported that the tree branches growing into the air sourced heat pump had now been pollarded.<br><br>5.4**The Pavilion** - Cllrs Beagley advised that he and Cllr Case would set up a meeting with the Godstone Sports Association to discuss the Pavilion. | **JC**<br><br>**JC**<br><br>**LC/SB** |
| **G39/26** | **6 TREES** | |
| | **10:25am Cllr Christmas joined the meeting.**<br><br>6.1 **Tree Survey Works** – The Clerk reported that majority of the tree work identified in the tree surveys was now booked with the work on Godstone Green booked for the 8th December, the work at the Enterdent booked for the 4th and 5th of January and the work at Blindley Heath booked for the 7th and 8th of January. | |
| **G40/26** | **7 BUILDINGS, GREEN, COMMONS, AND LAND** | |
| | 7.1 **Parish Noticeboards** – The Clerk reported that the new noticeboards had been ordered although they would not be despatched until payment had been made. The payment to be authorised at the November full Parish Council meeting. Cllr Beagley mentioned that the PC should let the Foreman Club & Institute know out of courtesy. **IT WAS AGREED** that Cllr S Farr would speak to the manager of the club.<br><br>7.2 **Godstone Playground Inspection** – The Clerk advised that the playground inspection was carried out and that the Asst. Clerk had received the inspection report. The Asst. Clerk and Cllr Case would meet to go through the report.<br><br>7.3 **The Bounty Works** – Cllr Beagley reported that he will speak to Godstone Sports Association to remove the nets behind the Bounty so that the work at the back of the building can be completed.<br><br>7.4 **Hunters Chase Play Area** – already discussed under agenda item 5.1<br>Cllrs asked about progress on the Featherstone play area and Public Toilets transfers. The Clerk advised that transfer of the Featherstone play area was progressing and there were no issues. The Public toilets were still on hold pending obtaining quotes for cleaning and a chat with other Parish Councils within Tandridge who were considering taking over Public Toilets in their Parishes. **IT WAS AGREED** that the Clerk would arrange for firm quotes for cleaning to be obtained and contact the Clerk at Whyteleafe | **SF**<br><br>**LC/GM**<br><br>**JC** |

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| **G41/26** | **8 CORRESPONDENCE** | |
| | None. | |
| **G42/26** | **9 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON FUTURE AGENDAS** | |
| | • Wayleaves update<br>• Fairalls (Taylors Yard) update<br>• Public Toilets update<br>• Hunters Chase update<br>• Featherstone update | |
| **G43/26** | **10 AOB** | |
| | Cllr Beagley asked Cllr Christmas for an update on his meeting with the Japanese Knotweed contractor. Cllr Christmas reported that he had visited Fairalls (Taylors Yard) with the contractor to look at the possibility of tackling hard to reach spots through the yard. Cllr Christmas reported that he was happy that the contractor knew what he was doing and was happy with the progress.<br>**IT WAS AGREED** that the Clerk would make provision in the PC budget for more eradication work next year.<br>The Clerk mentioned that the poppies needed putting up for Remembrance Day. Cllr S Farr volunteered to put the poppies up in Blindley Heath but could not do it on her own. The Clerk said she would ask Cllr Goodman if he would be able to help. Cllr Christmas volunteered to put up poppies in Godstone and that he would speak to Cllr Case to coordinate efforts in Godstone.<br>The Clerk advised she would leave the poppies on the chair in the PC Office for collection. | **JC**<br><br>**JC** |
| **G44/26** | **11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING TO BE AGREED** | |
| | **IT WAS AGREED** that the next meeting would be held at 10am on the Monday 30th November 20206. | |

There being no other business the Chair closed the meeting at 11:23am.

Signed by Print Name Date