GARTON ON THE WOLDS PARISH COUNCIL

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Garton on the Wolds Parish Council – Minutes of a meeting held on the **8th June 2016** at 7.15 pm at the School, Station Road, Garton on the Wolds, YO25 3EX.

Present		
Cllr Eric Biggins	EB	Councillor (Acting Chairman for this meeting)
Cllr Julian Martin	JM	Councillor
Cllr Kerry Duncan	KD	Councillor
Cllr Craig Duncan	CD	Councillor
Cllr Jonathan Watson	JW	Councillor
Officers		
Catherine Clark	CC	Clerk
Others		2 members of the public

Action

16/17-28 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED: In the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman Councillor Eric Biggins was elected as Chairman for this meeting.

16/17-29 PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

There were no members of the public present.

16/17-30 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Poessl, Bell and Hood and the reasons approved.

16/17-31 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

16/17-32` APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the following meeting be adopted as a true record subject to minor amendment:

a) Annual Meeting of Council 4th May 2016
b) Ordinary meeting 4th May 2016

16/17-33 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4TH MAY NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

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Street Scene walkabout

Following the walkabout on the 9th May ERYC have agreed to maintain the land at the west end of the village once it has been returned to grass. Councillor Biggins will ask Nick Thurlow to arrange some more grass cutting.

A request will be made by ERYC for Community Payback to side out the footpaths.

Garages

Councillor Biggins has kindly obtained a copy of the ERYC garage lease which prohibits the use of the garages for business. The Clerk will ask ERYC to write to their tenants and remind them of this. A request will also be made that if a garage becomes vacant the Parish Council are made aware of this and it can be advertised locally first.

16/17-34 **FINANCE**

a) Financial report

RESOLVED: To approve the following payments:

Clerk's salary	
XL Displays (notice board)	£193.20
Richard Dixon (internal audit)	£270.00

b) The Clerk presented the internal audit report from Richard Dixon. There are no issues for concern and a copy of this will be emailed to members.

16/17-35 **PLANNING**

There were no planning applications.

16/17-36 **ENVIRONMENTAL AND COMMUNITY MATTERS – TO RECEIVE REPORTS IN RESPECT OF THE FOLLOWING:**

a) Village Maintenance (including grass cutting, the pond and winter maintenance)

Grass

The Clerk was asked to speak with ERYC as they are leaving grass cuttings lying around rather than taking them away.

Noticeboard

The new notice board is now in situ.

Pond

The fence surrounding the pond is in a poor state and it was agreed that the clerk should write to ERYC and ask if this may be replaced.

Council discussed the possibility of re-siting the seat within the fence.

It is felt that a notice should be displayed letting the village know what Council would like to do with the pond and surrounding area.

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b. Highways (including maintenance and traffic problems)
   1. Parking at the school. No reply has been received from either the board of governors or Councillor Julie Abraham. Councillor Biggins has spoken with the Chairman of the board of governors and the feeling is that there is not enough land to be of any use for additional parking.
      The Clerk has emailed Councillor Julie Abraham once more for her advice on this issue.
   2. Green Lane – Council were advised by Councillor Watson that there needs to be two signs at either end of Green Lane for the Traffic Regulation Order to be legal. The Clerk will follow this up.

c. Telephone box - Councillor Martin has purchased the defibrillator sign for the telephone box. Members are to fit this.
   The Clerk will arrange the training on the use of the defibrillator.
d. Website – Councillor Martin has uploaded Councillor Biggins profile and photo. He has also made reference to the fact that Council is now monitoring dog fouling.
e. Village broadband
   No further update has been received.
f. Streetscene – Covered above.

g. Fracking – Councillor Poessl has been promised some information on fracking from Sarah Holspen of Frack Free Yorkshire.
h. Land at the West end of the village
   Covered above.
i. School – Members had been concerned over the issue of the school should it become an academy. As the Government has changed its stance on this subject it was felt that this was no longer a concern for the time being. The Clerk was asked, however, to look into the issue of the new classroom and its furniture.
j. Meetings and reports
   There is a meeting on the 30th June at the Mercure Hotel in Hessle between 6pm and 8pm. It is the AGM for the Forward Working Group of Alfred Bean Hospital. The future of the Minor Injuries Unit will be discussed and Councillor Biggins will try to attend this.
k. Recycling
   Nothing to report
l. Grants
   Update on grants available for the pond redevelopment
   The Clerk advised that she has been trying to apply for the new Tesco grant but they are asking for documentation which she is unsure of. This needs discussing in more detail.

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16/17-37 **ADMINISTRATION MATTERS**

a. **RESOLVED:** To adopt the updated Emergency Plan.

Council agreed that each meeting night the defibrillator will be checked to ensure it is in full working order. The Clerk is arranging training to be given on the use of the defibrillator.

16/17-38 **CORRESPONDENCE**

The correspondence log was distributed by email. Councillors should request to see any items of interest.

16/17-39 **COUNCILLORS EXCHANGE AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

Members to email the Clerk with any additional items by the 29th June please.

16/17-40 **HR (PERSONNEL COMMITTEE)**

1. The Clerk's annual appraisal is due shortly and the Personnel Committee will need to arrange this.

16/17-41 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was noted that the date of the next meeting is the 6th July 2016

Meeting closed at 9.15pm

Signature of Chairman:

Dated:

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