DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GREETWELL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30PM ON MONDAY 7 JULY 2025 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SUDBROOKE

PRESENT: Councillors John Taylor, Mrs Sarah Bates, Jo Dimelow, Mike Taylor, Chris Thatcher Christine Myers (Clerk)

43 – 25/26 PARISHIONERS ITEMS

None.

44 - 25/26 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS GIVEN

Councillors Ms Sue Pullen and Vernon Stuffins, County Councillor Trevor Bridgwood, District Councillor Maureen Palmer,

45 – 25/26 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None declared.

 $46 - 25/26\,$  DRAFT MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 9 JUNE TO BE APPROVED AND SIGNED AS MINUTES

That the minutes be signed as correct proposed by Councillor Mrs Sarah Bates, seconded by Councillor Chris Thatcher and Resolved.

47 – 25/26 COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

DC Maureen Palmer had sent a report which stated

- There were new grants now available.
- The Chief Executive of WLDC had retired and a new appointment would be ratified at the full Council of WLDC.

#### 48 – 25/26 CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

A Correspondence received since last meeting - The following had been received since the last meeting and circulated to members:-

13.6.2025 - Notice of LALC AGM 3.7.2025 27.6.2025 - WLDC Grant funding opportunities 30.6.2025- LALC Annual Report 2024-25 1.7.2025 - The Chase play inspection report 30.6.2025

B Gate at the Chase – This continued to be propped open and required attention. LCC to be contacted.

C PROW 131/1 – Path resurfacing – LCC to be contacted further regarding this.

D Seat – Westfield Avenue – It was reported that this was not available as a donation. As LCC had given permission for the siting of a seat on the roundabout that a note be put in the next Greetwell News to ascertain residents' views on the Parish Council providing a seat for the roundabout unanimously Resolved.

49 – 25/26 TO CONSIDER JOINING LOCAL PARISH COUNCILS IN ORDER TO DISCUSS TRAFFIC AND PARKING CONCERNS

This had been suggested by a Councillor for Nettleham Parish Council. Members considered this a good idea and that they would be pleased to join up with neighbouring Councils.

50 – 25/26 PLANNING – NOTIFICATION OF APPEAL FOR WL/2024/00036, LAND SOUTH OF BARFIELD LANE, REEPHAM, BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM (INCLUDING SUBSTATIONS, INVERTERS, TRANSFORMER STATIONS, CABLING, FENCING, INTERNAL SERVICE TRACK AND LANDSCAPING

This item was considered. Although Greetwell Parish Council had not originally objected to the application since more knowledge had been forthcoming it was Resolved that the following be conveyed to the Planning Inspectorate - 'It is considered that the location of this storage system is in the wrong place being so near to infrastructure and without the availability of necessary extinguishing facilities.'

51 - 25/26 FINANCE

i Accounts for Approval/Payment - Invoices copied to all Councillors in advance of meeting

Accounts paid:

Ian Moore Contracting Inv 378– grass cutting 29.5.2025 – £176.50 net, £35.30 VAT, £211.80 gross Tesco Phone DD - £8.51

Accounts to pay:

lan Moore Contracting Inv 406 - grass cutting 28.6.2025 - £176.50 net, £35.30 VAT, £211.80 gross
Sudbrooke VH Committee – Room hire July meeting - £13.00
Sudbrooke VH Committee – Room hire – September meeting - £13.00
Tesco phone DD July - £8.51
Staffing costs - £854.96 – to be paid 31.7.2025
Mrs C Myers – Expenses - £21.55
Tesco phone July DD £8.51

Councillor Mike Taylor to approve banking

Funds transfer – 4.7.2025 – Instant Account to Current Account - £1000.00

ii Bank balances as at 30.6.2025

Current Account - £205.76 Chase Account - £3,758.28 Deposit Account - £29,749.29 iii Bank Reconciliation to 30.6.2025 – This had been copied to all members which was noted. The Chairman signed the Reconciliation and bank statements.

iv To confirm that payments due be made by Clerk and ratified at September meeting – This was agreed as per the Council financial regulations.

### 52 - 25/26 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk reported as follows:-

## A The Chase Play Area –

- That Councillor Mike Taylor and herself had visited The Chase Play area and found the see saw to be unstable. As a matter of safety this had been reported immediately to EKM Ltd who had attended on site to repair as necessary.
- A bollard at The Chase had been reported by the Grounds maintenance team as being fixed into the ground. As removal of this would be required by emergency services to gain entry to the play area it was agreed that a quotation be accepted from Ian Moore Contracting in the sum of £275 plus VAT for the removal and supply and fit of a new bollard.
- That the annual RoSPA inspection of the Play equipment would be carried out in August by Play Safety.
- That Councillor Mike Taylor continued to carry out a weekly visual inspection of the site
  and EKM conduct a monthly mechanical inspection. It was noted that a company did offer
  an App for the inspection of play areas by individuals. It was felt however that should a
  problem be noted that attendance for repair would not be immediate as present. Resolved
  to continue as current.
- B The dog bin on Wragby Road East would be replaced.
- C Dog bin at The Chase had been reported as rusty and would either be repaired or replaced.
- D A Police Teams meeting had been arranged for 25.9.2025 There were no members wanting to attend this Teams meeting.
- E That the Clerks First Aid Certificate expired in November. It was agreed that the Clerk attend a First Aid Course organised by LALC at a cost of £78.00.

# 53 - 25/26 CHAIRMANS COMMENTS

The Chairman reported that he had reported on Fix My Street that the full width of the footpath from Kennel Lane Reepham to the roundabout on Bunkers Hill required resurfacing.

He had also reported that the large trees on the roundabout on Bunkers Hill required cutting back.

It was agreed that a Greetwell News be prepared in the next few weeks.

### 54 - 25/26 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 1 September, 2025 7.30pm, Sudbrooke Village Hall.