

# **GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

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**A MEETING OF GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD AT GODSHILL SCHOOL**  
**7:00PM ON Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2026.**

**PRESENT: Cllrs Mansell, Jackman, Crane, Dyke & Donoclift**  
**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: S Cockett (Clerk) & 7 members of the public**

## **MINUTES**

### **85/26 WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **86/26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Received from Cllrs Hammond.

**Resolved** to accept apologies.

### **87/26 ELECTION OF CHAIR**

Cllr Mansell was elected chair of Godshill Parish Council for the period 2026/2027.

As Proposed by Cllr Jackman and Seconded by Cllr Donoclift.

### **88/26 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR**

Cllr Jackman was elected vice-chair of Godshill Parish Council for the period 2026/2027.

As Proposed by Cllr Mansell and Seconded by Cllr Dyke.

### **89/26 APPOINTMENT OR REPRESENTATIVES**

Cllr Crane was appointed as representative for the council to IWALC, with Cllr Donoclift as deputy.

### **90/26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were received.

### **91/26 ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLOR REPORT**

The following report was received from Cllr Gladwin: 'I am unable to attend due to being very busy with my re-election campaign.'

I have been again trying to resolve the Bats Wing problem and after yet another fruitless attempt, I decided to make a formal complaint to Simon Moon, the new Strategic Director of Community Services, on behalf of myself, the Parish Council and the Residents and visitors to Godshill. I have already received a very positive response to this complaint from him, and he seems very keen to ensure that this footpath is finally opened again to the public as soon as possible.

I am continuing to pursue for the reduction of the speed limit on Whitwell Road from 60mph to 40mph. I am also continuing my road safety campaign for Central Rural and the Island.

I have commenced a campaign to Save Our Schools (SOS) and I am promoting this widely. This is based upon my work to this end that I officially commenced in October at the Children’s Committee meeting when I publicly spoke out about closures.’

**92/26 PUBLIC SESSION \*\***

Comments received about the A3020 road which is a 40mph limit through Sandford. It is requested to extend the 30mph zone further in the direction of Whitely Bank, Cllr Donoclift will enter a TRO to this effect.

Comment received about the traffic situation around the doctors, Cllr Donoclift responded that a TRO has already been entered for this issue, Captiva will also be contacted about this matter.

**93/26 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**RESOLVED:** To accept the minutes of 7<sup>th</sup> of April 2026 as a true record.

**94/26 FINANCE**

**Completed Payments Parish Council April 2026**

Payee	£
Godshill Primary	20.00
Godshill Primary extra meeting	20.00
Hugo Fox	43.98
Clerk – Salary	600.34
Bank Charges	4.25
CPRE	3.00
Scribe subscription	44.40
NEST - pension	57.24
Eddie Read	287.00
Water bill	151.87

All Saints Church	900.00
Post office grant	7000.00
Doug McGeogh	377.70
PAYE/NICS	416.34
Electric bill – WC’s	84.84
Insurance – for parish	988.75
Electric bill – pavilion	22.07
Lake cleaning supplies	199.27
Bridgcourt grass cutting	355.00

**Payments at councils’ discretion May 2026**

Payee	£
Pavilion survey	400.00
Children’s Charity	18,724.00
Godshill Matters – Lady Ann	500.00

**Bank reconciliation complete 30<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

Savings	£86,209
Current	£33,116

**RESOLVED:** to accept the finance report, with discussion of Pavillion Survey and Children’s Charity grant funding delayed until charity meeting.

**95/26 INVESTMENT REPORT**

The council received a report on current investments and balances.

**RESOLVED** to note the report.

**96/26 PLANNING**

To review planning applications received and to comment as a consultee.

**26/00480/RVC**| Removal of condition 4 on 21/02146/FUL which restricts the ownership of the holiday accommodation to Bennett Stone Barn

Bennett Stone Barn Newport Road Godshill Ventnor Isle Of Wight PO38 3LY

No Objection.

**26/00261/FUL**| Change of use of land for equestrian purposes and retention of stable block

Land To The Rear Of 5 Sandford Barns Shanklin Road Godshill Ventnor Isle  
Of Wight PO38 3PP

No Objection.

**97/26 LICENCING AND EVENTS**

No matters noted.

**98/26 CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE**

The clerks time in the previous period was taken up with the following matters:

- Restructuring Cost centres within Scribe accounting system to correctly reflect the budget.
- Submission of documents to the internal auditor for first inspection.
- On-boarding our new member of staff Kira Glasspool.
- Further investigations into land registry issues around May Close and Bridgecourt cemetery.

**RESOLVED:** To note the Clerk's report.

**100/26 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

Update from Cllr Donoclift RE bats wing path and the ongoing issues with reopening – now delayed due to the discovery of an additional 'bulge' in an adjacent wall. Rubbish clearance and management at Central Mead and May close. Repairs to be carried out on small wall adjacent to road at memorial garden.

**100/26 WORKING GROUPS' REPORTS**

To resolve to note the Working Groups' Reports and agree any actions.

**101/26 OTHER REPORTS**

To resolve to note other reports and agree any actions as appropriate.

**102/26 DATA PROTECTION POLICY**

**RESOLVED** to adopt the presented data protection policy without amendments.

**103/26 INFORMATION REQUEST POLICY**

**RESOLVED** to adopt the presented information request policy without amendments.

**104/26 HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY**

**RESOLVED** to adopt the presented health and safety policy without amendments.

**105/26 COMPLAINT PROCEDURE**

**RESOLVED** to adopt the presented complaint procedure without amendments.

**106/26 POLICY REVIEW**

**RESOLVED** to conduct further review and amendments of policies and re-present item at next full council meeting.

**107/26 PUBLIC SESSION \*\***

No further matter raised.

**108/26 MATTERS RAISED DURING PUBLIC SESSIONS**

No further matters raised

**109/26 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place in the School Hall at 7.00pm on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026.

Meeting closed at 19:45