

GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

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**A MEETING OF GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD AT GODSHILL SCHOOL
7:00PM ON Monday 6th July 2026.**

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

MINUTES

133/26 WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations were expressed to Godshill Matters and Godshill Primary School for the successful realisation of the Lady Anne project.

134/26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Not applicable

135/26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

136/26 ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLOR REPORT

No report was received.

137/26 PUBLIC SESSION **

Questions were asked about West Street and Newport Road pedestrian crossings/footpaths and the slow progress of the proposed improvements – the clerk reported that the legal contracts have been completed and the works are awaiting 'road time' as reported by the local authority.

Comments were made about abandoned cars on Yarbrough Close – residents were advised to report on the fix-my-street app and in certain circumstances to the police on 101.

Comments were made about the unkempt hedge on the left hand side as you enter the public car park opposite the Old World Tearooms. This is owned by and is the responsibility of the Isle of Wight council – it was suggested that all members of the public should report such issues on the fix-my-street app (<https://fms.islandroads.com/>)

138/26 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of 1st of June 2026 as a true record.

139/26 FINANCE**Completed Payments Parish Council June 2026**

Date	Net	VAT	Gross	Description	Payee
29.06.2026	£62.96	£0.00	£62.96	NEST pension	NEST
25.06.2026	£17.49	£3.50	£20.99	Website Hosting	Hugo Fox
23.06.2026	£3.00	£0.00	£3.00	CPRE	CPRE
23.06.2026	£35.64	£1.78	£37.42	Pavilion electricity	British Gas
16.06.2026	£65.90	£3.30	£69.20	Public Toilets Electricity	British Gas
16.06.2026	£7.23	£0.00	£7.23	Bank Fees	Lloyds Bank
11.06.2026	£500.00	£0.00	£500.00	Godshill Matters	Godshill Matters
10.06.2026	£32.88	£0.00	£32.88	Clerk Expenses	S Cockett
10.06.2026	£140.40	£0.00	£140.40	Payroll Services	Community Action IW
05.06.2026	£525.00	£0.00	£525.00	Public toilet - maintenance	Paravectis
05.06.2026	£315.00	£63.00	£378.00	Island Roads Bins	Island Roads
04.06.2026	£68.69	£0.00	£68.69	NEST pension	NEST
04.06.2026	£14.00	£0.00	£14.00	Clerk Expenses	S Cockett
01.06.2026	£554.40	£0.00	£554.40	Grounds Maintenance	Island Tree Services
01.06.2026	£283.00	£0.00	£283.00	Grounds Maintenance	Island Tree Services
01.06.2026	£20.00	£0.00	£20.00	Hall Hire - Godshill School	Godshill Primary School
01.06.2026	£19.99	£4.00	£23.99	Website Hosting	Hugo Fox
01.06.2026	£37.00	£7.40	£44.40	Scribe subscription	Starboard Systems
01.06.2026	£129.00	£0.00	£129.00	Payroll Services	Community Action IW
01.06.2026	£720.32	£0.00	£720.32	Clerk Salary	S Cockett
01.06.2026	£524.49	£0.00	£524.49	Kira Salary	Kira Glasspool
01.06.2026	£812.12	£0.00	£812.12	Business Rates Cemetery	Isle of Wight Council

Bank reconciliation complete 30th June 2026

Savings	£85,337.21
Current	£29,136.95

RESOLVED: To accept the finance report.

140/26 PLANNING

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

Cllr Donoclift reported that no new applications had been received.

141/26 LICENCING AND EVENTS

No matters noted.

142/26 CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

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

Correspondence with IWC about S106 funds. Funds are with the IW council, but it still has not been made clear what stipulations or prerequisites there are for obtaining those funds into the GPC account. Only to say that the PC spends and then applies for reimbursements of spendings.

Energy Champion update, under development, job description is written, meetings ongoing regarding training and processes.

Land registry, conveyancer has confirmed works and opened files for locations.

Upcoming meeting with Graham Biss at Munsley Bog to discuss possible improvements and collaboration.

Met on-site with both funeral directors and groundsmen at Bridgecourt cemetery.

Started work on signage for Bridgecourt, obtained quotes for aluminium signs from Newport based firm, looking further afield for timber signs.

Bin repositioning's – site meeting and correspondence.

RESOLVED: To note the Clerk's report.

143/26 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

All reports are included in the next item.

144/26 WORKING GROUPS' REPORTS

AMENITIES AND ENVIRONMENT

Public Toilets – Income – in June we collected £258.60 which was £1.10 up on last year. However, takings for the first quarter this year have been £765.55 which is 7.5% down on last year.

Cemetery – Cllr Dyke reported that chapel renovations are complete.

Village Green – Cllrs Crane and Dyke tidied up after the Island Roads left waste materials behind. It is now in good shape.

Memorial Garden – Cllr Crane has weeded all of the pathways and more gravel is being ordered.

Playground Charity (Central Mead) – Pavilion – the way forward is to be discussed at next meeting of charity trustees.

Playground Charity (Central Mead) – weekly inspections by IoW Council have highlighted a few minor points, all have been addressed by Cllr Crane.

Playground Charity (May Close) Cllr Dyke has overseen and assisted in the renovation of the play equipment in May Close – now complete although a few components will be replaced in due course.

COMMUNICATIONS & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

June Gazette - Cllr Mansell contributed to, edited and published the June edition of 21 pages.

PLANNING, ROADS & BYWAYS

Car Park Hedge – the road side of the hedge appears to have been cut by Island Roads, but not very well.

BatsWing / Church Path – now open although the path closed sign at the top of the path is confusing, it refers to the section of the path that goes

beyond the steps up into the churchyard. It needs moving further down the closed part of the path.

Speedwatch – The teams activities have been limited by extreme heat.

STRATEGY AND LONG-TERM PLAN

Cllrs Jackman and Mansell attended the first Adaptation Resource project training session with the Met Office at Petersfield. Godshill, as part of Central Rural is one of only four parishes in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight selected to participate.

RESOLVED: To note the Working Groups reports.

145/26 OTHER REPORTS

There were no other reports.

146/26 CONFLICT OF INTEREST – EXTERNAL AUDITOR

RESOLVED: that no member of Godshill parish council has a conflict of interest with external auditors BDO.

147/26 CCLA – INVESTMENTS

RESOLVED: That the clerk is authorised to open an account with the CCLA.

148/26 RESIDENT SUPPORT

It was discussed and determined to not proceed with this task and finish group at this time.

149/26 PUBLIC SESSION **

No further matters were raised.

150/26 MATTERS RAISED DURING PUBLIC SESSIONS

Following discussions in the public sessions, the council will address the following items:

The West Street and Newport Road pedestrian crossings/footpaths – the clerk will make Cllr Whelan aware of the urgency and ask for his involvement.

The clerk will contact Cllr Whelan to get his support regarding submitted TROs, one of which we have had no response for well over a year.

Abandoned cars, traffic on Yarbrough Close – the clerk will contact PCSO Keefe to see if a more regular presence can have an effect.

Cllr Mansell will ensure the Island Roads are made aware of their unkempt hedge at the entrance to the public car park.

Cllr Hammond will contact Captiva to obtain permission for the council to place a bin at the entrance to the Lily Cross estate.

151/26 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place in the School Hall at 7.00pm on Monday 7th September 2026.

Meeting closed at 20:18

