

**Corringham Parish Council**  
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**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 3 December 2019 at 7.30 pm in Corringham Village Hall**

**Present:** Cllrs. P Hardwick (Chair), D Semley P Arthy, C Wrench, J Sims, J Stanser, M Parr and A Hayward (Clerk) Members of the Public: 0

01.12.19 **Chairman's Remarks**

Cllr. Hardwick welcomed everyone to the meeting.

02.12.19 **Apologies for absence and reasons given**

Cllr. A Watson (other commitment)  
Cllr. S Blades (other commitment)  
PCSO McFaul (other commitment)  
Dist. Cllr. Howitt-Cowan (another meeting)  
Cty. Cllr. Perraton-Williams (another commitment)

It was resolved to accept the apologies

03.12.19 **Declarations of interest**

The following declarations of interest were made:

Cllrs. M Parr & P Hardwick – allotment matters  
Cllrs. J Sims, P Hardwick & J Stanser – village hall matters

04.12.19 **Public Discussion**

None

05.12.19 **Notes of the last meeting of the Council**

The minutes of the meeting held on 5 November 2019 were discussed and resolved as being a true record.

06.12.19 **Police Report**

PCSO J McFaul had forwarded the following report:

24/11/19 – Damaged vehicle parked behind the village car park – vehicle has since been removed.

07.12.19 **District and County Councillors' reports**

County Councillor

No report received.

District Councillor

Dist. Cllr. Howitt-Cowan had sent the following report.

**HM The Queen**

A picture of the Queen now adorns the walls of the Council Chamber which was suggested by the present Chairman of WLDC. You may see the coat of arms of WLDC along with several watercolours by Karl Wood [1888 – 1958] who was a local artist, one is of All Saints' Church and of Knaith Hall.

**Operation London Bridge**

Is the codename for preparations on the eventuality of the death of HM which were in place in 1960 but updated. I am privy along with colleagues to local protocols if and when that occurs.

**Planning Applications**

PA 140313

This has 'outline planning' and now goes forward for Full Planning permission. Comments need to be 'material considerations' such as materials, size, character, height, is it in proportion / does it dwarf the plot allocated etc. I always hope that those with planning in mind come to talk it through with the Parish Council at the outset.

**Marina for Gainsborough**

This has been talked about for decades and the commercial project is inching yet closer to becoming a reality. The site is on the Trent side beyond the Trent Bridge on waste land. There are plans for housing and this should tidy that part of town. The land was on sale for £5 million but that did not equate to an independent valuation of c £1 million. The land is being acquired under Compulsory

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Order; the Gainsborough Standard suggested more which I cannot comment upon. The Marina will hopefully attract leisure craft, it will have food outlets etc. and hopefully regenerate the use of the River and invite users to moor up and explore the town and district. For far too long we have turned our back on the River which was the very source of Gainsborough's prosperity years ago.

**Cinema**

This will hopefully occupy the site of the former Gaumont Cinema on the Market Place, which was latterly owned by the Coop & leased to Oldrids. The footprint will decrease with car parking for 50 cars, and the complex will accommodate the Post Office, the Travel Bureau and food outlet. This project is making positive headway and it is hoped that it will help towards rejuvenating the town centre.

**RAF Scampton**

This appears to be on hold at the moment, the MOD in July 2018, the MoD announced that Scampton would close by 2022 and be sold, with all units relocated elsewhere. The MOD cannot identify a future station for the Red Arrows.

**Former Gainsborough Standard Office in Market Place**

This is a Grade 2 listed 18c property in the ownership of WLD adjacent to the former Westminster Bank on the east side of the Market Place. The building is three storey and is challenging. It's very future hangs in the balance and is subject to debate at Prosperous Communities on Tuesday evening. One idea is to make the ground floor into a shop whilst the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> storeys above into flats

**Roundabout / Traffic lights**

WLDC has been informed of a proposed roundabout at the bottom of Foxby Hill near the Aldi store and Corringham Junction which is in the Hemswell Ward will have traffic lights to address the traffic flow. This should be done after April 2020. This junction has a notorious reputation for fatalities and car crashes which a traffic light system may address and prevent. The projected cost is over £1 million.

**South of Gainsborough – Housing Estate**

WLDC has been informed that the first start of housing for 2,500 dwellings will commence in Jan 2020. There have been false starts over the past few years but this information seems more positive. The site is close to where I live.

**Restaurant at Travel Lodge**

'Cream' in Marshall's Yard is to undertake this project and it should be up and running before Christmas.

**Former Emeloo's in Market St**

Age UK has taken out a 3 year contract I believe which means a vacant premises on the former Gas Board show room on the south side of Market St where they have been for several years. This move fills I think the row of premises which have been the subject of refurbishment.

**Lea Fields, Crematorium**

This should hopefully be open and running from 20 of January next year. It's a commercial venture aimed at bringing in much needed revenue to maintain the current services at WLDC due to decreasing Government funding. I visited the site along with colleagues last month.

**Gainsborough Old Hall**

LCC has formally notified English Heritage of relinquishing its management of the Old Hall from 31 of Oct 2020. The LCC has managed the site since 1979 when it took over from The Friends who had managed it from 1949. English Heritage is to take on the management role as from 1 of Nov 2020. Representatives of EH are in exploratory talks with WLDC and eager to talk with The Friends Association in the New Year.

**Hemswell's Maypole**

There are not many maypoles in Britain. The one at Hemswell has just been recently refurbished ready for celebrations on the first Monday in May 2020. It carries the national colours of red white and blue and a huge attraction.

**District Cllrs extra duties**

After the Torksey bye election the Leader of WLDC asked me to join the CP& R Committee [Corporate Policy & Resources] which is responsible for the expenditure of the Council. I have been re-elected Chair of the Charles Cooper Almshouse Trust which has just celebrated 40 years.

I have been re-elected as Chair of The Friends of Gainsborough Old Hall Association. I am now in my 21<sup>st</sup> year!

**Civic Carol Service**

I hope to attend this annual event to be held on 5 Dec at St Michael's Church, Hackthorn

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08.12.19

**Clerk's Report**

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09.12.19

**Reports**

**Village Hall**

Cllr. Hardwick reported that the Christmas fayre had been well attended. The senior citizens' lunch is next week. A new weekly, 2 hour booking had been received up to Easter next year.

**Neighbourhood Plan (NP)**

Cllr. Semley reported that AECOM are to visit to review the sites. The NP Consultant will represent the group. The original designated area did not include the northern extension area of Gainsborough, which is in the parish of Corringham. A new designated area has been submitted which is the parish boundary.

10.12.19

**Matters for consideration**

**Grass Cutting Contract 2020**

Clerk to send out invitation to tender to existing contractor which will include the grass verges on the High Street. There was some discussion about including areas on Church Street but it was unclear whose responsibility this was.

**Councillor Training**

Discussion deferred until LALC's training schedule for 2020 is released.

11.12.19

**Financial Matters**

Financial Report:

Income to date:	£13,495.21
Outgoings to date:	£17,332.47
Funds available:	£9,321.33

The following payments were proposed, seconded, voted and agreed.

Cheque Number	£	Payee	Reason
100232	108.90	A Hayward	Salary and Expenses
100233	104.60	HMRC	PAYE
100234	500.00	C Keble	NP Consultant

12.12.19

**Planning Matters**

**New Planning Applications:**

PA 140313

PROPOSAL: Planning application to erect 1no. dwelling

LOCATION: Land adj 45 Middle Street Corringham Gainsborough DN21 5QT

Resolved: No objection. Comments: school parking issues and important habitat for newts in the vicinity.

**WLDC Planning Decisions**

None

13.12.19

**Correspondence**

The following correspondence was received:

Citizens Advice – Request for donation

Central Lincs. Local Plan Team – Corringham Village Profile

All noted

14.12.19

**Councillors' reports and items for inclusion on the next agenda**

The following items were reported:

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- Footpath along the High Street to Pilham Lane junction, grass encroaching onto pavement.
- Middle Street – drain still not draining properly outside number 22.
- Cllr. Arthy confirmed that the new SID will be delivered tomorrow.
- The hedge on the High Street had now been cut back.
- It was agreed to put up the Christmas tree in the church on Wednesday evening.

Agenda items for next meeting: Emergency Planning

15.12.19      The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 7 January 2020 at 7.30pm at Corringham Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 8.20 pm

Signed ..... Date .....