

GUESTLING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES OF GUESTLING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD MONDAY 14 JULY 2025 7PM AT THREE OAKS VILLAGE HALL

CLLRS: Cllr MARION ROBERTS Cllr GRAHAM FURNESS Cllr MARTIN GRIFFITHS

Cllr PETER KNATCHBULL-HUGESSEN

PARISH CLERK: BRYONY YOUNG

ITEM	NOTES	ACTION
1	APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE: Cllr ANDREW MIER Cllr TIM GROHNE Cllr BEVERLEY COUPAR Cllr C MAYNARD	
2	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Declarations of interest - None	
3	MINUTES RESOLVED: That the Chair of the Council is authorised to sign the minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting 12 May 2025	
4	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None	
5	MATTERS ARISING OR UNRESOLVED NOT COVERED SEPARATELY IN AGENDA: Sign @ QE2 Field and Welcome to Guestling signs – BY to sent request to Highways ref mock-up pictures of suggested sites ref permissions (with Charles rather than Elizabeth in sign) – ONGOING Marsham Meeting – Informal meeting notes were distributed to Parish Council, next meeting scheduled for Thursday 16th October 2025 3PM Pett Village Hall, Pett Clerk to book and advise Football/Bowls Club Meeting – Meeting had with Football Club and quarterly meetings scheduled, Bowls Club to be organised Strategic Gap discussion with Rother – Meeting taken place – update at next meeting Guestling Neighbourhood Plan – ONGOING Outstanding Planning Enforcement issues – BY email Head of Planning asking for who to ask for update - ONGOING	BY BY MR/BY/PKH MG/PK-H BY
6	CORRESPONDENCE: None	
7	ANNUAL REVIEW CONTRACTS – FOOTBALL CLUB AND BOWLS CLUB – Meeting arranged for Football Club (Annual increase RPI May 2025 4.3%), PC agreed to increase monthly charge to £110 to advise at meeting, Bowls Club meeting to be arranged	BY
8	PHONE BOX REFURBISHMENT – Clerk checked with ESALC and the man who people recommended will not come out as far as us. Can be done by someone just painting or sent off to be sandblasted, BY to investigate options and costs further and advise. PK-H advised approx. £7.5k with one supplier (Guestling box also sunk so will need a better foundation) Can get like-for-like replacements – BY to investigate options	BY
9	BUS STOP REFURBISHMENT – Metal is fine, perspex is degraded, three sides need doing (bus stop opposite school) Look at replacement in total or refurbishment, any grants available?	BY
10	DRAFT ROTHER LOCAL PLAN – Concerns about how the background information is being used to put together the new Local Plan and if the redraft of the Local Plan will go back out to consultation. Cllr Griffiths will look for timescales for initial draft and consultation	MG
11	FINANCE: RALC invoice - £32	
12	PLANNING APPLICATIONS: RR/2025/1002/P NEW COGHURST FARM IVYHOUSE LANE GUESTLING TN35 4NP Construction of 1no replica late bronze age/early iron age round house on site of historical round house locations The Parish Council supports the importance of an archaeological dig such as this. Currently the farm is agricultural and equestrian. There is not enough detail to make an informed decision on it becoming an educational centre. The farm is not on mains drainage and,as such, we would require detail of required welfare facilities for visiting groups, details of	

	parking etc. There is no infrastructure for this to become a bigger attraction on a narrow, overused rural lane. A long term masterplan is needed.	
13	AOB: Cllr Roberts met with PCSO about HGV's in Ivyhouse Lane, PCSO suggested meeting with him and Jo Reed- Traffic and Safety Manager, ESCC Cllr Griffiths left meeting 20.20 Councillors asked to respond personally to Housing Survey if they felt relevant MEETING CLOSED 20.28	
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