

Graveley Parish Council Meeting Minutes
of the Full Parish Council taken on Tuesday 18th March 2025 at Graveley Village Hall,
High Street, Graveley, Hertfordshire, SG4 7LB at 8.00pm

Council members present:	Cllr J Atkinson Cllr M Griffin – Chair Cllr J Lumley
In attendance:	D Galvan (Clerk & RFO to the Council) Cllr S Jarvis (HCC) Cllr C McDonnell (NHC)
25/011	Apologies None.
25/012	Interests None.
25/013	Minutes (a) To confirm the Minutes of the Graveley Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 28 th January 2025 as a true and accurate record of proceedings. Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Atkinson, that these Minutes be agreed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings and to be duly signed by the Chair. Unanimously agreed.

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25/014	<p>Finance</p> <p>a) To authorise the payment schedule in accordance with the budget for March 2025.</p> <p>Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Atkinson. The March 2025 payment schedule was agreed.</p> <p>b) To consider a grant application from St Marys Church towards grass cutting.</p> <p>Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Atkinson. It was agreed that GPC would donate £1,000 towards the grass cutting at St Marys Church. (Amount included on the March payment schedule).</p> <p>c) To consider the renewal of emptying the NHDC dog waste bins. It was agreed that the Parish Council would pay £500 towards the emptying of the three dog waste bins in the village.</p> <p>Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Atkinson. It was agreed after reviewing, that the GPC would continue with the renewal of dog waste bins. (Amount included on the March payment schedule).</p>
25/015	<p>Planning</p> <p>a) 23/02906/S73 - Variation of condition 2 (revised plans) of planning permission granted 13.02.2024 for single storey extension to east elevation to provide indoor swimming pool and spa. Chesfield Downs Golf Club, Jacks Hill, Graveley, SG4 7EQ.</p> <p>Cllr Lumley read out the response from the GPC Planning working party. Graveley Parish Council had no objection to the previous application, and it was agreed that their view would not change due to a slight amendment in the planning application. It was stated no objection to this application.</p> <p>Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Lumley. Seconded by Cllr Griffin. Clerk to send out response to NHC Planning Office. Unanimously agreed.</p> <p>b) To consider planning applications received during the period (Wednesday 12th March to Tuesday 18th March 2025). None.</p>
25/016	<p>Bench repairs</p> <p>To consider a quote to repaint the railings that surround Graveley pond. The Clerk had requested a quote to repaint the railings surrounding Graveley Pond. £900.00 has been quoted to carry out this work and includes the repainting of the bench outside the Village Hall (previously refurbished by Cllr Griffin).</p> <p>Resolved. Proposed by Cllr Griffin. Seconded by Cllr Atkinson, for £900 to be paid for and agreed that this work could be carried out in Spring. Unanimously agreed.</p>
	8.35pm – Cllr Lumley left the meeting.
25/017	<p>Public Issues</p> <p>None.</p>

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25/018	<p>Reports from County & District Councillors, Police and others</p> <p>Cllr Jarvis reported the following commencement of works:- Church Lane – 3rd April 2025 High Street/Milksey Lane – 5th April 2025 Coreys Mill – 30th April 2025</p> <p>Cllr McConnell spoke about the Southern Rural Community Forum meeting whereby speeding and fly tipping were discussed. Residents are able to get involved. Day of Action. Rural Police can come to the village and listen to any concerns that residents may have. Cllr McDonnell had previously spoken about the recent review of Community Governance Review (CGR) which proposed an increase in Councillors (for Graveley) from 5 to 7 Councillors. The 2nd round of consultation set the default to 5. Information to be forwarded to the Clerk.</p>
25/019	<p>Clerks report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Garden City Homes have been in contact with the Clerk and will be writing to GPC about Land North of the Depot, 1a High Street. They are currently in negotiations with the landowner to bring this affordable led scheme forward later this year. Before they progress the scheme, they want to update the Parish Council on progress. As they are unable to attend the scheduled meeting dates of the Parish Council they will be alternatively be writing to the Clerk. • Planning Control Committee Meeting to be held at NHC Council offices - 20th March 2025 - 23/02935/OP at Land To The East Of High Street And North Road And West Of Ten Acre Plantation, High Street, Graveley • Posts by the Waggon & Horses have been painted green (9 of them). • Note received from Graveley Environment Group - Thanks to Steve Jarvis for £100 from the GEG for the planting of towards purchase of geraniums for the central reservation which has been gratefully received. • The Clerk mentioned that from August 2025 the NHC are introducing an additional bin to the recycle programme. Information has been sent to residents.
25/020	<p>Items for consideration at next meeting</p> <p>To suggest agenda items for the next meeting of the Graveley Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 15th April 2025. None.</p>
	Meeting closed at 8.40pm

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