

Garvald & Morham Community Council
Meeting held on Monday 3rd June 2024
7-30pm at Garvald Village Hall

Minutes

1. Attendance and Apologies

1.1 In attendance:

Phillip White (PW) (Chair), Anna Derricourt (AD), Ian Middlemass (IM), Ian Smith (IS), Roger Harris (RH), David Ramsay (DR), Councillor Tom Trotter, George MacIntosh (GMac), Davie Murray (DM) Hazel Clark, Graeme Maxton

1.2 Apologies:

Provost John MacMillan, Councillor Sharmin Akhter, Gary MacGregor

2. Appointment of Office Bearers

The Chair asked for nominations. Following proposals and seconds Officers were appointed as follows:

Chair - Phillip White

Vice Chair - David Ramsay

Treasurer - Ian Middlemass

Secretary - Roger Harris

3. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising

3.1 Garvald Park Landscaping Project

DR reported that conversations with East Lothian Council were ongoing.

3.2 Home Energy Scotland Project

AD reported that progress has been made in the experimental phase of the project. Funds are in place, web pages, posters and the mail drop are ready to go ready to go but a payment processing mechanism (like PayPal) is still outstanding.

4. After School Club, Yester Primary

‘Thrive East Lothian’ is a community interest company providing child care solutions, particularly after school clubs. Thrive operate at Tranent and would like to do so at Yester Primary school for the Garvald and Morham area.

Grace Dempsey of Thrive outlined their business plan and explained the short-term difficulties in getting the scheme off the ground. Although there is huge interest and such a service is critical for working parents, secure funding is required to get the scheme off the ground. Parents need certainty that a local scheme will endure and justify them cancelling other arrangements. however, funding has been difficult to put in place, hence their approach the GMCC for help.

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6. Treasurer's Update

The account balance is **£73,091.29**

The accounts will be ready for the next meeting for next meeting.

7. Funding Ideas

Grant request have been received from:-

Garvald Community Playgroup	£800
Haddington Community Choir	£2500
Royal Voluntary Service East Lothian transport service.	£1761
Thrive After school Club Yester	£28000
Gifford CC Soup & Smile	£2500
Gifford Cubs New Tents	£210

8. Update from Haddington & Lammermuir Area Partnership AGM

This was a celebration of the tenth anniversary of the area partnership and a chance to find out about what has been achieved during 22/23.

9. Garvald & Morham updates from Representatives

9.1 (Report form **GM**). Repairs to **Garvald Hall** are in the order of £100,000. The project is looking at opportunities to phase the expenditure over time.

9.2 **DM. Morham Hall** now has two regular users which will bring in income in the coming months. A project to renew the lighting is required. An estimate has been given but is understated. DM will come back when more information is available.

10. Report from Phillip White: Garvald Neighbourhood Watch

10.1 No crimes to report.

10.2 Police Scotland are seeking volunteers for a new Community Speedwatch initiative which involves monitoring the details of speeding motorists.

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11. A.O.B

11.1 **DR.** Flooding recent storms have shown that the drains cannot cope some are choked, this has cause flooding in some houses and associated sewage issues. The closure of the A199 was raised in this context.

TT will raise this issue with ELC and relay their comments.

11.2 **PW.** The new legal requirement preventing cars parking on pavements will require an application for exemption in parts of Garvald.

11.3 Many complaints have been raised about the impracticality of the new garden waste bin scheme.

12. Date of next Meeting

Monday 19th August 2024 in the Morham Village Hall

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13. Funding Requests

13.1 Approved

Garvald Community Playgroup	£800
Haddington Community Choir	£2500
Royal Voluntary Service East Lothian transport service.	£1761
Thrive After school Club Yester	£5800
Gifford CC Soup & Smile	£2500
Gifford Cubs New Tents	£210

(CR3 Funding)