

**Garvald & Morham Community Council**  
**Meeting held on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2024**  
**7-30pm at Morham Village Hall**

**Minutes**

**1. Attendance and Apologies for Absence**

**1.1 In attendance:**

Phillip White, Chair (PW), David Ramsay Vice-Chair (DR), Roger Harris Secretary (RH), Councillor George McGuire (GM1), Provost John McMillan (JM), Davie Murray Morham Village Hall (DM), Gary McGregor Garvald Village Hall (GM2)

**1.2 Apologies:** Councillor Sharmin Akhter (SA), Ian Middlemass, Ian Smith (IS), Anna Derricourt (AD)

**2. Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising**

Nothing to report

**3. Treasurer's Update**

Since our last meeting in June we have paid out £17672.86 to our various good causes. The account today is £55,118.43. (IM)

**4. Funding ideas and proposals**

**4.1 Update on Home Energy**

We have made the first payments of Rural Support for All and a payment for Low Carbon Support. (IM)

**4.2 Update on Garvald Village Hall Refurbishment (GM2)**

The priority is to preserve the hall for future generations. Resident Shirley Evatt has volunteered to be project manager in line with her professional expertise. The replacement of the windows has been identified as a priority to ensure that the building is weather proof for the rest of the project. A supplier for the windows has been identified, (Scottish Windows Solutions) and a quote of £41,000 + VAT has been received. Scoping for further funding is underway including wider village support and we are exploring whether the VAT may be reclaimed.

ELC will seek further advice. (JM)

**5. Update: Haddington & Lammermuir Partnership**

Nothing to report in advance of the next meeting.

**6. Updates: Morham and Garvald Representatives**

**6.1 Morham**

Activities have quietened down this summer. Income has come from election activities, birthday parties and will come from the planned Burns Supper. (DM)

**6.2 Garvald**

We have hosted 5 weddings this year. There has been some negative feedback re loud music in the Orchard and we will implement a 7.00 pm curfew for future events. We have earned £600 for teas, yoga classes and the Fun Day. We have saved £700 on insurance renewal and rebates on broadband and the smart meter. (GM2).

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**7. Update: Garvald Neighbourhood Watch**

Nothing to report

**8. A.O.B.**

Finger Posts

The local supplier for replacement finger posts has retired but a new potential (Charles Laing & Sons Ltd) supplier has been identified and a quote for manufacture and fitting will be requested. (RH).

ELC will clarify their responsibility in this matter. (JM)

**9. Date of next meeting**

7<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at Garvald Village Hall

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10. FUNDING REQUESTS APPROVED

Garvald Village Hall	£60,000
Community Band (Pryde of East Lothian)	£ 2,000
Haddington RFC School of Rugby	£ 1,800
GetOut Outdoor Learning CIC	£ 2,000