



GAVINTON, FOGO & POLWARTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Extra-Ordinary Meeting held in Gavinton Village Hall
on Monday, the 11th December 2017 at 6.45pm**

Item		Action
1	<p>Proposed change to the GFPC Constitution The proposed change is to paragraph 16.1 only of the constitution – which currently reads: <i>16.1 All business of the Council shall be conducted in accordance with the Standing Orders as prepared by the Council, and approved in writing by Scottish Borders Council prior to adoption, and which shall not be amended without the prior written approval of the Scottish Borders Council.</i> Proposed change to paragraph 16.1: <i>All business of the Council shall be conducted in accordance with the Standing Orders as prepared and approved by the Council.</i> The proposed change to the Constitution was approved by all members present, KD, KA, AS, BW & LT. KD to forward minutes of the meeting 11th December to Pauline Bolson as confirmation of approval of the change to the GFPC constitution.</p>	KD

**Minutes of the Meeting held in Gavinton Village Hall
on Monday, the 11th December 2017 at 7pm**

Item	Comment	Action
1	Welcome and Introductions: Chairperson Keith Dickinson welcomed Amanda Stewart, Bryce Weir, Lorraine Tait & Kirsten Arthur	
2	Apologies: Cllr Donald Moffat, Cllr Mark Rowley, Carole Wright & David Ward	
3	Declarations of interest: None	
4	Minutes of the GFPC Meeting 6th November 2017 Minutes approved with no amendments.	KD/AS
5	<p>Treasurers Report. CW was absent from the meeting but forwarded details of the GFPC account to AS prior to the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The balance of the CC account is £1715.62 (1st December 2017) • The only amount outstanding is a cheque to Mary Weir for £27.47. BW to determine if this cheque has been lost and must be cancelled and replaced. • KD raised the issue of the RBS branch in Duns closing in April 2018. AS to contact CW to determine if this will cause significant difficulty and if the GFPC account should be moved. 	<p>CW</p> <p>AS</p>
6	<p>Community Improvements and Maintenance Bus Shelter at Polwarth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Mark Rowley was absent from the meeting and therefore this update was unavailable. AS to contact MR to determine if there has been any progress on organising a site visit with SBC road safety officers to identify a safe site for the bus shelter. <p>Passing places for single-track road from Gavinton to Duns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Darren Silcock has advised KD that construction of passing places should 	AS

	<p>begin in early 2018.</p> <p>Update on re-surfacing of South Street, Gavinton.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A public meeting to allow residents to meet with road planning officers of SBC and receive information on proposed works and ask questions is being planned for Tuesday 16th January between 3pm-8pm at the village hall in Gavinton. AS to contact KD once this date is confirmed so that this may be publicised on the website. AS to publicise the event through the FB page. • KD noted that there have been many funding opportunities forwarded to the CC but that we have not had any projects that require funding. This raised the question of 'Is there anything the residents of the GFPCC area want?' KD suggested fitness equipment or additional benches for the village green. BW suggested a vending machine for hot drinks in the atrium of the village hall. • The CC should ask residents for their opinions on facilities/projects that would improve their area. AS to ask this question on the FB page, KD to post it on the CC website. Opinions may also be gathered at local events such as the xmas lunch & childrens xmas party. 	<p>KD/AS</p> <p>KD/AS</p>
7	<p>Update on the Gavinton Defibrillator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The defibrillator, heated outdoor cabinet and paediatric electrodes have now been received • We must now find an electrician to carry out the work of installing the defibrillator on the outside wall of the village hall. BW suggested that we contact the village hall committee to ask which electrician usually carries out work on the village hall. AS to contact Emma Lindsay to enquire. <p>Fundraising for the defibrillator reached the total £1017.70 thanks to a generous donation from the Gavinton Community Cinema. We now have the sum of £526.62 remaining. Some of this money may be used to organise a community familiarisation day.</p>	AS
8	<p>Update on plans to improve road safety in Gavinton</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Donald Moffat to give KD contact details for Garry Haldane of SBC. KD will contact Garry Haldane directly to set up a site visit & road safety meeting at a convenient date in the new year. Bryce Weir, Terry O’Gorman, Amanda Stewart & Cllr Moffat to be included in this meeting. • BW commented that the police had been checking vehicle speed on Main Street in Gavinton. AS to contact Stuart Tennant to determine the outcome of this operation. 	<p>KD</p> <p>AS</p>
9	<p>Resilient Communities</p> <p>CW was absent from the meeting and so this item will be discussed at the next GFPCC meeting on 22nd January 1018.</p>	CW
10	<p>Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no new planning applications to discuss at this time. • KD to look into the proposal for an updated Berwickshire Local Development Plan and report back at the next meeting. 	KD
11	<p>Any Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KD was contacted by a resident of Gavinton asking for help from the CC in dealing with incidents of dog fouling in the village. On enquiry KD was informed that Darren Silcock of SBC deals with these matters. Darren Silcock said that although SBC do not employ dog wardens they can contract wardens to deal with specific incidents. KD has contacted the resident to ask if they would be willing to give further details to SBC. BW suggested that SBC supply us with a dozen dog fouling notices that he will put up in Gavinton. KD to request these notices from Darren Silcock. 	KD/BW

12	Dates of Meetings Future meetings will be held at Gavinton Village Hall at 7pm on Monday 22 nd January, Monday 5 th March, Monday 16 th April & Monday 28 th May 2018.	
17	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The meeting closed at 8 pm	

