

Asterby and Goulceby Parish Council

Notes – 18th March, 2026

Chair:	Jon Mold (JM)
Present Councillors:	Ian Taylor (IT), Graham Johnson (GJ)
Parish Clerk & RFO:	Diane De Halle (DDH)
Members of the Public	3
District Councillor	Daniel Simpson
County Councillor	Alex McGonigle

PUBLIC FORUM – None

- 56. Chairman's remarks** – welcomed all for attending.
- 57. Apologies for absence and reasons given** – none received.
- 58. Declaration of interests and requests for dispensations** - To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and to consider granting dispensation(s), as per written requests received by the proper officer, to councillors under section 22 of the Act – none received.
- 59. To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 10th December 2025** – **RESOLVED** to accept as a true record and signed by the Chair.
- 60. To receive reports from the Clerk and Councillors on matters outstanding** – outstanding noted.
- 61. To receive reports from District and County Councillors**
- County Councillor McGonigle gave a brief update on Highways receiving an additional £4m support. Currently they are over committed on pothole repairs and drainage. There is a £3k Councillors fund to provide grants with a social value. Noted other funds also available. County Council reform results end of May and noted the outcome could be delayed.
 - District Councillor Simpson also gave an update on the County Council reform as no news to date. ELDC Community Grant will be available from the end of May. Graveyard has been cleared with a grant from ELDC and the Parochial Church Council (PCC), looking for someone to take it on to keep up the good work and there may be a further grant available for this.
- 62. To receive an overview of the issues reported to highways by Councillors since the last meeting and agree any action** – updated with current notifications on 'Fix my Street' (all notified as awaiting work via Highways). Notification received from LCC (TTRO/TTRO15665) for drainage works on Shop Lane / Butt Lane 27th April – **RESOLVED** Clerk to add to website.
- 63. To consider planning applications/correspondence received:**
- a – Planning Amendment Application:
Application Reference No: 03751/25/REV & 03751/25/RVC (previous N/008/0327/21)
PROPOSAL: to vary existing dwelling LOCATION: Lark Rise, Butt Lane, Goulceby
RESPONSE: using delegated powers 'no comment' with notes on drawing (submitted 9.1.26)
RESPONSE: approved 10.2.26
- b – Planning Application:
Application Reference No: 03565/25/FUL
PROPOSAL: Erection of 3 dwellings
LOCATION: LAND ADJACENT DEMETER HOUSE, FORD WAY, GOULCEBY
UPDATE RECEIVED FROM ELDC PLANNING DEPARTMENT: The applicant has been asked to carry out archaeological trial trenching and to provide a drainage strategy pre-determination.
- 64. Update on new email for Parish Clerk** – clerk@asterbygoulceby-pc.gov.uk
Clerk advised website now updated with new email for public use and should now meet the criteria for the audit in April.
- 65. Update on Asterby church yard** – as per District Councillor's comments (see item 61).

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66. **Update on WWI & WWII information received from LCC** – Clerk updated on vast amount of information received as a result of LCC and County Councillor McGonigle’s input – **RESOLVED** Clerk to update website and include the Lincolnshire Heritage Explorer information also received.
67. **Project Groundwater Greater Lincolnshire** – device for monitoring water levels on Goulceby Bridge confirmed as happening (Ford to be a separate project with others across the county). Once installed a meeting will be set up in a community building for the residents to demonstrate how it will work.
68. **To consider correspondence received since the last Parish Council meeting:**

Ref	From	Correspondence	Action
A	Email query	Email 29.12.25 – requesting information on someone buried at Goulceby church – forwarded & response sent	Info only
B	HM Revenue	Email 9.1.26 – confirmation of VAT refund	Noted
C	LALC	Email 12.1.26 – annual subscription £ 111.10 invoice & training scheme £144.00 quote for 26-27 due by 1 st April 2026	See item 70 (e) and (f)
D	LCC Countryside Access	Email 15.1.26 – suggesting a bench in Goulceby commemorating 50 years of the Viking Way – suggestion submitted and awaiting result	Noted & awaiting result
E	OFTEC	Email 12.1.26 – public consultation on ‘Future Ready Fuel Campaign’	Noted Added to website NEWS
F	LCC Traffic	Email 19.1.26 – TTRO/TTR014773 traffic order restriction for Goulceby – Anglian Water stop tap replacements 5.3.26 to 9.3.26	Noted / added to Website Now complete
G	Parish Online	Email 26.1.26 – new email received for Parish Clerk	See Item 64
H	PCC	Email 27.1.26 via Chair – request for ongoing funding for Asterby Church yard	See Item 65
I	Innovative Resilience	Email 5.2.26 – request for monitor to be placed on Goulceby Beck at Goulceby bridge on Watery Lane	See item 67
J	LCC Traffic	Email 6.2.26 – TTRO/TTR014820 traffic order restriction for Goulceby (main road) – Telegraph pole replacement 20.3.26	Noted / added to Website
K	District Councillor	Email 11.2.26 – consultation on local government reform for Lincolnshire 5.2.26 to 26.3.26	Noted Added to Newsletter Added to Website News
L	Able Community Care	Email 12.2.26 – ‘DO NOT KNOCK’ packs for residents to help keep an older person safer in 2026 campaign – residents to contact the Clerk for a pack	Added to Newsletter Residents can request from Clerk

Various additional communications received from Lincolnshire County Council (LCC), East Lindsey District Council (ELDC), Lincolnshire Assoc. of Local Councils (LALC), National Assoc. of Local Councils (NALC), Rural Service Network, Parish Newsletter – circulated to councillors as necessary

69. **To review and agree the following policies for the Parish Council:**

- Volunteer Policy
- Disciplinary Policy

RESOLVED to accept and upload on Website.

70. **Financial matters:**

- a) To receive an updated bank reconciliation from RFO for 25/26 (Appendix 1)
- b) To receive an updated budget vs forecast for 25/26 (Appendix 2)
- c) Precept for budget 26/27 submitted and confirmation received - NOTE
- d) VAT request submitted for 2025 – refund of £22.92 requested (9.1.26) & paid 15.1.26 – NOTE
- e) To discuss and approve LALC Annual Subs 26-27 £110.04 (increase of 115 and no VAT);
- f) To discuss and approve LALC Annual Training for 26-27 £144 (inc. VAT of £24);
- g) To consider and approve payments/income due including: 3 x Lloyds Service charge invoices received 10.12.25 £4.25 / 12.1.26 £4.25 / 11.2.26 £4.25; All Saint’s Church (meeting room hire 18.3.26) £15; LALC subs 9.12.25 £111.10; Salaries 01.04.26 497.58 (SO); income received from HMRC for VAT of £22.92 15.1.26

RESOLVED to accept Appendix 1 and 2; Chair signed Appendix 1 and corresponding bank statement; **RESOLVED** to accept all payments / income (LALC subs accepted and LALC training to be allocated if required).

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71. **To agree items to be included in the next newsletter** – RESOLVED Chair will put together anything that may come up.
72. **To confirm the dates and agenda items for the next meeting** – RESOLVED next meeting will include Parish Meeting and will be held on Tuesday 5th May; 6.00pm for the Annual Parish Meeting and 6.30pm for the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council. Next meeting to include Audit, Asset check and WWI/II memorial.

Meeting closed at 7.20pm

Financial Matters

Appendix 1

Bank Reconciliation 2025-26			
1st April 2025			
Reserves Balance B/F AGAR		£1,596.79	
Total receipts to date	£4,132.67		
		£5,729.46	
Total payments to date		£2,753.58	
Less payments carried over from 2024-25		£0.00	
Total		£2,975.88	
Payments/receipts not yet on bank statement			
Bank balance to 17.02.26			£2,980.13
Less unrepresented cheques/payments:			
Lloyds Service Charge (11.02.26)			-£4.25
Total			£2,975.88
07.03.26			
Difference			£0.00
Date reconciliation carried out:	07.03.26		
Bank Statement issue date:	27.02.26		
VAT due of £31.41 for financial year 2024 - received 08.04.25			
VAT due of £22.92 for financial year 2025 - received 15.01.26			

Appendix 2

Asterby and Goulceby Planned vs Actual 2025 - 2026														Date: 07/03/2026			
Expenditure	Budget Q1	Actual	V	Budget Q2	Actual	V	Budget Q3	Actual	V	Budget Q4	Actual	V	Total planned (budget)	Total actual	Left to spend	Current 25/26	Forecast year-end position
	Employee costs	609.34	580.32	29.02	609.34	483.60	125.74	609.34	511.56	97.78	609.34	497.58	111.76	2437.34	2073.06	364.28	
Meeting room hire	15.00	0.00	15.00	15.00	0.00	15.00	15.00	0.00	0.00	15.00	0.00	15.00	60.00	15.00	45.00		30.00
LALC - Membership Subscription and training	57.50	0.00	57.50	57.50	0.00	57.50	57.50	0.00	57.50	57.50	0.00	57.50	230.00	0.00	230.00		255.10
Internal Audit costs	250.00	40.00	210.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	40.00	210.00		40.00
Section 137/ Donations	25.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	25.00	100.00	0.00	100.00		0.00
Insurance	450.00	340.67	109.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	450.00	340.67	109.33		340.67
Villages Newsletter	75.00	0.00	75.00	0.00	75.00	-75.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00	75.00	0.00		75.00
Misc (stamps/stationery)	20.00	0.00	20.00	20.00	0.00	20.00	20.00	77.85	-57.85	20.00	0.00	20.00	80.00	77.85	2.15		77.85
Defibrillator	50.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	50.00		0.00
Council election costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Plants	75.00	60.50	14.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	19.50	-19.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00	80.00	-5.00		80.00
Bank charges	15.25	13.75	1.50	15.25	8.50	6.75	15.25	17.00	-1.75	15.25	12.75	2.50	61.00	52.00	9.00		52.00
Misc / other expenditure	62.50	0.00	62.50	62.50	0.00	62.50	62.50	0.00	62.50	62.50	0.00	62.50	250.00	0.00	250.00		0.00
Total	1704.59	1035.24	669.35	804.59	567.10	237.49	804.59	640.91	163.68	804.59	510.33	294.26	4118.34	2753.58	1364.76		3,023.68
Income	Planned Income	Actual	Variance	Forecast year-end position													
Precept	4078.34	4078.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,078.34	4,078.34	0.00				4,078.34				
Donations / Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				0.00				
VAT refund	0.00	31.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.00	22.92	0.00	40.00	54.33	14.33	22.92				
	4078.34	4109.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,118.34	4,132.67	14.33				4,101.26				
Budget surplus / (shortfall)														1,077.58	SURPLUS 25/26		
Opening reserves														1,596.79			
25/26 surplus/shortfall														1,077.58			
Estimated closing reserves														2,674.37			
Notes																	
Expenditure includes VAT																	
VAT to claim to date: B&Q plants £10.08 + Cartridge £6.17 + cartridge & paper £6.67 = £22.92																	
Defib - pads due 2/28 and batteries 3/31 (if they last)																	
Wreath with the Chair for 25-26																	
Church room hire will increase from £10 to £15 from April '25																	
Internal audit not with LALC - now with local accountant (Louth)																	
Salary - reducing to 2.5 hrs per week 25/26 (effective 1.4.25 - 1st payment 1.7.25) + 5% increase in model																	
Local Election costs every 4 years (or if one required) - next due 2027																	
LALC subs £111.10 (no VAT) and LALC training £144.00 (inc VAT of £24 on training)																	
Total VAT: £ 31.41 (2024 - paid 8.4.25)																	
Total VAT: £ 22.92 (2025 - paid 15.1.26)																	
Council tax base (number of Band D properties in Asterby Group)																	
Council tax charge per property in Asterby/Goulceby group 26/27																	