

**Hutton Cranswick Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of the Gatehouse Lake Committee**  
**held at the Lake on Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 at 6.00 pm.**

**Present:** Clive Lester, Cllr Poolford, Cllr Richardson. The Clerk recorded the minutes.

**23/GHL 001 Apologies:** Ben Thurlow.

**23/GHL 002 Minutes: Resolved** that the Minutes of the previous Meeting of the Committee held on the 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 be approved and signed as a correct record (proposed Cllr Poolford /seconded Cllr Richardson).

**23/GHL 003 Terms of Reference: Resolved** to reaffirm the Terms of Reference, apart from the Committee, need only meet once a year, as follows: -

1. The Committee is Advisory with the Full Council making final decisions.
2. The Committee shall meet **once** a year as a minimum.
3. The quorum is 50% of the Membership.
4. To recommend the strategy to manage the Lake in the best interests of the Community.
5. To oversee all actions taken at the Lake.
6. To identify organisations that the Council could work with, in partnership, in managing the Lake.
7. To recommend financial investment requirements for the Lake.
8. To review the Terms of Reference of the Committee, at the first meeting of the Committee, after the Annual Meeting of the Council and make appropriate recommendations to the Council.

**23/GHL 004 Membership** – Tanya Thurlow had not rejoined the Committee. Cllr Holtby had resigned from the Parish Council, leaving one Parish Council vacancy on the Committee.

**23/GHL 005 Angling Club – Update:** Clive Lester reported the following:

(a) Peg Improvement

During Autumn 2022, the first 6 pegs were replaced and feedback had been very positive. They had been completely rebuilt using a galvanized steel shuttering for the frontage and sleepers for the framework. All backfilled with mulch and topped with slabs.

Phase 2 of the peg renewal (9 pegs) had involved a funding application to the Fisheries Improvement Programme. The bid had been successful and a contract signed, but there were currently problems in getting the funds advanced from the Environment Agency.

Phase 3 of the peg renewal – The Parsih Council had agreed to fund the materials for Phase 3 (3 pegs). Installation was planned for the 2024/25 season.

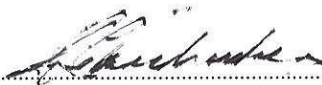
(b) O2 Monitor and Aerator

The Club has an Oxygen meter and are monitoring O2 levels at various strategic points around the Lake. The UK suffered some extreme temperatures during last Summer and, initial monitoring indicated that O2 levels at the car park end of the Lake, near the disabled platform, were very low. An aerator had been manufactured and in conjunction with a newly purchased pump, the water had been aerated resulting in an immediate improvement been recorded in O2 levels.

(c) New container

A new container has been installed.

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(d) Feeding Regime

The Club had increased its feeding regime in response to the recommendations, following the results of the netting programme last year. Results seem to be positive - carp and tench were putting on weight and the water colour had been good this Summer, indicating, that the fish were grubbing about in the weed and stirring up the bottom. It was also becoming clear it was important to undertake weed pulling during the Winter months, regrowth of the weed was much less of a problem. Winter working parties would continue.

**23/GHL 006 Maintenance Tasks and Risks**

- (a) Dipping pond – overgrown and seemed a bit low. GLAC would cut back the boundary and inspect the pond.
- (b) Sluice gate – outflow pipe joint had failed during Summer. It had been dug-out and fully repaired.
- (c) Stock pond – not in use at the moment. Scheduled to be weeded and tidied.
- (d) Stock pond – the work to install a roofing net across the stock pond was on hold.
- (e) Ergasilus Briani (gill louse) – tests on juvenile fish last year indicated presence of this parasite, which meant no fish movement was permitted from the Lake.
- (f) Bird hide was in good condition.
- (g) A new disinfectant station had been installed and new regime in place.
- (h) Inspection of all containers. The oldest was to be refurbished to include the installation of a chemical toilet.
- (i) Semi tame goose on site – enquire if it can be taken to Tophill Low Nature Reserve.
- (j) Compost heap – retaining fence may need replacement soon.
- (k) Disabled platform – minor repair to timber front.
- (l) Membership of the Club by home address was noted: -

Hutton Cranswick	8
Drifffield	24
Bridlington	4
Langtoft	1
Bainton	1
Skerne	3
Middleton	1
Beverley	3
Watton	2
Lockington	1
Nafferton	1
Rudston	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>

**23/GHL 007 Next Meeting:** To be confirmed.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 7.10 pm.

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