

GIRTON Annual Parish Meeting
William Collyn Community Centre
Wellbrook Way, Girton, Cambridge, CB3 0GP
Wednesday 17th May 2023
Convened by Daniel Carney, Parish Council Chairman

MINUTES

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence

Apologies from Cllr Wright, Cllr Williams, Cllr Richard Stobart (SCDC) and Ann Bonnett (GTC)

2. Approval of Girton Annual Parish Meeting Minutes, 11th May 2022

Proposed - Cllr Carney. Seconded - Cllr Hayat. Abstained - Cllr Blom and Cllr Clare.

3. Matters arising from Minutes of 11th May 2022 - None

4. Guest Speakers

a) Hi Friends: Community Wellbeing - Neil Davies

Neil Davies from HI Friends gave an update on HI Friends and presented their Annual Report.

See website: <https://www.hifriends.org.uk>

b) GPC Committee & Community Engagement - Alison Giles, Nas Hayat, Stuart Marshall

c) Neighbourhood Plan

5. Chairman's Report on the Parish Council's activities: Cllr Daniel Carney

6. Finance Report: Cllr Ann Muston

7. Report from County Councillor: Cllr Edna Murphy (CCC)

Cllr Murphy confirmed it was a pleasure to be invited guest. She said it was her pleasure to be collaborating with Girton Parish Council.

8. Reports from our District Councillors: Cllr Corinne Garvie (SCDC)

Cllr Garvie confirmed there had been significant advances at SCDC this year.

9. Report from Girton Town Charity: Robin Hiley

10. Questions and Comments from the floor

**The Annual Parish Meeting is an opportunity to ask questions that are
important to you as a resident of Girton.**

ALL ELECTORS ARE WELCOME

Cllr Daniel Carney

Chairman of Girton Parish Council

9th May 2023

Questions/Comments from Attendees

- 1. HI Friends - Was Neil aware of the Memory Café in Girton?**
- 2. HI Friends - Was Neil aware of the services of Care Network?**
- 3. What can be done to support local businesses in the village?**
- 4. Broken Kissing Gate at Girton Recreation Ground was highlighted.**
- 5. Councillors were thanked for meeting with members of public and discussing the danger of cyclists mounting the pavement from Gretton School past The George Inn. They were very grateful for the discussion and consideration of this issue by two councillors.**
- 6. Dangerous parking on Wellbrook Way was highlighted with pavements blocked and the danger of an Ambulance not getting through.**
- 7. Had Girton Parish Council considered the need for Recreation facilities for disabled children?**



ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

For GIRTON 2024

**William Collyn Community Centre
Wednesday 15th May 2024, from 7pm**

WELCOME

- Every English parish must have a parish meeting.
- The meeting consists of local government electors registered for the area. If the Chairman of the Parish Council for the area is present, he/she **MUST** preside.
- The meeting must assemble between 1 March and 1 June and may be convened by the Parish Council Chairman or by 6 electors for the area for which it is held.
 - A minimum of 7 days' notice of agenda must be given.
 - The quorum of a Parish meeting is 2.
- Decisions are taken in the first instance by a majority of those present and voting. The Chairman, if an elector, has an original and casting vote, if not an elector, only a casting vote – voting does not need to be counted but can be based on overwhelming majority.
- A poll can be demanded not later than the end of the meeting on any question arising at it. Such a poll is held only if TEN or one-third of the electors present insist or if the person presiding at the meeting consents. The District Council would then be notified that a poll is required.
- In all but a very few cases, any decision reached as a resolution is “persuasive” only and may not subsequently be passed by the Council.
- The right of the parish meeting to discuss parish affairs extends to any public matter of a parochial nature and is **NOT** confined to the exercise of the statutory functions of the Parish Council.
- The press and public have the same rights of admission to parish meetings as they have to a meeting of the Parish Council. It is therefore advisable to set aside clearly marked places for electors and non-residents to avoid confusion when a vote is taken.