

**Garvald & Morham Community Council**  
**Monday 2 June 2025**  
**7-30pm at Garvald Village Hall**

**Minutes**

**1. Attendance and Apologies**

**Attendance:** Phillip White GMCC Chair (PW), Dave Ramsay GMCC Vice-Chair (DR), Roger Harris GMCC Secretary (RH), Ian Middlemass GMCC Treasurer (IM), Anna Derricourt GMCC (AD), Ian Smith GMCC (IS), Councillor George McGuire ELC (GM), Councillor Shamin Aktar ELC (SA), Gary McGregor GVHT (GM), Mandy Harrington VCEL (MH), Micheal Bucher Resident, Lee Robertson Resident (LR), Hazel Clark Resident

**Apologies:** Councillor John McMillan, Councillor Tom Trotter

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

Nothing to report

**3. Election of Office Bearers**

All GMCC office bearers stood down with the positions open for nominations. All current office bearers were re-appointed.

**4. Smart Meters**

MB raised the issue of the phasing out of RTS transmitters by the end of June which will impact residents with older smart meters, potentially preventing them accessing cheaper off-peak electricity rates. SA said that the issue had been raised with MP Douglas Alexander because of the potential area-wide impact. LA, who works in the smart meter industry, explained the technical issues involved and said that the industry was pushing for a consolidated solution which was coming.

**5. Treasurer's Update**

The GMCC account stands at £51,448.77

**6. Update: Haddington & Lammermuir Area Partnership**

GM: All GVHT office bearers have been re-appointed. The hall is currently involved in 15 local projects including a lecture by Ann Barrett on the History of Haddington which was well attended.

Quotes have been received for the restoration of the hall windows but given the amounts involved, more quotes are being sort. The architect is proposing solutions to improve the heating and acoustics issues.

The hall has appointed a new cleaner.

Two weddings have been hosted and the recent Jazz night was a great success.

The status of the local bridge was raised with GM because repairs have not been done.

**7. Update: Garvald & Morham Representatives**

**8. A.O.B**

Policing. PC Keira Edmond will be replaced by PC Marco Crolla for a period of 6 months.

SA. The ELC has for public opinions on four council buildings. She will send the link to PW.

The matter of charging for parking in Haddington and concerns about the impact on local business expressed. SA said that nothing had yet been decided.

**9. Date of future meetings 2025:**

**Monday 18 August 2025 (Morham Village Hall)**

**Monday 6th October (Garvald Village Hall)**

**Monday 1st December (Morham Village Hall)**