

THURGARTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting Wednesday 10 July 2013 7.30pm

THOSE PRESENT/APOLOGIES

Chair	Toni Smith	TS
Cllr	David Waine	DW
Cllr	Charles Day	CD
Cllr	Ian Edwards	IE
Cllr	Tony Monaghan	TM
Cllr	Ellis Morgan	EM
Cllr	Tina Tsoutakos	TT
Cllr	Roger Blaney	RB
Clerk	Roger Jackson (part of the time)	RJ
	Annie Duquemin	Clerk
	3 members of the public were in attendance	

ACTION

1.0 MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

The minutes were approved and signed by TS. Unanimous approval

2.0 MATTERS ARISING

From meeting 10 April

Rates issue raised by a member of the public; RB reported this has been resolved.

From meeting 22 May

Clerk has chased NCC to clear station and A612 paths but still not done. Chase again

Clerk

All agreed the village is looking very tidy at the moment and thanked EM.

Clerk has sent birthday card to Gladys who is 102.

The meeting was closed at 7.38pm and reopened to the public

3.0 QUESTIONS/STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

3.1 Fast traffic along Priory Rd

A member of the public commented that this has improved since TS and DW visited Hill House but there is the occasional instance of a car speeding. All agreed the 30mph signs are in a strange place but they have recently been replaced by NCC. All will have a watching brief. Old mirror on the corner has been lost; Clerk will cost up a new one and also one for opposite the hall which is dangerous to turn out of

Clerk

3.2 Hansons noise at night

Still ongoing. Clerk will speak to Environmental Health about a noise monitor

Clerk

3.3 Cutting the banks on the A612

EM and Clerk are trying to get them cut by NCC. Some areas have been cut privately; DW will ask his neighbour if they have done it

DW

3.4 Village tidy up

A member of the public expressed concern that some areas of the village were left looking untidy after they had been cleared eg the area by the white steps. All thanked Neil for the clearing up which he is doing.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm

4.0 PLANNING

Application ref 13/00761/FUL Pesci : unanimous approval

5.0 STRATEGY ROLES

TS confirmed the ongoing roles for Councillors for the forthcoming year as follows :

David Waine : communications and crime

Charles Day : Highways

Ian Edwards : "Odd job man"

Tony Monaghan : special projects, currently Corner Croft

Ellis Morgan : Footpaths, bridleways, maintenance

Tina Tsoutakos : Emergency warden (flood and snow), Defibrillator, Best Kept Village Competition, Volunteers

TS

5.1 DW : Neighbourhood watch

Reporting back from the recent NSDC Safety meeting attended by DW and Jim Ward :

- There was a serious burglary in Bleasby on 7 July. Details have been circulated on the village e mail
- DW will do article for TP about Hill House and arrange for Di Nixon to come to a PC meeting

DW

	<u>Thurgarton People</u>	
	DW reported that TP is getting limited response from advertisers. TP needs £100 from the PC. All agreed that it is a worthwhile magazine to support. Unanimous approval. Clerk to do cheque	Clerk
	DW expressed concern that Toria needs back up incase of illness etc. TT will talk to her to see what she needs	TT
5.2	<u>EM : village maintenance</u>	
	EM reported that this is ongoing. The list of items from the walk will be circulated and discussed at the next meeting.	Clerk
	EM has asked NCC to adopt footpath from steps up to Orchard View and has the forms ready to be completed.	EM
5.3	<u>IE : "Odd job man"</u>	
	IE has tidied up around the shed and spoken to Anne T re a new fence and improved screening.	IE
	Ongoing	IE
5.4	<u>CD : highways</u>	
	<u>Speed sign</u>	
	NCC have confirmed they will put an interactive sign on Bleasby Rd due to the speeds recorded but CD feels this will not make people slow down. Roger Jackson will set up a meeting with Jo Horton from NCC to discuss this and other speeding issues : late response of sign on A612 bank, new sign by The Old School which was previously promised, possible 40mph speed outside of the village as at Burton Joyce.	RJ/CD
	<u>Crack on bridge on Goverton Rd</u>	
	Clerk has reported this to NCC who have inspected and said it is being monitored, will be repaired but is safe.	
	<u>Drain by the war memorial</u>	
	CD has reported to NCC several times; it will be done before winter	
5.5	<u>TM : Corner Croft</u>	
	TM reported there is a funding meeting set up to take the scheme forward. TM will relook at the area in the light of the bus stop moving.	TM
	<u>Best Kept Village Competition</u>	
	The judges gave Thurgarton some good comments: generally well kept front gardens but some frontages were not as good, white posts look good but area around shed was noted as looking scruffy.	Clerk
	TM is owed £5. Clerk to do cheque	
6.0	CORRESPONDENCE	
6.1	<u>Bus stop</u>	
	Clerk reported that NCC have confirmed the war memorial stop is unacceptable due to safety issues and an e mail/notice has been circulated around the village telling people. But there is still a lot of confusion and the general feeling was that the bus stop should remain by the war memorial as moving it up the hill nearer the The Red Lion could cause more problems with cars going out around he existing island to overtake the bus.	
	Roger Jackson will get a site meeting with NCC/NCTX and Chas Whittaker (Red Lion) and IE will also attend.	RJ
6.2	<u>Footpath on Beck Street</u>	
	A member of the public had raised the issue that the footpath stops at the end of Beck St but all agreed that there is a path along the side of the island which is acceptable.	
6.3	<u>Standards Training Day</u>	
	9 September 2013. Councillors to let Clerk know if they want to attend as there is a need to register.	
7.0	FINANCE	
7.1	The 2012/13 accounts have been sent for external audit.	
	Balances as follows : current a/c £6991.53, reserve a/c £1187.50.	
8.0	MINOR SPENDS	
	None	
9.0	AOB	
9.1	<u>Future of the village hall</u>	
	Trinity have approved the transfer of lease to the PC; the transfer will be paid for by the VH committee. TS suggested that during the renegotiation, the lease could be made longer and more land could be acquired.	
	TCA will possibly take over the management. TS asked if any councillors want to be involved in the VH management; CD and IE declined. TS will meet with Jan asap and will draft e mail to send round to see who may be interested, TM suggested perceived ownership of the hall by villagers is	

important for the future.

9.2 Land at the rear of Jan's house

Land is owned by Trinity and leased by Mel. Jan to approach Mel in the first instance re overgrowth.

9.3 Sailing club meeting

Councillors are invited to a meeting on 17 July at Hoveringhm VH to hear about the future of the sailing club which is likely to move to the lake by the station. TM, TS and Clerk will attend.

9.4 Flies

There are lots of flies in the village in the current hot weather. The chicken farm have had a recent inspection and it is confirmed that this is not the source of the flies.

9.0 **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS**

14 August

25 September

6 November

all to be at 7.30pm at the Methodist Church

The meeting was closed at 8.55pm

10.0 **CIRCULATION**

All councillors

Village e mail