

# THURGARTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting Wednesday 09 April 7.30pm

## THOSE PRESENT/APOLOGIES

Chair	Toni Smith	TS
Cllr	David Waine	DW
Cllr	Charles Day	CD
Cllr	Ian Edwards	IE
Cllr	Ellis Morgan	EM
Cllr	Tina Tsoutakos	TT
Cllr	Roger Jackson	RJ
Clerk	Annie Duquemin	Clerk

9 members of the public were in attendance

## ACTION

1.0

### MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

The minutes were unanimously approved and signed by TS.

2.0

### MATTERS ARISING

2.1

#### Fly tipping

The rubbish left in Thoresby's field by the layby has now been removed

The meeting was closed and opened to the public at 7.32pm

3.0

### QUESTIONS/STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

3.1

#### Cricket club

CC now registered as an amateur sports club so will not pay rates and can get gift aid. CC have just spent £4000 on new covers.

Resident encouraged all from the village to support the club and noted that the clubhouse will be open if any cricket is being played. TS offered her congratulations

3.2

#### Various issues

Resident commented on the following :

- Thanks to CD for getting manhole cover repaired by The Park
- Thanks to DW for article on tip closure in TP
- Who checks plans if not being built to the approved plans? TS stated that RB has said in the past that it is up to the public to report issues such as this to the local authority. Resident has noted a garage is being built at Hope House for which there is no permission. NSDC have not been informed. TS suggested asking RB (absent so Clerk will e mail him)
- Noise and light at Creagh has been ongoing between 2.30 and 3.30am. Clerk to contact them. All noted that noise from Hansons has reduced recently.
- Lorries parking on Station Rd is still ongoing. Clerk to contact Janet Lee

Clerk

Clerk

Clerk

3.3

#### Speeding on Bleasby Rd

Interactive sign will go up 2014/15. DW will ask if police can do a session with the safety group.

CD has reported the sign on the A612 is not working.

DW

3.4

#### Footpath at HL on Priory Rd

This needs repairing. EM to talk to Matt Duckworth

EM

3.5

#### New weight limit

RJ reported this is now in force on the A612. This is self policed so all to report to NSDC or NCC of people see law breakers.

3.6

#### LIS scheme

RJ reported no money available for Thurgarton

3.7

#### 40mph speed limit at Gunthorpe

Nothing can be done. There is severe congestion at the turn to Shelford

#### Accident on A612

Fatal accident on 5/04/14. RJ suggested PC to write to Jo Horton to see if we can have 40 or 50mph speed limit either side of the village.

Clerk

The meeting was closed at 7.50pm.

4.0

### PLANNING

4.1

Ref 14/00294/FUL Woodside Farm.

This is a resubmission due to an incorrect form being submitted and has previously been discussed.

Unanimous in favour.

5.0

### STRATEGY ROLES

5.1

#### DW : Crime/communications

Nothing to report

	Clerk will raise the issue of slander on website and TP at the insurance seminar on 1 May	Clerk
5.2	<u>EM : village maintenance</u> List of maintenance items compiled and being worked through. NCC have been informed of their responsibilities on the list	
5.2.1	Resident has asked if the gate can be removed on the footpath from the A612 to Bleasby Rd. Concern over motorbikes using this as a cut through. Unanimous against	
5.3	<u>TS on behalf of TM : Corner Croft/phone box</u>	
5.3.1	<b>Corner Croft</b> A plan was drawn up for grant application but it has been deferred for discussion as time was too tight for the April deadline and issues such as RB asking N&S Homes to consider levelling the paving (which had been a key part of the plan) and the car parking question meant a holistic approach needs to be taken.	
5.3.2	<b>Tree grant</b> The new trees have been planted and paid for by the PC but will be reimbursed by the grant. TM to chase up grant and Clerk to arrange VAT recovery.	TM
5.4	<u>TT : Emergency warden</u>	
5.4.1	<b>Beck Monitor</b> Monitor still on trial, EA agreed to fund. Plan for info from monitor to be presented on TPC home page, plan to add rain gauge. TT thanks RJ for suggesting she contact EA.	
5.4.2	<b>Thurgarton Emergency Plan (TEP)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Co-ordinators have signed-up most households in the village to TEP, and this information is now being collated. However there are still a few households (10-20%) that have not yet responded to the Co-ordinator. Plan to send a note to these residents in the hope of adding them to the final list. Various suggestions were made as to how this should be done. TBC.</li> <li>• The next step will be a test of the TEP ideally before 1 June 2014.</li> <li>• Working at finalising the TEP document which will then need ratifying by various agencies before being published to the village.</li> </ul>	TT TT
5.4.3	<b>IDB / NCC - last meeting 1/4/14</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IDB presented final Engineer's Report on Flooding in Thurgarton 2007 &amp; 2013</li> <li>• IDB confirmed that maintenance work to both Bentley and Railway drains is planned for this year and will probably happen in the Autumn, funding provided by IDB &amp; NCC.</li> <li>• Confirmation that IDB/NCC funding for computer modelling of short list of flood alleviation options has been approved. PC will be involved in the list.</li> <li>• Thurgarton included in 6 yr government capital bid programme for flood alleviation.</li> </ul>	
5.4.4	<b>IDB / Trinity College - last meeting 1/4/14</b> Still working at gaining agreement from Trinity College to utilise the 22 acre field on Station Rd to remove flood water from Beck St in a flood event. This is the preferred short term solution but there are concerns re the effect on the crop.	
5.4.5	<b>Best kept village competition</b> Deadline of 30/5 to enter, £5 fee. TT unable to do. Clerk to do this year. Suggest flyer round the village	Clerk
5.4.6	<b>CPRE</b> Concern raised that we will probably need support from this body in the future regarding flood alleviation, should we reconsider? TT will investigate how CPRE might help flood issues	TT
5.4.7	<b>Defibrillator</b> TT has spoken with E Bridgford and understand the process by which they gained a defibrillator for their village. Community Heartbeat Trust provided the kit in a cabinet with an awareness session for £2K. If registered with EMAS then the 999 operator will be aware and can point suitable candidates to using the defib. If the process includes 999 operator then user is covered by insurance. TT suggested that we have the Community Heartbeat Trust present the full story to us. Other suggestions are to contact EMAS for free training. Clerk to investigate TT did First Aid course and suggests we could run another one as very good. Also suggest we find out how any CPR trained people in the village as part of TEP	Clerk TT
5.5	<u>CD : Highways</u>	
5.5.1	<b>Leaning sign</b> CD has reported	
5.5.2	<b>Mirrors</b> CD to look at poles which Clerk has	CD
5.5.3	<b>Drains</b> 4 drains on A612 still blocked. CD has reported	

5.5.4	<b>Tarmac alongside Tonic</b> Tarmac repair needed; CD to contact NCC	
5.6	<u>IE : Village handyman</u>	
5.6.1	<b>Fence around emergency shed</b> Owner has paid for this and it looks very good.	
5.6.2	<b>War memorial ceremony</b> IE has not progressed this yet	
5.6.3	<b>Village gateways</b> £1000 available fro NCC RJ fund. IE and EM will put a piece of white fencing at one entrance to see how it looks. All agreed.	IE/EM
6.0	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	
6.1	<u>Bonfires</u> Resident has highlighted the possible problem of bonfires being lit to burn garden rubbish now the tip has closed. Several bonfires have been reported in Priory Park and at the Coach and Horses. Problems of excessive smoke to be reported to NSDC.	ALL
6.2	<u>First Aid course</u> Clerk had received thanks from Philip Jessop who had run the course. There was a good response and all agreed to run another one at a later date.	Clerk
7.0	<b>FINANCE</b>	
7.1	<b>Balances as follows</b> : current a/c £4759.78, reserve a/c £1187.95. <b>Accounts</b> : These are nearly finalized subject to information from bank re outstanding cheques.	ALL
7.2	Clerk asked for approval of John King as internal auditor (he did the accounts last year). Approved	
7.3	TM to request final account from Tonic as they are now leaving	TM
8.0	<b>MINOR SPENDS</b> None	
9.0	<b>AOB</b>	
9.1	<u>Coach and Horses redevelopment</u> TS reported that she and DW have met with the developer (Park Portfolio Ltd) at PPL request. Pub will be boarded up within 2 weeks and the development could take 2 years. Intention is to apply for permission for 4 houses, although developer is amenable to discuss options with the PC re affordable housing. Frontage of the pub would be kept as existing. Access will be opposite Corner Croft.	
9.1.2	PC concerns raised were : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will cause problems short and long term for CC parking. It was noted that parking along the CC stretch is already illegal as there should be no parking within 10m of a junction or bend.</li> <li>• Paper box and recycling bins will have to be moved</li> <li>• What will the site look like given the 2 years development period?</li> </ul>	
9.1.3	Residents from CC reported that they have had a meeting with N&S Homes and a plan is being drawn up which will look at the parking issue. TS said the PC would want to be involved given the impact on the new access into the development site, and will contact N&SH.	TS
9.2	<u>Strategy meeting</u> A request was made for a strategy meeting. Clerk to circulate dates	Clerk
10.0	<b>DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS</b> 14 May 7pm AGM at the village hall 2 July 7.30pm at the Methodist church 13 August 7.30pm at the Methodist church The meeting closed at 9.10pm	