

**THURGARTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday January 26 at 7.30 pm in the Methodist Church**

Couns Tina Tsoukatos (Chairman)

Roger Aston (A), Denise Bryant, Charles Day, David Lewis, and Natalie Robinson.

In attendance: Clerk Mike Elliott, District Councillor Roger Jackson and one member of the public.

- 1] APOLOGIES Coun. Roger Aston and the reason accepted.
- 2] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none
- 3] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 5, 2017 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman.
- 4] CASUAL VACANCY – RESIGNATION ANDREW PARKER. The clerk said the council were free to co-opt to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Andrew Parker, Newark and Sherwood District Council having advised there had been no call for an election. Mr Chris Peach of Goverton has expressed an interest in the position and on the recommendation of the chairman was officially co-opted to the council. The clerk would provide Mr Peach with the necessary paperwork.
- 5] CLERK'S REPORT ON PREVIOUS MEETING BUSINESS  
There had been no decisions notified yet in regard to the three planning applications discussed at the special meeting of the council on January 5.
- 6] ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC  
The council were shown proposals for development of a new property within the grounds of The White house on Southwell Road. The actual planning application is yet to be made.
- 7] CORRESPONDENCE  
A letter was received from Lisa Gibson-Mead, of the Acacia Hair Salon on the use of Traffic Cones outside her premises. There were some concerns on whether the parish council should be involved and Coun. Day was to raise the matter with the County Council highways.  
Newark and Sherwood DC advised of Local Development Framework Plan consultations events but it was felt there was no involvement necessary for the parish. Robert Jenrick MP, wrote to advise that the suggested parish council tax referendum system had now been discounted by the Government.  
  
At this point District Councillor Roger Jackson was invited to speak. He advised plans were in hand to improve the Broadband provision on Bleasby Road sometime between June and September. The Neighbourhood Plan produced by the parish Council had been well received and he was aware other parishes were intent on contacting Thurgarton on it. The question of forward funding by the County for the gateway scheme was discussed.
- 8] PLANNING  
NEWARK & SHERWOOD DISTRICT COUNCIL APPLICATIONS  
16/01934/Ful Thurgarton Priory, Priory Rd, Thurgarton, NG14 7GY Retrospective Application for change of use to locate Glamping Tent. Object. There are no conditions regarding length of stay, there are no conditions that this must remain a holiday let and there are no conditions that this must not become a residential property  
16/02157/Ful Priory Farm, Nottingham Rd, Thurgarton NG14 7GY Application To Vary Conditions 07,22 And 24 Of Planning Permission 16/00529/Ful to allow Existing Building which was to be re-sited to create the new cart shed on the Northern End of the site, To Remain where it is and be Converted to form Dwelling Unit C. Alterations to layouts and Windows and Doors of Unit A, B And C. Object. The council note that the plans do not show previously proposed garages for Units B and C.

The comments previously made in regard to a restriction on when the new buildings comprising plots 1,2 and 3 could be occupied not before Units A, B and C have been removed and are not shown and we feel that condition must be restored.

NEWARK & SHERWOOD DISTRICT COUNCIL DECISIONS

16/00963/ful. Pearl Developments Ltd, Proposed retention of the Red Lion public house, following its alteration and refurbishment and the erection of three dwellings and 1 dormer bungalow. Permit.

16/01838/ful. Construct new bungalow, alternative design o extant permission, land to the rear of the Red Lion public house, Priory Lane. Permit

16/01876/lbc Dr Colin Durnin, Mayley Cottage, Bleasby Road. Internal repairs and alterations, replacement doors and windows and insertion of new window to rear elevation. Permit

9] STRATEGY MEETING

The meeting agreed that the item and reports within it be raised at the February meeting of the council.

10] STRATEGY ROLES

a. EMERGENCY MEASURES (Natalie Robinson)

Coun. Robinson reported that in December an incident relating to the defibrillator was reported. It involved an incorrect code being provided to a parishioner by East Midlands Ambulance Service (EMAS), and this resulted in the defibrillator not being available to be used. She said they had this incident escalated within EMAS to identify what had happened and how to resolve this matter quickly. The full investigation by EMAS is still on-going and they have reported the following initial finding:

“The defibrillator had not been added to EMAS’ Control System which is incredibly disappointing. The details have now been added to the system and this is now showing as live should a call be received nearby that requires it’s use, the caller will be informed of the correct code.

“We are now currently undertaking a full investigation as to why this information has not been added previously after being passed to us upon its first installation in the village.

Again I can only apologise at this time for the error and please be assured we are taking this very seriously, we need to know where the process has gone wrong and take steps to make sure this doesn’t happen again. We will be in contact as soon as possible with our findings”.

Coun. Robinson said the Council were extremely disappointed in this failure and they are taking additional steps with EMAS to ensure it doesn’t happen again.

The councillor added that as such the incident has also been registered as a formal complaint with PALS (Patient Advice and Liaison Service).

b. HIGHWAYS AND BROADBAND (Charles Day)

Coun. Day reported he was in contact with Notts County Council officer Matt Duckworth in regard to the question of drains on the A612. Gullies had been cleared but the actual drains had not. The officer said the work was in hand but could not say when it would be effected.

The officer has also said that the question of refurbished road markings in the parish was also on the forward work list.

It was agreed by the meeting that the minutes for September 6 2016 failed to mention Notts County Council are part funding the Village Entrance Signs to the tune of £2000.

c. VILLAGE ASSETS (Roger Aston)

No report was given

d. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (Tina Tsoukatos)

The chairman presented the following report:

# Now reached a significant stage in the process towards having a fully functioning, legal Thurgarton Neighbourhood Plan.

# 6 week consultation process ran from 28<sup>th</sup> Oct to 9<sup>th</sup> December. As part of the pre-submission process another survey was carried out in order to test and collect feedback from Parishioners on the 6 policies contained within the Thurgarton Neighbourhood Plan Pre-submission version. In addition local businesses, local landowners and Statutory Consultees were also asked for their feedback on the Thurgarton Neighbourhood Plan Pre-submission version.

# Many thanks to all who took the time to respond to the survey, this was really the only way that we had to gauge whether the proposed policies matched the expectations of the majority of parishioners. In total there were 91 respondents to the survey. The overall result was that the vast majority of respondents supported all the policies proposed in the Neighbourhood Plan.

# As a result of this feedback from Parishioners and Consultees a number of alterations were made resulting in the Thurgarton Neighbourhood Plan, Submission version.

# The Thurgarton Neighbourhood Plan, 2016-2026 Submission version was submitted to Newark and Sherwood District Council (NSDC) just before Christmas, along with the other necessary documents – the Thurgarton Neighbourhood Plan Consultation Statement and the Thurgarton Neighbourhood Plan Basic Conditions Statement. All of these documents can be found on the village web site.

# NSDC has confirmed receipt of the Thurgarton Neighbourhood Plan, Submission version and that they are satisfied that the plan proposal submission meets the requirements set out in the 1990 Act and therefore complies with the criteria for a neighbourhood plan.

# NSDC are now publicising this detail on their website, in the Bramley, where and when it can be inspected - which is at the District Council Offices, Kelham Hall and Southwell library during normal office / opening hours – and how to make representations on the plan proposals including provision for request of notification of the LPA decision on the plan proposal, and the deadline for receipt of representations which will be no later than 13th February 2017.

e. VILLAGE HALL (David Lewis)

Coun. Lewis said here was significant expenditure coming forward for the hall and said that during the 2017-18 year this could amount of £6000. He was suggesting the council include £1500 in its budget for the coming year to assist but the matter was left over to the next meeting.

f. ENVIRONMENT (Denise Bryant)

Coun. Bryant presented an Environment spreadsheet for the Village annual work schedule and budget proposal in which she had attempted to calculate an annual accrual amount for the 17/18 budget and subsequent budgets.

She said she also wished to propose that the council discuss the promotion of the village as a good place to live by enhancing its website and also having an active Facebook page. The TCA are actively looking for new village activities to be held in the Village Hall and the website and Facebook page could actively promote this.

g. COMMUNICATION (Tina Tsoukatos)

The chairman spoke on the subject of communication the council point of view and said the role includes web site, emailing information to the parish, TP articles, proactively liaising with local businesses and other village groups eg WI etc.

She said she had met with the Vicar on January 5 to share thoughts and exchange views. The question was asked of the council to find if they were going to part fund maintenance of the graveyard. The chairman also said she was still requesting a meeting with Forterra and had a plan to meet with Trinity College.

No decision was taken on the question of the refurbishment of the telephone kiosk.

11] FINANCE

a] CHEQUES FOR PAYMENT were approved as per the circulated list.

b] DISCUSS AND DECIDE UPON BUDGET 2017/18

Coun. Day presented an informative report on the accounts of the council which suggested available funds to start the 2017-8 year as £8,661, with an additional £4,488 in reserves and a further anticipated £1000 due to the council from VAT payments made in the last year.

After discussion the council agreed on a precept for 2017-18 of £6,050.

12] ASSET REGISTER

The matter was not discussed.

13] AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 23 2017

Nothing further was put forward

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.10pm.

