

**THURGARTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday July 27, 2017**  
**at 7.30 pm in the Methodist Church**  
Couns Tina Tsoukatos (Chairman)  
Roger Aston, Denise Bryant, Natalie Robinson  
Charles Day, David Lewis, Katie Chan

- 1] APOLOGIES There were none
- 2] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Coun. Aston non pecuniary interest in Planning Application 17/01138/ful. Elmcroft, The Park,NG14 7HA.
- 3] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON JUNE 22, 2017 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman
- 4] CLERK'S REPORT ON PREVIOUS MEETING BUSINESS  
Details had been provided by Newark and Sherwood District Council on Community Infrastructure payments between April 1 2013 and March 31 2017. Three payments in all had been paid, £815 42p for 2013/14, £3016 27p for 2015/16 and £1598.95 for £2016-17.  
Insurance declaration. The clerk had to sign a form in regard to previous insurance movements and the meeting confirmed there had been no claims by or against the council in the stated period of three years.
- 5] REPORT FROM THE DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER  
Coun. Jackson updated members on planning matters and said the District Council were moving to their new offices in Newark on September 24. He was asked to obtain comments in regard to the broadband service in the village with particular reference to Bleasby Road. Coun. Day said fibre connection had been made to all the supply boxes but there was a lack of information regarding to how this affected specified properties there.
- 6] ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC There were no members of the public present.
- 7] CORRESPONDENCE  
Notts ALC gave notice of their annual meeting for Wednesday May 15, Chief Constable Craig Guildford the speaker. All councils asked to be represented.  
Newark and Sherwood District Council had provided a Consultation paper on how they dealt with planning applications and acknowledged that town and parish councils were sometimes concerned when decisions made in respect of their parish did not accord to the views of the local councils. The District provided a guide sheet in respect of the common matters were material or not material to decisions. The clerk gave each member a copy of the District Council list.
- 8] PLANNING  
NEWARK & SHERWOOD DISTRICT COUNCIL APPLICATIONS  
17/01138/ful. Elmcroft, The Park,NG14 7HA. Demolish existing house Do not object but query in regard to a bat survey. Coun. Aston declared a non pecuniary interest in this application and did not take part in any discussions or vote.  
NEWARK & SHERWOOD DISTRICT COUNCIL DECISIONS  
17/00697/FUL. Mr Mrs Ross, Holly Tree Cottage, The Hollows. Proposed dwelling including demolition of garage. Refuse  
Councillor Aston drew attention to the fact that a planning application for a mobile home is still shown as awaiting a decision from the Planning Authority on its website after over a year. Councillors Day and Tsoukatos asserted that the application had been decided. Further enquires would be made to establish the correct position.
- 9] STRATEGY ROLES  
EMERGENCY MEASURES (NATALIE ROBINSON)  
Beck Monitor SMS service: All households who registered are now live on system. Communication has gone out on village email service and Thurgarton People. If people still want to register they can.  
Defibrillator : Simple guide on how to access it has been sent out in village email service and also will appear in Thurgarton People with view people can tear it out and keep in safe place.  
Ops guide has been updated with WebNos access details and circulated to councillors.

Coun. Robinson said she was awaiting details of CPR/defib training options in terms of cost and will report back to council.

The focus for next month will be setting up test run for TEP for September and reviewing Road Closure Scheme

#### HIGHWAYS AND BROADBAND (CHARLES DAY)

Highways, Potholes have been reported to NCC on :- Priory Road, A612 top of the hill towards Southwell, Entrance to the layby on A612, Exit from layby on A612

Station Road hedge overgrowth has been reported by NCC to the farmer for action however this may take some time to fix as they are in the harvesting season.

Road markings on the A612 in the middle of the village are still in work in progress by Highways as are the road drains on the A612 between The Park and Beck Street.

Broadband.: New fibre conduit has been laid along Bleasby Road to the cabinet 2 from the exchange. No further information on the plan for Bleasby Road has been released by Open Reach to Better Broadband for Nottingham (NCC) and Councillor Roger Jackson was asked to have pressure put on Open Reach to provide information to their client NCC.

#### VILLAGE ASSETS (ROGER ASTON)

Red Lion survey – it was suggested that the survey results should be withheld. Coun. Aston said that there were people in the village wanting to know the results and, having gone to the trouble of completing the questionnaire, it was unreasonable not to publicise the results. It was agreed to make a statement on the matter in Thurgarton People.

Sponsorship of village signs: Coun. Aston called for an update from the chairman on this matter. Coun. Tsoukatos agreed to progress the matter upon her return from holiday in September.

Village Hall freehold acquisition – a request has been made to the Senior Bursar of Trinity College, Cambridge, which was passed onto Savills, Nottingham. The latter asked for a plan which was sent. So far, no reply but agreed to pursue the matter in September.

First World War plaque – agreed to proceed and to place it by the village information board. The latter needs updating and it was agreed to seek a volunteer with the necessary artistic skills to do so.

#### VILLAGE HALL (DAVID LEWIS)

Coun. Lewis report Thurgarton Community Association had organised a successful rounders' evening at the cricket pitch in July. The next event will be Champagne and Strawberries at the end of July. Funds are currently positive.

Following on from the previous meeting Coun. Lewis said he had since been in touch with Andrew Hardy, Community Project Manager at Newark and Sherwood to seek advice on the Parish Council being the sole name on the current village hall lease. He was awaiting a reply on this matter.

Hoveringham PC to be contacted to find out if they have a working document in place that specifies how their village hall works in tandem with the Parish Council. Further PC/TCA meeting to be set up to move item forward.

#### NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (TINA TSOUKATOS)

The chairman said the Plan had been officially accepted by Newark and Sherwood District Council and was now being recognised. It would be reviewed in four years time. It was agreed the item now be removed from the Strategy list.

#### COMMUNICATION (TINA TSOUKATOS) AND KATIE CHAN

Work was to be carried out by the council, said the chairman, on the website. Two pages were to be allocated to the parish council in each issue of the Thurgarton People newsletter and members were reminded to submit items they may have.

It was agreed an item on The Red Lion be included each meeting under the Strategy section.

ENVIRONMENT (DENISE BRYANT).

The clerk was asked to write to the residents at the property Corners in Bleasby Road to advise them that as they had not reduced the width of the boundary hedge between their property between themselves and the Methodist Church the council were to ask Notts County Council to take action and possibly carry out the work themselves with the cost borne by the property owners.

Banks to the A612 had been trimmed has had the pathway from Southwell Road to Bleasby Road. The Autumn Village Clean-up was proposed for Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October. Advertisement put into the Aug/Sept edition of the Thurgarton People and reminders will be sent out closer to the date.

Lowdham PC to be contacted to find out how the organise and fund their annual Xmas decorations. First phase in investigating having a larger Xmas focal point within the village.

RED LION PUBLIC HOUSE (KATIE CHAN)

STRATEGY MEETING (TINA TSOUKATOS)

It was agreed to hold a meeting in September and that it would take place at the home of the chairman. Coun. Lewis was to approach all members as to their most convenient dates.

10] FINANCE -- ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT were approved as per the circulated list.

The clerk presented papers for members to sign to introduce an internet and BACs payments system for the council. Coun. Day was to deal.

11] AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING September 28 2017 Speeding on Beck street was to be an item.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9-30pm.

