

# THURGARTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting Wednesday 27 February 2013

## THOSE PRESENT/APOLOGIES

Chair	Toni Smith	TS
Deputy	David Waine	DW
Cllr	Charles Day	CD
Cllr	Ian Edwards	IE
Cllr	Tony Monaghan	TM
Cllr	Ellis Morgan	EM
Cllr	Roger Blaney	RB
Cllr	Andy Stewart	AS
Clerk	Annie Duquemin	Clerk

7 members of the public were in attendance

## ACTION

### COUNCILLOR NEVILLE BUTLER

TS reported the death of Councillor Neville Butler who died on 15 February and asked everyone present to take a minute to remember him and his significant contribution to the Parish Council over many years. The funeral will be held on 28 Feb at Mansfield Crematorium and some members of the PC will attend.

### 1.0 MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

It was noted that EM and IE were at the last meeting but this was not minuted. The date was also incorrect and should have read 09 Jan 2013. The minutes were signed by TS.

### 2.0 MATTERS ARISING

#### 2.1 Insurance for allotments

NSDC have confirmed that the current insurance will cover the allotment scheme

#### 2.2 Path to the station : across the field

TS has chased Savills to talk to the farmer. To be reviewed

#### Path to the station : along the road

Clerk has reported to NCC. To be reviewed

#### 2.3 LIS Form

AS has supported application and Clerk has been in touch with NCC re ordering new noticeboard. Position to be agreed asap depending on Corner Croft scheme. AS will also contribute £400 towards the fingerpost sign.

#### 2.4 Litter from delivery lorries

Clerk has written to Creagh and Hansons and will follow up a response over the next few weeks. Hoveringham PC have also noticed a similar problem of litter.

#### 2.5 Letter to Paul Taylor re flooding

Paul has contacted the Clerk and said he will confirm ownership of the bridge and then be in touch to discuss a way forward. To be reviewed.

#### 2.6 MH cover opp on A612

AS has reported to STWA as it is their MH.

#### 2.7 Defibrillator

DW has decided to wait until Peter Mycock is better and will then contact Yvonne to see if she is still interested. Hoveringham PC have just purchased one so DW to contact them as well.

The meeting closed at 7.42pm and was then opened to the public.

### 3.0 QUESTIONS/STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

#### 3.1 Sarah Macrae (SM), resident of Hope House

Application is going to committee 5 March 2013. RB explained this is a matter of procedure by NSDC. SM explained some of the background to the new application. SM showed the PC some letters to clarify this. SM also reported that she had received a letter of support for the new application from Spinney Way and showed the PC a copy. SM confirmed that there would not be a garage built on the site and confirmed that the 4 security lights were the original ones from the previous owner. Thornton Lea resident Roger Aston (RA) clarified that he had not expressed a view on behalf of Spinney Way. PC will discuss further under item 4.0.

#### 3.2 Tree trimming on the A612

This has now been done and all thanked AS. A member of the public asked if the trimmings could be raked off. To be organized with local contractor.

Clerk

3.3	<u>Fingerpost</u> AS confirmed he will contribute £400. Clerk to go ahead with order	Clerk
3.4	<u>Bulb planting</u> AS will check his budget and see if he can give money. He will be retiring at the end of April	AS
3.6	<u>Traffic survey</u> CD handed over the replies received : 23 responses from 38 handed out. AS will report to NCC	AS
3.7	<u>Footpath from A612 to Bleasby Rd</u> NCC have cut back today The meeting closed to the public at 8.00pm and was then reopened.	
4.0	<b>PLANNING</b>	
4.1	<u>Land at the rear of The Red Lion 12/01637FUL</u> : access to the site has been granted permission at appeal. IE reported that he is investigating ownership of the land as it is unclear who owns it.	IE
4.2	<u>Land at the rear of the Red Lion 12/01375FUL</u> : PC have received notification that this is going to appeal. PC will confirm to NSDC that their previous objections still stand and will comment that an ownership investigation is ongoing over the access and that there are already 8 houses accessed off a private drive. (see 4.1 above)	TS
4.3	<u>Hope House application ref 12/01720FUL</u> : PC have previously made their comments to NSDC and felt there were no further comments to be made. Concern was still expressed over the security lighting. Application is going to committee 5 March 2013.	
5.0	<b>VACANCY ON THE PARISH COUNCIL</b> TS reported that the PC need to formally invite electors to consider a replacement for Neville Butler and that if 10 signatures are put forward, an election may have to be held which will be very costly. Clerk to circulate notice via e mail and on noticeboard 1 March 2013 asking that anyone interested should speak to TS asap.	Clerk
6.0	<b>AGM 22 May 2013 7.30pm</b> TS asked for suggestions for a format for the AGM. Suggestions are : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Talk by Trinity College</li> <li>• Update on maintenance/improvements</li> <li>• Talk from all societies in the village</li> <li>• Financial update including why the precept has had to be raised</li> </ul> DW commented that it could be seen as mid term review for the current PC. To be agreed at the next meeting	ALL
7.0	<b>STRATEGY ROLES</b>	
7.1	<u>EM : Verge maintenance</u> At the Strategy meeting 28 Jan 2013, it was agreed that NCC would be asked to take on the maintenance of verges for the 2013/14 season. Further cutting and strimming may be needed and it was agreed that EM and the Clerk will have a budget of £800pa for this work.	EMClerk
7.2	<u>TM : Environment</u> TM reported on a successful meeting with N&S Homes to take the scheme for Corner Croft further. Some maintenance has been carried out since then by N&SH but there is more to be done. TM to urgently produce a draft scheme for review by TS so that the Clerk can send to N&SH. Their approval can then be sought for : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Siting of the new noticeboard (funded by NCC : LIS)</li> <li>• Siting of the fingerpost sign (funded by NCC/PC)</li> <li>• Siting of a bench alongside the bus stop (funded by TCA)</li> <li>• Possible extension of the paving area (funding not yet found but could be N&amp;SH/others?)</li> </ul> EM will see if Rotary has funding and Clerk is attending funding seminar on 20 March so maybe able to get further money. PC had suggested at the meeting that they could help with approaching The Coach and Horses about parking for CC residents; currently one resident has permission. Clerk will also chase N&SH re completing essential maintenance	TM EM Clerk
7.3	<u>CD : Highways</u> Bleasby Rd survey : CD reported that 23 responses had all wanted some speeding measures put in place. Some Goverton residents had also responded positively. Responses have been handed over to AS for submission to NCC. Clerk to get quotes for gates at the entrance to the villages and to investigate the possible update of the village interactive speed signs : IE thinks the contact is Ray Charnley at NCC	Clerk
7.4	<u>Tarmac liaison</u> This role has been carried out by NB in the past. EM agreed to go to the next meeting on Wed 24 April 6pm on site. Clerk to let Tarmac know and forward EM details.	Clerk

7.5	<u>TS : TCA spending</u> Clerk to order new dog poo bin which TCA will pay for and PC will pay for maintenance as agreed at the last meeting	Clerk
7.6	<u>Vulnerable residents</u> At the Jan 2013 strategy meeting it was agreed that the PC should be aware of vulnerable residents who may need help. It will be a rolling agenda item.	
8.0	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	
8.1	<u>LIS meeting 7 March</u> TS to attend to see what LIS funding is available	TS
8.2	<u>Funding seminar 20 March</u> Clerk to attend	Clerk
9.0	<b>FINANCE</b>	
9.1	<u>Precept</u> At the strategy meeting 28 Jan 2013 the PC approved increasing the precept by £500 to £3500 to cover the ongoing cost of maintenance and for specific projects for the village. TS and Clerk are getting quotes for painting the white posts and rails. Clerk to check with NCC if they can be straightened first. CD also commented that a lower rail is missing in some sections	TSClerk Clerk
9.2	<u>Account balances</u> Current account : £6073.93 Reserve account : £1187.36 Cheques written <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £86.76 : NALC subscription.</li> </ul> DW will become another signatory. Clerk to get forms from Nat West TM will work out how much is owed to Tonic for the Christmas lights etc	Clerk TM
9.3	<u>PAYE</u> TS reported that PAYE is quite problematic and time consuming for paying the Clerk and that it would cost around £60 to get someone to do it for the PC. All agreed to get it done. TS to organise	TS
10.0	<b>MINOR SPENDS</b>	
10.1	<u>Chairmans fund</u> TM proposed that a card should be sent to Muriel who is a resident at CC and is 101. TM to organize and to make sure Linda Morgan has info to do an article about her in the next TP : deadline 11 March	TM
11.0	<b>AOB</b>	
11.1	<u>Footpath by the steps onto Priory Rd</u> TM commented that the path is getting badly eroded when there is a lot of rain. All agreed that it would be a good idea to get the footpath adopted by NCC in the future	EM
9.2	<u>Road repairs by the cricket ground entrance</u> CD will report to NCC as the road had washed away here	CD
10.0	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS</b> 10 April (IE may not be available as he returns from holiday that day) 7.30pm 22 May (AGM) The meeting was closed at 9.03pm	
12.0	<b>CIRCULATION</b> All councillors Village e mail	