

THURGARTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Thursday 27th February 2020 at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors; Tina Tsoukatos (TT), David Lewis (DL), Denise Bryant (DB), Roger Foster (RF), Natalie Robinson (NR) and Steve Edkins (SE)

Officer: Lisa-Jayne Campbell

In Attendance: 4 members of public and Cllr. Roger Jackson (RJ)

minute item/year	DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS	ACTION
T/179/19 Apologies	Apologies were received from Cllr. Katie Chan (KC)	
T/180/19 Declarations	There were no declarations of interest.	
T/181/19 Minutes of previous meeting	The minutes of the meeting held on 23 rd January 2020 were agreed as a true record and signed by TT.	Approved
T/182/19 Reports from District and County Council Members	A meeting with Network Raid to discuss the broken gate was set up but cancelled by them; RJ is waiting to re-schedule. RJ was asked to follow-up on the blocked drains along A612 and Station Road.	RJ
T/183/19 Public Items	A member of public was concerned about Ivy growing around a street light and preventing the light from being fully effective; he was advised to report this online on the NCC website.	
T/184/19 Correspondence	The Clerk received an offer of free community First Aid training; the PC gave the Clerk authorisation to organise it in April and to liaise with NR for promotions - Clerk to send all details to NR. DL received the local Waste Plan document which RF agreed to read through.	Clerk NR RF
T/185/19 Planning	There were no submissions for consideration.	
	Strategy Roles	
T/186/19 Emergency Measures	NR gave a full report on the recent flooding problems where it was agreed that a full inventory of equipment in the Resource Shed was needed as well as better lighting, shelving and organising so that equipment was easy to access in a time of need; NR, SE and RF agreed to deal with this. It was agreed that storage space on Bleasby Road would be advantageous; NR will investigate options. NR reported that the transducer cable had come away from the wall in the Beck but could not be fixed until the water levels have gone down. SE requested the Council to purchase a water pump and provided quotes and details on two different sized pumps; the PC agreed to purchase the large pump at circa £550 and Cllr. RJ agreed to fund the second smaller pump at circa £400.	NR NR/SE/RF SE RJ

	NJ requested that thanks to Mike Bobyn and Darryl North be minuted.	
T/187/19 Highways and Broadband	The new broadband cables were connected incorrectly and have to be re-done; no time scale has been given for the works at this point – this is ongoing. Village signs: SE sourced a quote for the new gateway sign which he will send to the Clerk so that she can apply for LIS funding. A drainage team are scheduled to do a site visit and investigate the cause of all the blocked drains – ongoing.	SE
T/188/19 Village Hall	DL gave a report back from the last meeting and was asked to circulate the minutes to all members of the PC. DL will send details of work commencement to the Clerk so that she can obtain a quote for additional all risk basis insurance and inform the Insurance company about the impending work. The Village Hall have a barn dance planned for 18 th April 2020. DL informed the PC that NSDC's Planning Department had advised the village hall committee that the addition of insulation and cladding to the exterior of the village hall might require planning permission. Given the alterations would make little to no real discernible difference to the external dimensions or appearance of the VH the PC questioned this requirement and the cost involved. Roger Jackson agreed to take up the matter with the Planning Department and/or Matt Lamb as appropriate and feed back to the PC.	RJ
T/172/19 Communications	Emergency Measures TT still working through contacts reported at last meeting including – Kate Cressey, Savills, Farmer Price and NCC / Via – all with regard to flood mitigation in the village. Communication Web site review and update is in progress Meeting with MD at Forterra was postponed, to be rescheduled Lighting at Forterra – meeting with Plant Manager 28th Feb	TT
T/173/19 Environment	Current works done this month Rose of Sharon on Beck Street cut down Footbath on Bleasby Road has been widened Any further works required, please let DB know. Village Spring Clean is organised for 14 March. This will be advertised in Thurgarton People. Drinks and Cakes afterwards to be provided by Red Lion. The plan is to have the new Village Map noticeboard delivered in time for us to install this as part of the Village Clean up. The WW1 Airfield plaque will also be mounted and the bench will be re-sited which will involve the removal of the 2 box round hedges as agreed last year. Electricity to the Christmas Tree: Discussions have taken place with Newark and Sherwood Housing and Western Power regarding options to supply electricity on Corner Croft and once an agreement is in place an application to the NSDC Greener Initiative for funding – closing date is 20 th March – will be submitted. It was suggested that the village could benefit from at least one	

	new dog bin; Clerk to get prices and confirm with NSDC about the emptying costs and options.	Clerk
T/175/19 Finance	<p>a. Payments for Authorisation: Six payments totalling £1000.77 were approved for payment.</p> <p>b. Balance of Accounts: NatWest Business Current Account balance as at 25th Feb 2020 is £7196.07 and the Reserve Account balance is £13227.37</p> <p>c. Budget/audit: DB circulated an up-dated spreadsheet that shows the running costs for each strategic role so that Cllrs. can keep a check on their individual budgets.</p> <p>d. The Clerk was asked to confirm who the current bank signatories are and to investigate adding more signatories to the account.</p>	
T/177/19	Agenda items for next meeting: The AGM and Clerk's expenses	Clerk/TT
T/178/19	<p>Next meetings: The Methodist Hall has been booked for the AGM which will take place on Thursday 7th May 2020, Next Full Council meeting: Thursday 26th March 2020 at 7.30pm Meeting was closed at 21h52</p>	

LJ Campbell
Clerk to Thurgarton Parish Council
28th February 2020