

Thurlestone Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 4th November 2013 at 7.30pm in Thurlestone Parish Hall Thurlestone

Present: Cllr Rhymes (Chairman)

Cllr P Hurrell

Cllr N Hurrell

Cllr Mitchelmore

Cllr Came

Cllr Munn

In Attendance: Phil Millard (Clerk), PCSO Dave Gibson, Dist Councillor Bramble, County Cllr- Rufus Gilbert, Cllr John Hart (Leader DCC), Karen Bridgeford (DCC Economic Development Officer), Michael Dunn (SW Regional Manager BT), Laurent Boon (BT), Mike Armitage (S.Hams Broadband) & 46 members of the public.

Declaration of Interest: Cllr Rhymes School (Sec3d)

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30pm and welcomed everyone. It was explained that we would have an **open forum** at the beginning of meeting for any matters that public wished to raise. This section is not minuted.

Open Forum

1. Apologies for absence and to consider whether to approve reasons given.

Cllr Goddard – family commitments

2. The minutes to confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 7th October 2013.

Resolved – that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 7th October 2013 were signed as a correct record.

3. Matters Arising:

a) Parish Hall

Nothing to Report.

b. Highways – Parking

Road by Church – Meeting has taken place with Derek Brown (Yarmer Estates) and they have suggested that we approach planning to obtain a section 106 order on future plans – to ensure we get paid money towards maintaining our road. To this end we will approach planning for a meeting to discuss how we can do this.

A road sweeper was seen on the Mead Estate clearing the gutters etc – it is a private estate So could not understand this – have asked SHDC to look into it.

c. Footpaths & Heritage Coast/Thurlestone Sands

Coastal Path by Golf Course is currently being looked at.

Hope Cove Path – problem with Water Pipe has now been sorted out – so should re-open soon.

Thurlesone sands Committee – has several ideas but will probably now wait until the spring to take these forward.

d. School – Cllr Rhymes

Nothing to Report.

e.Trees – Cllr Mitchelmore

Quiet at the moment.

f. Parish Plan –

Broadband – This was done at beginning of meeting.

Presentation was made by Connecting Devon and Somerset who were introduced by Count Cllr Rufus Gilbert and John Hart (Leader DCC) –

CDS – Solution for Thurlestone –

- Around 85% of premises will receive a fibre solution
- 65% will receive a superfast service – 24Mbps+
- Surveys to start next summer
- Area covered by 3 exchanges so work spread over time through to 2016

Went on to outline benefits of this solution.

Short Presentation was then made by South Hams Broadband – who through our sub Committee/ Chris White have been looking at our own solution which would mean we would opt out of the Connecting Devon and Somerset plan offered by the DCC. They are very confident that they can deliver the Best Broadband Solution and could do this by next year.

There then followed a question and answer session in open forum.

Following this it was decided that we would have a follow up meeting for the public

Resolved that follow up public meeting arranged specifically for broadband issue asap – once financial information provided by both solutions.

Mobile Phone Mast – Land is available through Rodney Stidston – but would need a feasibility study/survey.

A company was proposed to do this and it was suggested we re-approach them to take forward asap. This information was looked at by Cllr Goddard

Resolved can we E mail him and ask if we can contact again and get this organised asap.

g. Parish Clerk Report

Report covered

- Have purchased a more up to date lap top and transferred data across.
- Wrote to Clannacombe and Grove Cottages re hedges – who have responded and said they will sort out.
- Tap Funding – meeting arranged for Wednesday at S.Milton to discuss this years projects Cllr Munn will attend on our behalf.
- Fire proof cabinet – Parish Hall committee will look into and POTS may contribute – cost is £500 plus aprox. To be used for minute books and other important documents.
- Church donation – In view of the cost re repairs for road by Church it has been decided that we can not commit to this until we know how much the road is going to cost. So for the time being – we will write and advise it- is not possible at the moment but If we are able to get funds we will re- consider
- **Resolved – Clerk to write letter to Church.**
- Budget – update required as to where we are for this year.

4. Dist and County Councillor Report

Cllr Rufus Gilbert - gave us a brief report on road maintenance categories – will email a report to us which gives us details of how our roads are categorised and what this means As far as maintenance is concerned.

Confirmed that coastal path to Hope Cove should re- open soon.

Ian Bramble gave us a brief report on 2 issues

Transformation 18 – which is a radical programme to address the budget gap

Which next year is £3/4 m - hoping to do this through new technology and staff reductions (by 24%).

Ward Boundaries – will reduce wards and councillors – responses by 11th November.

5. Police Business

No crimes to report.

However there was an attempted break in to sheds at the Swallows – Dave Gibson will take details and look into.

6. Business by Direction of Chairman

- Rubbish in Shelter – is becoming a problem – however bin would not be way forward as last time we had one – it was set on fire! Suggested that Julian Lee is tasked with checking say twice a week and removing Rubbish when he sees it. **Resolved Clerk to contact Julian and ask for him to do this on a regular basis.**
- Toilets – Cllr Jill Munn – went to meeting with Stuart Jellings (SHDC) and had a very positive meeting - found out that we are 26th re usage – one by Thurlestone Sands is 35th and are cleaned every day. This could be changed to every other day. Report will be done shortly and we will be advised of closure list (4 months in winter). See if we are on it and can then seek a further meeting to discuss.
- TAPS funding – Cllr Jill Munn will attend meeting this Wednesday.
- Phone Box in West Buckland – nothing happening/being neglected – can we write to Duncan White and ask what is going on. **Resolved clerk to write to Duncan**
- Discretionary limit re sundry expenditure required particularly in August when no council meeting for CLERK to spend/authorise in case of need - **Resolved agreed clerk could spend up to £250 in case of need – but would probably limit to £100 – anything above this would seek Chairmans prior agreement.**

7.Planning to be discussed:

55/2395/13/F – Amendment to 55/o466/13/F – to include timber effect boards
At Fiferail, Eddystone road, Thurlestone by Mrs H Cleverly- **No objections**

55/2389/13/O – Application for demolition of Highfield and replacement with two dwellings
At Highfield, Eddystone Road, Thurlestone by St Martins Properties Ltd – **No Objections**

55/2406/13/F – Application for new veranda extension to existing farmhouse
And new detached garage in garden at Higher Cross Park, Cross Park, Thurlestone TQ7 3LP by Mr & Mrs I Axe – **No Objections**

55/2411/13/F – Application for extension to property and external alterations to Northern Grange
Bantham TQ7 3AB by Mr I Hodge- **No objections**

Planning Granted

55/1910/13/F – Application for raising roof by 1.4m over south wing of Upton Grange, Bantham by Mr D Pollard

55/2037/13/F – Application for erection of single storey timber framed replacement conservatory
at Tamarisk House, Ilbert Road, Thurlestone by Mr & Mrs Grose

55/2032/13/F – Application to increase height of roof to provide enough headroom /connection to existing garage at 19 Mead Drive,Thurlestone by Mr Glenie

55/2023/13/MIN – Non Material minor amendment to planning application 55/2317/12/F – to increase bedroom window on proposed extension and to change window and roof materials to bay window at Links Cottage,Ilbert Road,Thurlestone by Mr & Mrs Gardner.

8.Finance: Permission was asked to pay:

Total	£NIL
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9.Correspondence:

Register of Electors 2014
South Hams District council Dog Control Orders 2013
Letter from Grant Thornton re Audit 2013
E mail re pre planning application Gables End Bantham from SHDC
Letter to Mr S Gotch – Clanacombe re hedge
Letter to Mrs R Hatton – Grove Cottages re Hedge
Letter to Rodney Stidston re Mobile Phone Mast
Boundary Commission draft recommendations
Dog Fouling – General Advice - Dog Warden
Letter from Thurlestone Parish Hall – thank you for Raffle.
E mail from Adam Keay – 18.10.13 re Pot Holes West Buckland
Letter from Devon.gov re public Consultation re Mobile Libraries
E mail from Chris White to Rufus re Proposed Meeting with BT
E mail from Cllr Munn re Toilets closures
Letter from Mitchelmore Hughes – re sale Bantham Estate- Evans Estates

10.Circulars and to receive items for next agenda

South Hams Living magazine Autumn 2013
Healthwatch Devon –Magazine - Oct 2013
Travelling in Winter Leaflet 2013/2014
War MEMORIAL Trust brochure

Meeting closed at 9.45 pm

To confirm the date, time and place of the Parish Meeting as Monday 2nd December 2013 at 7.30pm at Thurlestone Parish Hall

5th November 2013

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Chairman

