# Thurlestone Parish Council

#### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7th November 2016 at 7.30pm in Thurlestone Parish Hall Thurlestone

Present: Cllr Rhymes (Chairman) Cllr Mitchelmore (Vice Chairman) Cllr Hurrell Cllr Zaffiro Cllr Marshall Cllr Munn Cllr Goddard

In Attendance: Phil Millard (Clerk), Cllr Pearce (District Councillor), County Cllr Rufus Gilbert, Plus 8 members of the public.

# Declaration of Interest: Cllr Rhymes – trees at Sunny Bank.

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.

None

2.**The minutes** to confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016.

# Resolved – that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 3rd October 2016 were signed as a correct record.

- 3. Matters Arising:
- a) Parish Hall Cllr Zaffiro

Nothing to Report.

#### b. Highways –

The hedges along the roads were raised as some have not been cut and others only cut half way up? If they are not done – then we can write to the LAND owners concerned and ask them to cut them back – if it is not then done – report to highways who then write and advise they will cut it back – cost is expensive – and is then charged to the land owner. See if anything done in next few weeks – if not we will write.

There are 2 pot holes down kerse lane – quite large and another on road from West Buckland to Bantham.

# **Resolved Parish Clerk to report.**

#### c. Footpaths

Footpaths – track to Mallards – is to be closed for 3 days re water pipe work for property in Merchand Gardens – have got advice from Highways – and contractors must allow pedestrian access. Professer King at Mallards is liasing with the contractors.

#### d.Trees – CIIr Mitchelmore

Tree Warden has been liasing with Sunny Bank re problem trees and has no objection to the work needed to stop any future problems. Seadrift – work there has been completed.

#### d. Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Goddard

Two recent public meetings have taken place to discuss what goes into the draft plan this as following requests for focus groups to have more imput into the plan.

The 2 public meetings covered commercial development and also Housing. It was felt they were very successful and Sue Crawford was thanked for all her hard work and she and the committee ill now get on with taking forward the draft plan.

# e. Parish Clerk Report

The 3 Months Deposit monies will be re- invested for 3 months on 21<sup>st</sup> November so need to know of any large items of expenditure over next 3 months. Neighbourhood plan – have allowed £500 further expenses for this and £350 towards the crown reduction of the large pine trees. **Resolved ok to reinvest for 3 month term** 

The hedge in West Buckland and the cleaning of the sign were raised with Highways but have not had a further email from Adam Keay – **Resolved will chase these items up.** 

Remembrance Sunday is this Sunday – and checked Cllr Rhymes will be our representative to lay the wreath on behalf of the council. Will check that wreath has been ordered and obtain invoice for payment at next meeting.

Daily Mail has an offer on at moment that they will provide a vintage map of your area from ordnance survey with an up to date one as well – asked for permission to obtain these – cost is  $\pm 7.50$ . Very important to have re Thurlestone Sands/South Milton Sands debacle – could send a copy to S. Milton Parish Council perhaps?

#### **Resolved – Clerk to order maps**

#### 4. Dist and County Councillor Report County Councillor Rufus Gilbert gave short report

New contractors have taken over from SW Highways – Skanska.

Devon has 8000 miles of roads (one of highest in the country) 3500 bridges, 3000 public rights of way, 2000 retaining walls etc Budget – Highways need £62m to stand still but budget will be £46m – big shortfall Roads will inevitably get run down in the future because of this.

# **District Councillor Judy Pearce gave short report**

Joint plan – has been put back – unlikely to be adopted until early 2018.

Site meeting at 16 Meadcombe – was aware that some councillors were not happy with way it was conducted – so went on to explain the protocol of these meetings. Questions can be asked but via Dist Cllr.

The important thing was the number of Parish Councillors and public that turned up. Thanked the 4 councillors who went and also Cllr Goddard who spoke at subsequent committee meeting together with Roger Kendrick on behalf of residents.

# 5. Police Business

No Report

# 6. Business by Direction of Chairman

# Golf Barrier – Resolved - report as a breach of planning – road has not yet been extinguished so planning should have been applied for

this would have allowed the Parish Council to object to the type of barrier being proposed
which is now in place.

The letter we sent to them and the subsequent reply – they seemed to have completely overlooked our main concern which was the visual impact in a AONB.

**BT Phone box –** post office lane – discussed and in view of the poor mobile signal. It is essential that this one is retained for emergency purposes. **Resolved – email Nadine Trout SHDC – to register our no removal wishes.** 

Heritage Assets – as part of the Neighbourhood Plan – the maintenance of our assets such as the Pump House, the bus Shelter, the memorial etc need to be considered and planned for. Cllr Marshall has suggested we form a sub committee to look into this. To this end we shall discuss at December meeting. Resolved Clerk to put on next agenda.

#### **Tap Funding** – Funds are needed for the Parish Hall re CCTV and Monitoring equipment No other things were needed – so will liase with Chris White and apply for these items – via tap funding application.

# Resolved Clerk to liase with Chris White re application.

# 7.Planning to be discussed:

**2057/16/FUL** – Readvertisement (Revised Plans) erection of a new dwelling with associated landscaping works at Land at Fursey Close, Thurlestone - New Assessment report TQ7 3NP by Mr & Mrs Gornall - **No Objections** 

**3203/16/OPA** – Outline application for demolition of Highfield and replacement with 2 dwellings At Highfield, Eddystone Road, Thurlestone TQ7 3NU by St Martins Properties Ltd- **No Objections 3302/16/VAR** – Removal of condition 2 of planning consent 55/0174/00/F –

To allow units to be used as residential dwellings. Sloop cottages, Bantham TQ7 3AJ- **Object to small for residential use.** 

# 8.Finance: Permission was asked to pay:

P Millard (Clerk Salary – November)		£ 365.24
All Saints Church – Church Yard Maintenance		£ 300.00
Devon County Council – Playing Field Rent		£ 20.00
	Total	£ 685.24

# 9.Correspondence:

Outstanding Enforcement cases 3.10.16 Letter to DR Company dated 4.10.16 Email from Steve Mason SHDC re toilets closure during winter Email from SHDC re Taps guidance for 2016/17 5.10.16 Devon Highways Parish & Town Council conference on 16.11.16 Letter from SHDC re Oak Wood House, Buckland Park re unauthorised permanent residential use - now ceased 11.10.16 Email from SHDC re BT Phone Box Removal – important update 11.10.16 Email from SHDC planning re 16 Meadcombe - site inspection on 17.10.16 Email from SHDC re Council tax support grant for next 3 years 12.10.16 Letter from SHDC tree dept re Sunny Bank, Ilbert Road 19.10.16 Email from NHS Devon re consultation on Community Service 19.10.16 Email re Sqn Ldr Kay - 18.07.16 Letter from Thurlestone Golf Club re Barrier 17.10.16 Email from Ruth Hatton - Grove Cottages re Dangerous Trees Email from Highways re Highway by Golf Club – reply by 11<sup>th</sup> November Email re composting and recycling Centres consultation 4.11.16

# 10. Circulars and to receive items for next agenda

Citizens Advice South Hams Annual Reprt Accounts 2015/16 Kingsbridge Gazette article re pub noise 14.10.16 The Mission to Seafarers NEWS – Oct 2016 Healthwatch Voices magazine – Autumn 2016 Clerks & Councils Direct Magazine Nov 2016 South Hams Society - update Meeting closed at 8.40pm

To confirm the date, time and place of the Parish Council Meeting as Monday 5th December

8th November 2016

Chairman .....