

Thurlestone Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 1st February 2015 at 7.30pm in Thurlestone Parish Hall Thurlestone

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

In Attendance: Phil Millard (Clerk), Cllr Pearce (District Councillor), Plus 18 members of the public.

Declaration of Interest: None

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.

County Councillor Rufus Gilbert and Dist Cllr Wright

2. The minutes to confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 4th January 2016.

Resolved – that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 4th January 2016 were signed as a correct record.

3. Matters Arising:

a) Parish Hall – Cllr Zaffiro

Following recent meeting – it had been agreed that a concrete hard standing area would be made close to the entrance for Disabled Parking.
A memorial bench had also been agreed for a former caretaker of the Hall.

b. Highways –

There are still a number of potholes – causing problems – Glebefield, West Buckland by the sign towards Bantham. There is a further one in West Buckland by May Cottages.

Resolved Clerk to report via website - DCC Highways.

c. Footpaths & Heritage Coast

A half hour presentation was made by Ros Davies – P3 Liason officer DCC at beginning of meeting regarding Public Rights of Way and the Parish Paths Partnership – copies of the presentation were left for us – which covered

Role of P3 Co –coordinator, grants, Parishes are able to organise improvements etc
Within Thurlestone we have 18 footpaths – over 10 miles which includes coastal path
Which is about 2 miles – this does not count for grant purposes – so 8 miles x £30
Per mile grant = £260 pa.

If we joined – we would need a P3 Co–ordinator – there has to be an annual survey – projects are then considered by the Parish and DCC.

Application was left with us to consider.

d.Trees – Cllr Mitchelmore

Two trees have been removed at Merchants Gardens – there is a lot of left over wood which Can be collected.

d. Neighbourhood Plan/Mobile Phone mast/Website – Cllrs Goddard & Marshall

There was a full report about how this was progressing in the Village Voice – the next Step is the Community Questionnaire – will need to use a professional market research agency – at a cost of £3-5k plus vat – a down payment of 50% needs to be Made in March – so they are asking for the Parish council to fund £3,000 to tide them over until they get the government grant which could be in May. This was discussed by the council and voted on –

Resolved Parish council agreed to provide funds up to £3,000 to help with the cost of the Community Questionnaire. Will use funds in deposit account on the basis that they will endeavour to repay us – however this is not allowed under the current rules of the grant scheme provided by the government.

f. Parish Clerk Report

- Have just received a request from the Village Voice advising that their industrial printer has finally stopped working – and needs to be replaced – urgently. Total cost will be £2000 and they are asking for £1000 towards this. Discussed and it was agreed that the Village Voice is one of the villages best assets and should be supported.
- **Resolved agreed to pay £1,000 towards cost of replacement printer.**
- Neighbourhood watch – The Mead would like someone to liaise with the Police and will look into this.
- Appraisal with Chairman and Cllr Marshall – three years since last one –happy with performance and agreed after discussion to increase in pay to SCP 26 almost on the top scale (27) with effect from 1st April 2016. **Clerk to advise Payroll provider.**
- Drains – no progress despite being reported – have chased but will not give any idea when they will be done!!

- Blue Bags problem down main street – wrote to Toad Hall (have had a response - looking into it) – no response from Coast & Country!
- Web site – there is a transparency code – which means that you should have certain financial information on it – have now done this.
- Just received a traffic restriction – West Buckland to East Buckland for 9th February – are they doing the bank at last!
- There is a SHDC planning meeting re the Air side heat pump at Whimbrels Edge on the Mead next Monday 8th February at 10.00 am – need the parish council to be represented – Cllrs Goddard and Munn will attend.

4. Dist and County Councillor Report

District Councillor Pearce

Gave a report which covered

- Section 106 monies – more development – what would we need that this would pay for ?
- AONB – Draft Estuary Report
- Remuneration Panel – Cllrs can claim expenses but can also get paid Up to 2.5% of District Councillors basic allowance
- TAP funding now agreed and PARISH Councils advised.
- Executive meeting – budget discussed.
- Devolution Proposals
- Leasefoot Beach – SHDC will not be doing any further repairs to the road that was washed away.
- Blue bags problem – seagull proof bags are available from SHDC for £1 each.

5. Police Business

No report – not present.

But beware of unmarked assumed/pretend police cars – it is a scam and they steal the car!

6. Business by Direction of Chairman

Cobbled Road – 90% usage by Yarmer – had discussions with the estate and looks like they would be prepared to pay towards repairs – say about a third of cost. Will be discussed at their next meeting.

Ownership of cobbled road – no one registered – do we try and adopt it – if you own the verge on both sides – then theoretically we own it. Cllr Marshall to take forward and see if we could get some further advice regarding this.

Parish Clerk appraisal completed and thanked him for his efforts and confirmed increase in pay from SCP23 – SCP 26 – to reflect no rise in 3 years.
Cllr Marshall will help monitor the Budget with the Clerk.

We had discussed a fireproof cabinet sometime ago –but not progressed anywhere will look at again – **Clerk to evaluate what documents need storing and what is needed to store them.**

Quote obtained for fir tree reduction and removal of two cherry trees on the memorial green - £485 – need 6 weeks to get approval from SHDC. In addition slabs on path need replacing

Agreed tree work should go ahead asap and costs looked at for slab replacement work once roots of cherry trees taken out.

Resolved Clerk to get company to do this ASAP.

7.Planning to be discussed:

2896/15/HHO – Readvertisement (Revised Description) Householder application for replacement of existing garage with new two storey side extension to existing detached dwelling at Seafarings, Eddystone Road, Thurlestone TQ7 3NU by Mr M Newman – **No Objections**

154338 2868/15/FUL – Change of use of Holiday Lodge to permanent dwelling (Removal of condition 3 of planning consent 55/1317/11/F) at Oak Wood House, Buckland Park, Bantham TQ73AB by Mr & Mrs Chris Miller. **Object – Holiday use property– see no reason for change to permanent.**

154381 2911/15/ARM – Application for approval of reserved matters for proposed siting, Design and external appearance of 8no. new dwellings and access road at 1-8 Trenemans, Phase 3 Development, Mead Drive, Thurlestone TQ7 3EP by Ironoak Developments Ltd. **No objections.**

2708/15/HHO – Application for roof terrace on top of single flat roofed extension to detached Dwelling Abbotscot, West Buckland TQ7 3AQ by Mr & Mrs Daniel. **No Objections**

3078/15/VAR – Application for removal of condition 2 (Balcony design) of 55/1657/15/F re Furlong Gate, Eddystone Road, Thurlestone TQ7 3NU by Mr B Tindale. **Strongly Object – Re Privacy issues for neighbour.**

8.Finance: Permission was asked to pay:

Newman Accounting – Clerks mthly Pay (Dec)	£330.39
Mr P Martin – wood tool for benches	£135.18
Julian Lee (Grass cutting)	£225.00
Sue Crowther (Neighbourhood Plan)	£153.24
Village Voice	£1000.00
Total	£1,843.81

9.Correspondence:

Email – DCC Parish Paths Partnership Scheme – 5.1.16
Letter from Dr Sarah Wollaston MP re BT 29.12.15
Email from Pensions Regulator re Duties of employer 7.1.16
Email from Cllr Gilbert re Bantham Barriers 6.1.16
Letter to Toad Hall Cottages re refuse collection 8.1.16
Letter to Coast & Country cottages re refuse collection dated 8.1.16
Email from SHDC planning re 8 Whimbrels Edge source heat pump 11.1.16
Email re Planning Enforcement list from SHDC 13.1.16
List of TAP funding projects for this year 2016 for information.
Letter from Toad Hall cottages re refuse collection 11.1.16
Document from E mail from Nick Cotter re Bantham 15.1.16
Letter to SHDC re precept 2106/17 – 18.1.16
Internal Audit email from Ken Abraham 18.1.16
Electoral review of Devon – Final recommendations 26.1.16

10.Circulars and to receive items for next agenda

The Clerk Magazine January 2016
Clerks & Councils Direct – January 2016
The Parish of Yealmpton – walks guide
Brixton Footpaths - Walks

Meeting closed at 8.55 pm

**To confirm the date, time and place of the Parish Council Meeting as Monday 7th
March 2016 at 7.30pm at Thurlestone Parish Hall**

5th February 2016

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Chairman