

Thurlestone Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6th February 2012 at 7.30pm in Thurlestone Parish Hall Thurlestone

Present: Cllr Rhymes (Chairman),

Cllr Peter Hurrell

Cllr Nigel Hurrell

Cllr Mitchelmore

Cllr Munn

Cllr Goddard

Cllr Came

In Attendance: Phil Millard (Clerk) and Ian Bramble and 23 members of public.

Declaration of Interest: Cllr Rhymes on Schools – (Sec 3d schools) and Cllr Munn – Sec 7 Planning – 11 Edwards Close.

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 meetings held on Monday 9th January 2012. LGA1972, Sch 12 para 41(1).

Resolved – that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 9th January 2012 were signed as a correct record.

3. Matters Arising:

a) Parish Hall – Report by Cllr Hurrell

Not a lot to report – maintenance meeting recently held and discussed purchase of clock for Diamond Jubilee.

Have ordered new bollards to put outside in road.

b) Highways

Had meeting with Adam Keay (Highways) on Friday 20th January and drove around the area pointing out the various pot holes, blocked drains etc.

West Buckland

- Grove Corner – Pot hole hidden by surface water – stream across road should go under
- But the pipe is blocked – needs digging out and pot hole repaired.
- Bridge over stream – gulley to river is blocked up and pipe on bridge is also blocked will need
- Clearing.
- Pais Arrish – wall is falling down and could block road – needs attention.
- Road from West Buckland to Bantham also needs some attention.
- Bantham – road out to the A379 – pull ins need clearing.
- **From A379 Road into Thurlestone from Churchstow** - Various Pot Holes – half way to Whitley Cross
- Have been filled in – but badly – most of the tarmac used has been pushed out to side of road
- so was not effective and will need to be done again!!!
- Burnt House – West Buckland – there is a large pot hole just outside covered by water and a lot of mud.
- Chapel Cross - Langmans Cross – drain blocked so water is running past it down the steep hill there
- Causing problems further down.
- Brook Hill bridge over stream by South West Water depot – Drain blocked by a lot of mud/debris so water is not draining into the stream – needs some major clearing.
- **Finally in Thurlestone**
- Court Park Road – to the Mead – is a public footpath – but is now dangerous in view of the poor condition of the road. It is a private road but a footpath needs to be restored!

Pot holes must be 4" deep before they are repaired and it all comes down to money – some of the above list will only get done if funds available.

There is a big pot hole by entrance to tennis courts needs to be reported – **Resolved to Report.**

Suggested letter to Sir Simon Day to come to our Annual Meeting and we can then raise these issues with him. **Resolved to write to Sir Simon Day.**

C. Footpaths & Heritage Coast/Thurlestone Sands

Concerned re state of cobbled road by the Church/memorial – will only get worse over next few months as a result of the very large building lorries going over it onto Yarmer estate. Will Yarmer pay towards the cost of repairing this road?
Cllr Mitchelmore to approach Derek Brown (Yarmer Estates) to discuss.

Cllr Goddard has drafted a response to Ordnance Survey reply to our letter re Thurlestone Sands and was discussed – **Resolved to send reply.**

D. School – Cllr Rhymes

No report.

e.Trees - Cllr Mitchelmore

Not a lot to report – there are a couple of issues that need to be resolved. Branches affecting a Thatched roof, need to be cut back opposite Toyes Orchard by raised footpath- Cllr Mitchelmore will talk to owners and see if can be resolved.

Pays Arrish there are some dead trees overhanging the road – again will need to talk to land owner.

F.Parish Plan – Cllr Came

Broadband – We currently have .8 mb speeds in the Village compared to 7/10 mb which is what we should have. Plans are to get 90% of country up to 24mb over next few years. 10% hard to reach (this includes us). If not careful we will be left behind.

Recently had 3 meetings and managed to get an application in before deadline of 31st January for funding. Hope this is successful.

Alternatively we are looking at possibility of a spur off the Schools fibre optic broadband if possible? Best Solution not yet found could be combined with mobile signal.

Mobile Phone mast – Have found company – The Phonemast Company will arrange a £350 survey – if ok they arrange for mast – and get 50% of first years rent. However mobile coverage could be combined with the broadband solution and need to investigate.

g. Parish Clerk Report

E mail from Parishoner regarding sheep on the road into Thurlestone – this is happening regularly and is stopping traffic. Problem is lack of fencing between fields. Asked if council could approach Farmer about this.

Resolved to write letter to Farmer.

Snow Warden training arranged and completed – grit has been delivered – result. Did tour of Village with Cllrs Hurrell and Mitchelmore together with Adam Keay (Highways) Regarding road problems (See separate report).

Planning System Explained – course Wednesday 29th May at The Watermark in Ivybridge It is FREE – but must go or charged £10. Cllr Munn and Clerk will go plus anyone else interested.

Phone box by Village Shop is now officially ours and we can get on and paint it etc. Advised by BT that there is no electric supply to the box.

4.District Councillor's Report

Report given by our district councillor – This included :

As end of financial year approaches covered all the budget savings SHDC have achieved by rationalising services with Devon County.

More recently have done reviews of Senior and Middle Management resulting in further savings. Need to decide on Council tax – will be voted on soon.

Could freeze but will probably go for 2.5% to keep in line with inflation.

Answered questions regarding planning issues.

Resolved to have meeting with Cllr Goddard and Clerk to discuss how as a council we can liaise/ work with Planning going forward. We should also write to Head of Planning if we feel as a council that we are not being listened to.

5. Police Business

No Report – not present.

6. Business by Direction of Chairman

Diamond Jubilee – note in Village Voice resulted in 2 people coming forward to volunteer help – have 8 people now. Registered to have beacon.

Our main celebration will be on the Sunday – Ram Roast, Street party etc

Request for donation from council towards cost of clock at Parish Hall.

Resolved to pay £150+ but will wait until all fund raising has been completed and may then give more.

Snow Warden – training completed and has 5 ton of grit by his house! Will spread this around the Parish – Evans estates will have some for Bantham. School may have some. This is for use on Public Highways only.

Need to check our insurance covers this.

Kerb Stones – for use by Village sign – not got enough yet – but need to get a quote regarding laying them.

Resolved to approach Highways about this – to get idea of cost.

7. Planning to be discussed:

55/0092/12/F – resubmission of planning application 55/1592/11/F – for first floor extension over garden room and single storey extension to rear of

11 Edwards Close, Thurlestone TQ7 3BP by Mr & Mrs Poole

55/0119/12/F – Application for extension and alterations to Higher Cross Park, Cross Park

Thurlestone TQ7 3LP by Mr I Axe.

55/0154/12/F – Application for extensions and alterations to greenkeepers accommodation at

Thurlestone Golf Club, Thurlestone TQ7 3NZ by Thurelstone Golf Club.

55/0184/12/F – Application for new boathouse, natural swimming pool, car port and porch extension to Quayle, Bantham TQ7 3AP by Mrs G Stone.

Notification of Appeal for Gulls Cry, Warren Road, Thurlestone re refusal for Dormer Window on East Elevation.

Planning Granted

55/2690/11/F – Conditional approval re extension to 20 Meadcombe Road, Thurlestone TQ7 3TB.
55/3101/11/F – Conditional approval re Rowan House, 2 storey extension and new shed.
55/3082/11/F – Conditional approval re The Thatches, alterations to provide integral garage.
55/2990/11/F – Conditional approval re rear of Homelea, variation to allow non timber patio doors.
55/2729/11/CLP – Lawful Development Certificate for completion of dwelling at Eaton Court Farm, Thurlestone

8. Finance: Permission was asked to pay:

Total

Nil

9. Correspondence:

Email to planning re Dormers Shed 55/2459/11/F
Letter to SHDC re precept 2012/2013
Letter from Lloyds TSB re PC - Deposit Monies
SHDC Letter re unauthorised building works re 7 Whimbrels Edge, Thurlestone
Email – 20.1.12 from SH Highways re Post Office Lane/Court Park Road and snow map
Email – 23.1.12 Golf Course Meeting re planning for sheds to accommodate equipment
Minutes of meeting 20.1.12 with Highways re state of roads around Parish
E mail from BT re notice to complete on phone Kiosk opposite church dated 24.1.12
Planning breach notification re Burnt House
E mail 31.1.12 Planning system explained course.

11. Circulars and to receive items for next agenda

Devon Community Directory – Advert
Press Cutting dated 13.1.12 re January PC Meeting
T & P News Jan 2012
South Hams Society January 2012 Bulletin
Free HMRC Employer and Business Advice

Meeting closed at 8.45 pm

To confirm the date, time and place of the next Parish Council Meeting as Monday 5th March 2012 at 7.30pm at Thurlestone Parish Hall

7th February 2012

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Chairman

