

# Thurlestone Parish Council

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## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6th February 2017 at 7.30pm in Thurlestone Parish Hall Thurlestone

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

In Attendance: Phil Millard (Clerk), Cllr Pearce (District Councillor), PCSO Dave Gibson  
Plus 12 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.**

Cllr Munn (On Holiday) and Cllrs Simon Wright and Rufus Gilbert – unavailable.

**2. The minutes** to confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 9th January 2017.

**Resolved – that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 9th January 2017 were signed as a correct record.**

#### **3. Matters Arising:**

##### **a) Parish Hall – Cllr Zaffiro**

Piano recital on 18<sup>th</sup> February at the Parish Hall – tickets are £10.  
Parish Hall Committee Meeting is next week.

##### **b. Highways –**

Whitley Cross – towards Churchstow is very bad – large craters – can we chase Adam Keay regarding these.

### **c. Footpaths**

Nothing to report.

### **d. Trees – Cllr Mitchelmore**

War memorial trees have had their crowns reduced now – and cherry tree removed plus roots. Have done a good job – will need some grass seed in due course – will ask Julian Lee to do this in a month or so.

### **d. Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Goddard**

Plan is progressing well – they had a meeting in January and the minutes are on the Web site – Nicholas Johnston attended this meeting to outline Bantham Estates possible plans going forward – these can also be viewed on the website – these were viewed with some concern by the committee – but as agreed no discussion or comments would be made as these are just proposals and no applications have been made yet.

It is the committee's intention to push on with the Plan and hope this can be finalised before the end of the year.

### **e. Parish Clerk Report**

- Toby Russell (Devon Air Ambulance) – wants to come to our next meeting in March to give a short presentation re night landings – very happy to accommodate.
- No response to our letter to the Chief Planning Officer re 20 Meadcombe – but it is on the -list as a breach as is the Golf Barrier – can we email them – as they may not be aware as they have a new manager (Keith Crawford).
- The deposit monies will mature on 21<sup>st</sup> February – will need between £1-£2k from this to pay for bench and tree work on memorial. This will mean we no longer qualify for the money market deposit account (minimum £10k). Money will go on current account for time being.
- Internal Audit – Have received a few names – have a possible 3 to look at – will make further enquires etc and let council know who is best option at next meeting.
- Finally my quartet Razor Sharp – who sing at our Phone Box carol service every year won the Carter Cup (Barbershop Quartet) at the Saltash Music Festival – this was their first competition!

## **4. Dist and County Councillor Report**

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

Budget is coming up next week – should be decided then – so will let us know what outcome is.

Joint local Plan is coming to the boil – will be published 21/22 February and then SHDC will discuss on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March – this is all very relevant to our Neighbourhood plan.

Also as we are aware the proposed Local Authority control company for dealing with services was decided against by SHDC.

## 5. Police Business

Only Crime which was around Xmas was an abusive phone call.

There has been a suspicious man wandering around Thurlestone Sands Dune area in January and then in South Huish. This involves lewd behaviour and he is watching female dog walkers. He is in Mid 30,s wears a black hoody, three quarter length shorts and blue trainers – he is olive skinned with black frizzy hair. Phone 101 or 999 if is seen and behaviour is serious.

## 6. Business by Direction of Chairman

Donations for Peter Harrell's Bench are starting to come in – received a couple already. Can we give some thought to the wording for the plaque to go on the bench?

POTS have agreed and will take on responsibility for the upkeep of the parishes assets – the Hotel will look after the bus shelter opposite the shop.

Mobile coverage or lack of it was raised in a letter to the council from Alan Taylor-Bigg Which highlighted the problems the emergency services and others have when attending seriously ill patients in the Parish.

Within the Neighbourhood Plan – 83% were dissatisfied with the mobile signal coverage in the Villages. David Houghton, Alan Taylor Bigg, Chris White and Cllr Marshall are happy to become a sub-committee and look at all the options available to us.

**Resolved – Agreed to the creation of a sub-committee which will look into this and then report back to us with possible solutions.**

Raised path from Swallows down to Heathfield ( past memorial) – is worn out again – needs some attention and top dressing – Cllr Rhymes will sort it out- should not cost a lot.

Have received an email from M Hamilton Builders re Plot 13 at end of Eddystone Road – regarding a sign to direct the lorries – to the site.

**Resolved ok for this providing it is not on the memorial green – hopefully it can go on the church side – it will be there for 12 months – Cllr Mitchelmore will liase with builders.**

## 7.Planning to be discussed:

**0047/17/HHO** – Application for a new garage and store at Langmans Quarry, West Buckland by Mr T Slade – **Strongly Object** – Cannot reconcile what has been built with plans submitted, No plans for the excessive engineering works, Overbearing and not in keeping with its surroundings in an AONB.

**8.Finance: Permission was asked to pay:**

<b>P Millard (Clerk Salary – January)</b>	<b>£365.24</b>
<b>DCC - Rent for school playing field</b>	<b>£ 20.00</b>
<b>RS Plant Hire Ltd</b>	<b>£199.20</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£584.44</b>

**Cheque for £50 and cash of £20 received towards Peter Harrell's Memorial bench.**

**9.Correspondence:**

Email – from Cllr Pearce re Langmans Quarry entrance 9.1.17  
Letter to SHDC re precept for 2017/18 10.1.17  
Email from Mr Rigby re yellow lines at the Old Rectory 10.1.17  
Email –SHDC press release re £1.8m for communities 11.1.17  
Email re Automatic enrolment declaration from Pensions Regulator re PC 12.1.17  
Letter from Pensions regulator re Ack of Dec of Compliance 13.1.17  
Email from PC S.Milton re internal Auditor 16.1.17  
Letter to Chief Planning Office re 20 Meadcombe Road 16.1.17  
Email from SHDC re cllrs not to recommend setting up a company for services 17.1.17  
Email from Mark Hamilton Builders re erecting sign at entrance to Eddystone Road  
Email from SHDC re TAP Fund Grant 2016/17 – agreement forms etc 2.2.17

**10.Circulars and to receive items for next agenda**

**Gasdon – Products for Local Councils**

**Meeting closed at 8.15pm**

**To confirm the date, time and place of the Parish Council Meeting as Monday 6th March 2017**

**7th February 2017**

**Chairman .....**