

# Thurlestone Parish Council

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## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7th February 2011 at 7.30pm in Thurlestone Parish Hall Thurlestone

Present: Cllr Rhymes (Chairman), Cllrs Marshall (Vice Chairman) Hurrell, Mitchelmore, Came and Stidston

Apologies:

In Attendance: Phil Millard (Clerk), Dist Cllr Rankin and 9 members of public.

Declaration of Interest: Cllr Rhymes on Schools – (Sec 3d schools) and Planning for Southerly, Thurlestone - Cllr Marshall re planning for Southerly, Thurlestone and Dormers. Peter Hurrell re planning for Springhill, West Buckland.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30pm and welcomed everyone.

### 1. Open Forum

Question raised re 2 Mead Lane – plans resubmitted and will be looked at under planning section of meeting.

Large Pot Hole reported by Lambs Close – is dangerous – **Clerk to report to Mike Watts.**  
Best Village sign – considered not to be sited very well – discussion took place and will look at alternatives.

Cllr Mitchelmore thanked for his good work in policing the parish hall car park at school times.

Thurlestone Sands – raised as we now have a copy of the Land Registry for the area and there is a question as it appears to be unregistered land. Also have a copy of reply from Prince Charles to Mrs Zaffiro which leaves it with the Parish Councils to sort out.

Need to arrange a further meeting with all three councils and perhaps a mediator.

Thurlestone Sands should be put on as a permanent agenda item – **Clerk to Action**

School – has dropped footpath been persued – have chased John Halliday – no reply – need to chase again. **Clerk to action.**

2. **The minutes** of the Parish Council meetings held on Monday 10th January 2011 were agreed as a true record with no alternations and signed by the Chairman.

### 3. Matters Arising:

#### a) **Parish Hall – Report by Cllr Hurrell**

Request was made for Cllrs to attend the AGM on 29<sup>TH</sup> March as this is important meeting and we should have representation.

Railings – magnetic catches will be fitted.

Heating is ok now – boiler will be serviced in February. Shelf fitted in boiler room. Benches used for PT by school have gone into the loft. Projector has been repaired for quite a reasonable sum.

#### **b) Highways – Cllr Marshall**

The 62 posts removal – following our meeting with John Halliday cost to remove is exorbitant.

Quoted £5/£6k. This is not something we can fund. Suggested we write to Simon Day and ask for help.

Salt Bins – not sure if these have been replenished – if not need to chase – do not want to be caught out again if we get bad weather. **Clerk to E mail Mike Watts.**

#### **c) Footpaths & Heritage Coast**

Footpath sign – by Yarmer beach still not replaced – need to chase again. **Clerk to Action.**

Road by church is almost impassable – road is a private one owned by Evans Estates but leads to the Church Hall car park. Suggested we ask Graham Worrall at the Church to approach Evans Estates regarding the condition of the road. **Clerk to action.**

Court Park Lane – letter received from Grant Thornton advising they have obtained a Quote for the resurfacing work they are now looking to get an alternative quote.

#### **d) School – Cllr Rhymes**

Entering Phase 6 – Demolition of old Pearson Building – still on target to complete by Half Term. Then will start on the Car Park and Grounds. Had a problem with the lights recently. Car parking has better recently and there will be 7 car spaces for staff on new car park plus 3 disabled. This will probably not be enough but will wait and see.

#### **e) Trees – Cllr Mitchelmore**

Very quiet at present – nothing to report.

#### **f) Parish Plan – Cllr Marshall**

Need individuals to take forward the things identified in the plan – may ask for Volunteers through Village Voice.

#### **g) Forward Development Plan – Cllr Came**

Planning consultation period now completed and report published on the Website. This states that planning for RA 28 – ie Thurlestone area was deleted as undeliverable. This means there will be no further development for properties in Thurlestone. Cllr Came was thanked for all his hard work.

Has also looked at Parish Council Insurance policy – has special terms which are only available to PC,s . Should keep as unlikely to get better terms.

#### **4. District Councillor's Report**

Old telephone exchange - development is going forward – DC executive lead has been talking to Steve Prime (the developers). Planning application should go in this month.

Dist Cllr Rankin will not be standing again in April – and has enjoyed her 8 years – but time to move on.

Good news re FDP in Churchstow – this was also deemed unsustainable.

Budget proposals – not raising council tax this year. No redundancies yet but probably inevitable. Pursuing other avenue re cuts.

Bus services could be under threat but Sir Simon Day has sworn to keep ours and some others.

Question was asked if we got back funds invested with the Icelandic Banks – not sure will check.

Chairman thanked Dist Cllr Rankin and wished her every success in her future career.

#### **5. Police Business**

Not present – no report.

Point raised regarding new crime statistic map- this shows there were 2 violent crimes on Glebefield – this is obviously wrong – probably by wrong postcode being applied.

Needs to be corrected – as this could affect houses being sold etc.

#### **6. Any other Business by Direction of Chairman**

Annual Parish Council Meeting will have to be moved from 9<sup>th</sup> May to 16<sup>th</sup> as has to be 4 clear working days (Excludes Sunday) between election (on 5<sup>th</sup>) and meeting. **Clerk to send new list around.**

Thurlestone sands – Cllr Marshall has spoken to someone re mediation regarding the dispute over the name. Need someone neutral – Chairman of District Council? Decision must be binding on all parties.

Suggested we approach Devon Association of Parish Councils – Legal Department – see if will come to one of our meetings.

Royal Wedding – need ideas – last time we purchased mugs for children under age of 16.

Suggested we do the same this time. Need to ascertain exact numbers.

Parish Hall will hold indoor street party on the day – has been suggested they make a small charge for entrance – this could be used to pay for a small Christmas tree for Village to be planted on Village Green by church but after discussion suggested we could have a Permanent display/garden of welcome at entrance to village by sign – will need to check who owns that spur of ground first. Cllr Stidston to look into.

Cllr Mitchelmore advised that Mrs Kate Hubbard had asked if she could plant a tree in memory of the late Len Hubbard on the Village green. It was suggested that we could ask if she would like to donate a Christmas tree and if she agreed then a site meeting at the green could be convened to identify best place for it, taking into account some near source of power for the lights etc.

Website – need to look into – good idea – depending on cost and work involved. Will need to look into – approach Devon Association for Councils to see what is involved.

Also briefly looked at Public Forest Estate – which whilst does not affect us was interesting. Sustainable communities act – briefly looked at.

Hope cove rescue boat – have said we will help them financially – will wait for letter from them.

Path by War memorial – 3 slabs broken need to be replaced – probably due to roots growing underneath may need to take tree down – will meet and discuss soon re plan of action.

Councillors also asked to come up with suggestions for speakers for the annual Parish Meeting in April.

## 7. Planning

### 7.Planning to be discussed:

Application 55/0023/11/F – Alterations and garage extension to Springhill, West Buckland TQ7 3AH by Mr & Mrs D Norris.- **NO OBJECTIONS**

Application 55/0085/11/F – resubmission of application 55/2388/10/F – extension to dwelling 2 Mead Lane, Thurlestone TQ7 3PB by Mr P A Dean- **OBJECTION**

Application 55/0079/11/F – extension to balcony and utility room at Sherriffs, Bantham TQ7 3AW by Mr R Gates.- **NO OBJECTIONS**

Application 55/0223/11/F – Demolition of existing building and erection of replacement dwelling with associated landscaping to Southerly, Ilbert Road, Thurlestone TQ7 3NY by Mr D Barton.  
- **To be Looked at**

### Planning Withdrawn

Application 55/2736/10/F – application for creation of 2 ponds, raised wooden platform and raised wooden walkway re Grove Cottage, West Buckland TQ7 3AG by Mrs R Hatton.

### Planning Granted:

Application 55/2521/10/F – side extension to 17 Court Park, Thurlestone TQ7 3LX by Mr P C Hirst

Application 55/2638/10/LB – Listed Building application for single storey extension to Pear Tree Cottage, West Buckland TQ7 3AH by Mr C Wells.

Application 55/2636/10/F – Householder application for single storey extension to Pear Tree Cottage West Buckland TQ7 3AH by Mr C Wells.

Application 55/2667/10/CLE –Grant of certificate of Lawfulness for existing use or development for Land at Buckland Park, Bantham TQ7 3AB for use of land for siting of caravans and use for holiday purposes by Mr C Millar.

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

Julian Lee – Grass cutting War Memorial, Island View etc (April-Sept 2010)	£330.00
Peter Hurrell Building Contractors – repair stone wall Warren Hill	£ 93.41
<b>Total</b>	<b>£423.41</b>

## **9.Correspondence:**

Letter to SHDC re Precepts 2011/2012  
E mail dated 19.1.11 re Refined Line Web Development  
SHDC letter re Charity Quiz night on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2011  
SHDC letter re A councillor ...who me plus poster 14.1.11  
E mail - Community Safety Forum Event 10<sup>th</sup> February 2011  
E mail – SHDC – Planning pre – consultation communication  
E mail – Allotments officers' forum for South West.  
SHDC – letter re Licensing Act 2003 premises licence notifications  
SHDC – Letter re Play Areas within South Hams- insurance, inspection and Maintenance  
E mail – Sustainable Communities Act Update  
E mail – Site Allocations DPDs – Inspectors Final report  
Letter from Grant Thornton dated 2 February 2011 re Court Park Lane  
NALC Policy consultation – The Public Forest Estate

## **10.Circulars:**

Open Door Tor Homes newsletter  
Devon Air Ambulance – Poster - Charity Quiz Night 8<sup>TH</sup> February 7  
SIA – Fish and Chip Supper  
Devon Trees Services Ltd – Newton Abbot  
Devon Rural Housing Partnership – Free Community Land Trusts Seminar  
Winter Maintenance Community Self Help Schemes – Snow Warden Training

**To confirm the date, time and place of the next Parish Council Meeting as Monday 7th March 2011 - 7.30pm at Thurlestone Parish Hall**

11<sup>th</sup> February 2011

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**Chairman**