

# Thurlestone Parish Council

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## **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 5th March 2012 at 7.30pm in Thurlestone Parish Hall Thurlestone**

Present: Cllr Rhymes (Chairman),

Cllr Peter Hurrell

Cllr Nigel Hurrell

Cllr Mitchelmore

Cllr Munn

Cllr Came

In Attendance: Phil Millard (Clerk) and Ian Bramble and 9 members of public.

Declaration of Interest: Cllr Rhymes on Schools – (Sec 3d schools) and (Trees 3e).

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 Goddard – On Holiday.

#### **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 6th February 2012 were signed as a correct record.**

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

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

Report given - covered the template for the new clock for the Parish Hall.

2ft 6inch ideal size for clock and will cost about £500 plus a further £500 for the control.

A Jubilee year sign to go with it is also planned.

Carpet recently cleaned and phone is now working.

##### **b) Highways**

Cobbles on road by church continues to be crushed by lorries and farm vehicles. Will need attention before long and there are 2 more houses scheduled to be knocked down and rebuilt.

In view of this we should approach Yarmer Estates for funds to repair this stretch of road and Cllr Mitchelmore will raise it with them.

Sheep have been seen on the road again recently – this has been reported and understand that PCSO Dave Gibson has been to see Farmer.

### **C. Footpaths & Heritage Coast/Thurlestone Sands**

Public footpath sign at bottom of Court Park Lane is falling down and suggested we contact Helen Buckingham at SHDC – to see if can be replaced/mended.

Have received response from Ordnance Survey re change of name which was read out at the meeting – does not help at all and it was resolved to write to the National Trust again to see if we can get them to see sense. It is the word SANDS that causes the problems and confusion. We usually write to David Ford but it was suggested that we write to Mr Jenkins in Exeter (H.O).

**Resolved to write further letter.**

### **D. School – Cllr Rhymes**

Report given which gave update on admissions – very sort after school and currently have 8 families asking to get children into school – 5 within catchment & 3 within Parish. Will try and take as many as can.

Looking at becoming a Federation school.

Doing very well – have some very good youngsters.

MP Sarah Woolaston is coming on Friday!

### **e.Trees - Cllr Mitchelmore**

Hotel approached re trees by garages – these are dead and need to be removed. Will contact again.

### **F.Parish Plan – Cllr Came**

**Broadband** – should get decision soon – by end of March. Implications regarding any potential mast so need to do in conjunction with broadband solutuion.

Our MP has been approached as well to help.

Broadband champion will probably be Chris White as no one else wants to take on.

Can approach Awards for All – but need charitable status which Chris White is confident can be done through POTS. Will wait and see if expression of interest is accepted.

### **Mobile Phone mast –**

Firm will need to survey to see if site is acceptable – this will cost £350 – farmer may pay but if not council will have to. Resolved that this is acceptable to council and should now progress survey.

#### **g. Parish Clerk Report**

- Attended Planning meeting at Follaton House, Totnes regarding Dormers planning for garden shed – which was passed! Also listened to other wind turbine cases.
- Attended free planning course on 29<sup>th</sup> February run by DALC regarding neighbourhood plans which will be required in future. Born out of Localism Bill – will need to discuss and formulate what we intend to do going forward. Some work already done through are Parish Plan.
- Brook Cottage – rubbish from hedge needs removing – advised Highways.
- Burnt House – reported rubbish being dumped will be fined if not removed.
- Annual Parish Meeting – on April 23<sup>rd</sup> – need to decide who we want to invite. Suggested we approach Planning to come and talk.
- Need to look at council budget going forward as our outgoings are more than income. Will need to start cutting back.

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

- Gave report on recent issues – covered
- Community involvement in neighbourhood Plan
- Locality Fund – happy to help us re broadband commitment and open to any other suggestions for 2012/13.
- Council tax set at 2.5% increase – band D equivalent. Thought to be sensible to go for small incremental increases year by year.
- Covered the recent planning issues around the wind turbines at two farms which were recently passed.
- Confirmed that believes that the small property development at the old telephone exchange is still going ahead.
- Also that the Icelandic Monies invested – should get 90p in £ back.

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

Not present – No Report.

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

- Diamond Jubilee update – Raising funds through Wine and cheese evening at Parish Hall – will include old photograph display and memorabilia exhibition.
- Ram roast progressing plus mobile bar from the sloop.
- **Resolved that need to check our insurance covers the events.**

- Approached Hotel – and Graham Grose has promised money towards Ram Roast plus some towards new clock. Also offered use of ballroom at the end of the treasure hunt. Also will pay for prize in the raffle.
- Street parties are being planned in West Buckland and Bantham.
- £5 coins – need list of children in Parish
- Beacon will be on the Monday need to check with Farmer that ok.
- Grit has been distributed around the Parish now – although probably will not be needed this year.

## **7.Planning to be discussed:**

None

### **Planning Granted**

**Appeal Ref K1128/D/12/2168318 – Gulls Cry, Warren Road – Allowed re Dormer Window in proposed extension.**

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

DCC – Quarterly Rent for Playing Field	£20.00
Clerk - P Millard – Quarterly Expenses	£281.73
DD - Clerk - P Millard- Quarterly Salary (Paid Via PAYE)	£879.30
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1181.03</b>

Also confirmed that painting of the Phone Box can proceed – quoted £500 which we have budgeted for. Also ok to proceed with the ordering of the diamond jubilee coins.

## **9. Correspondence:**

DCC Letter re footpath No 9 Thurlestone 7.2.12  
Letter from HM Revenue & Customs re PAYE 7.2.12  
Email re Dormers planning app 55/2459/11/F Garden Shed  
Letter SLCC re courses 13.2.2012  
Email re Whimbrels Edge ,The Mead 14.2.12  
Email from Highways re Laying Kerb Stones 14.2.12  
E mail Connecting Devon Broadband PCP Mapping 8.2.12  
E mail Customer Service Centre Roads & Transport re Roads in Thurlestone 8.2.12  
E mail from CSC Roads & Transport re Pothole nr Eddystone Road 8.2.12  
Letter to Ordnance Survey re Thurlestone Sands 12.2.12  
Letter to Mrs Palmer Whitley Farm re sheep in Road/Fences 15.2.12  
Letter from Ordnance Survey re Thurlestone Sands 22.2.12  
Letter from Communities and Local Government re Freedom to Pray 20.2.12  
Email re DALC,s new web site 08.2.12

## **11. Circulars and to receive items for next agenda**

Domestic Violence and Abuse Service awareness service 13.2.12  
Clerks & Councils Direct March 2012

**Meeting closed at 9.00 pm**

**To confirm the date, time and place of the next Parish Council Meeting as Monday 2nd April 2012 at 7.30pm at Thurlestone Parish Hall**

**6th February 2012**

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**Chairman**

