

Thurlestone Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 13th April 2015 at 7.30pm in Thurlestone Parish Hall Thurlestone

Present: Cllr Rhymes (Chairman)
Cllr Munn
Cllr Goddard
Cllr Hurrell
Cllr Came

In Attendance: Phil Millard (Clerk) and Ian Bramble (District Councillor), PCSO Dave Gibson plus 16 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 Mitchelmore and Cllr Zaffiro – Holiday and County Cllr Gilbert – Unavailable.

2. The minutes to confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 3rd March 2015.

Resolved – that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 3rd March 2015 were signed as a correct record.

3. Matters Arising:

a) Parish Hall – Cllr Munn

New Caretaker will start on May 3rd. There will be a presentation to Ray the retiring caretaker on 21st April at the Parish Hall AGM to include drinks & nibbles.

Paul Martin has agreed to join maintenance committee.
New Projectors and equipment are now installed.

b. Highways –

Large lorry came via South Milton and took out hedges etc almost got stuck trying to turn around in centre of village. Discussed and **resolved to ask Highways re weight limit or any help they can give us.**

Bank in West Buckland is still dangerous and could fall anytime – **Resolved to ask Highways to come and sort out as a matter of urgency.**

c. Footpaths & Heritage Coast

Landslip on coastal path towards Bantham has been redirected but is still being assessed as could be further collapses.

d. Trees –

Still looking into the crown reduction on War Memorial – getting 3 quotes.

d. Parish Plan

Cllr Came – has spoken to Arqiva re possible mast at Mount Folly farm over in Bigbury – have encountered some technical issues – which has delayed things
So nothing has happened yet.

e. Parish Clerk Report

Good news – no election needed as we have 7 candidates for 7 positions on Parish Council. Bad news we are losing Cllr Dale Came – who is standing down because of work commitments. Often known as the voice of reason he has been an invaluable member of the council and will be greatly missed. His work on the Parish Plan and the The Mast are worthy of particular mention. New Parish Council membership will be confirmed at the May meeting.

Email from the National Trust – advising their position re Thurlestone Sands –read out our response stating our position! The beach is Thurlestone Sands as per all historic records and Ordnance survey – they own the car park!

Annual Parish council meeting guests – will try and get Highways – Adam Keay to come and David Cohen re Planning/Localism.

Parish Council Accounts for this year have balanced and will now forward to our internal Auditor for checking.

We do not have any plans for celebrating VE Day or Magna Carter (800 years) –
Although I may personally as I am still a serf working for the Lords of the Manor!

4. Dist and County Councillor Report

District councillor Ian Bramble gave a short report

This included –

- This will be his last Thurlestone Parish Meeting – as following the reduction in wards and councillors – our new ward with Salcombe will have ONLY two Councillors who are Judy Pearce and Simon Wright. Ian will be joining the Aveton Gifford ward so will no longer cover Thurlestone. Has enjoyed his time with us and thanked us for our support over the years. **Chairman – thanked him for all his hard work on behalf of the council.**
- Seaview Terrace – empty property – still ongoing – Plymouth City Council are investigating (fraud squad).
- Planning – has been a struggle as they are set up to push most cases through – this has been very disappointing on some cases. New builds are almost impossible to stop.

5. Police Business

Report Given by PCSO Dave Gibson which covered-

- Only one case to report this month which was a theft of a cement mixer from house on the mead.
- Sheep on the road is being dealt with.
- Dogs on the Mead latest – 2 dogs re-homed and the remaining ones must not be left unattended – was advised that dog had got out last week.

6. Business by Direction of Chairman

Presentation at beginning of Meeting re Parish Website – BY Chris White, Paul Martin and Mike Bone.

- It has long been thought that the Parish should have one – 200 other Parishes have them. Paul , Mike and also Alan Daily will help run with others.
- Indeed the Hotel and the school already have one!
- Would also be very useful for the Parish Hall, Parish Council and Village Voice.
- Village Voice although on Web Site – will continue to be published.
- Paul and Mike have researched possible layouts and outlined them to us.
- Cost would be £110 per annum aprox – is this acceptable to council?
- Name of Website needs to be short – so Thurlestone Parish suggested –
- But would need a link for Bantham and West Buckland if searched for to direct it there. Will investigate and let us know.
- Will take about 2/3 months to set up
- Should generate income from advertising.

Resolved – Parish Council very happy with the proposal and cost – confirmed ok to proceed subject to the link with the other 2 villages being built in.

Neighbourhood plan/Cobbled Road –

Neighbourhood plan – Cllr Goddard - Next meeting is 23rd April – posters have been put up around Parish giving details. Have asked for additional people to come on committee to help.

Cobbled road – meeting being arranged to see if can clarify ownership – new owners have indicated even if not theirs would be prepared to help with cost of repair.

Speed Limit through Village – will stay at 30 mph – unless we have an accident!

Will ask Adam Keay (Highways) for help especially by School.

7.Planning to be discussed:

55/0562/15/F – Application for extension to property and external alterations at Northern Grange, North Upton, Bantham TQ7 3AB by Mr I Hodge.

55/0524/15/F – Application for erection of conservatory and decking at 9 Parkfield, Thurlestone TQ7 3NW by Mr N Quinn.

8.Finance: Permission was asked to pay:

Parish Hall – Hall rental 3 months £35.00

Total £35.00

9.Correspondence:

Email re Local Elections arrangements 7th May 2015
Letter from Grant Thornton re TPC accounts 31.3.15 -10.3.15
Email re Parish Website 11.3.15
Email from Highways re Road Closure Thurlestone 13.3.15
Email re closure of S Milton footbridge 16th – 3 weeks 13.3.15
Email from SHDC Electoral office re Nomination Forms 14.3.15
Email from DCC Highways re Road Closure Langmans Cross 19.3.15
Local Gov Elections – invite meeting 15th April at Follaton house
Email – re Thurlestone Neighbourhood Plan – to Phil Baker 17.3.15
Letter from SHDC trees preservation order re Thurlestone Hotel 24.3.15
Letter from SHDC Trees preservation order re Stabling Cottage Bantham 24.3.15
Email re Display of notice of election re Parish and district elections in May 24.3.15
Email to Richard Snow NT Countryside manager re Thurlestone Sand 27.3.15

10.Circulars and to receive items for next agenda

The Clerk Magazine March 2015
Clerks & Councils Direct March 2015
Healthwatch Voices spring issue 2015
Application to Designate a Neighbourhood Plan Area – poster
VE DAY 8th May -letter from British Legion
South Hams Society Bulletin March 2015

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm

To confirm the date, time and place of the Annual Parish Meeting as Monday 27th April 2015 at 7.30pm at Thurlestone Parish Hall

14th April 2015

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Chairman

