

Thurlestone Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 9th April 2018 At 7.30 pm in Thurlestone Parish Hall Thurlestone

Present: Cllr Rhymes (Chairman)
Cllr Marshall
Cllr Hurrell
Cllr Zaffiro
Cllr Mitchelmore
Cllr Munn

In attendance: Cllr Gilbert (County Councillor), Cllr Pearce (District Councillor), Tony Russell representing Devon Air Ambulance and 11 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 the meeting for any matters that the public wished to raise. This section is not minuted.

Open Forum

1. Apologies for absence and to consider whether to approve reasons given.

Cllr Wright (District Council), Cllr Goddard

2. The Minutes

To confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 5th March 2018

Resolved - that the minutes of the parish Council meeting held on 5th March 2018 be signed as a correct record.

3. Tony Russell –Devon Air Ambulance

A Night Landing site has been identified in a field owned by farmer Geoffrey Stidson. An area of 50 x 50 m will be used leaving the remainder of the field available for crops. A single lighting column with two lamps served by a connection to the local electricity supply or by battery and wind power will be part of the installation. Costings for these are in progress.

A date for a talk with our local residents will be announced with 3 to 4 weeks notice. Following this a full presentation will be given to the Parish Council with the costs of each installation along with the running costs paid by the Parish. Funding sources are available if needed.

4. Community Heating

Chris White said that the result of the feasibility study, based on using the School and the Church for location of the central generation equipment, found that neither were financially acceptable. A full report will be on the Parish Web site.

5. Wi-Fi

Chris White reported that a site for a Relay Station was being sought. Some funds have been received through TAP and more may be available from Invest in Devon.

a) Parish Hall

The Parish Hall committee will see if some land could be available once the current Garage owner stops trading at the end of April this year. Enlargement of the Hall and more car parking is on the agenda. The Parish Council would need to have their views taken in to account.

b) Highways

Large potholes when notified are being marked with yellow paint to alert vehicles. As a different team do the painting as opposed to repair work , concern was raised about the delay in doing the repairs. Several car tyres have already been ruined with financial reparation sought.

Speed alert signs which could cost around £2,000 each will be investigated by Cllr Marshall

More robust bollards outside the Church are to be replaced costing £200

c) Footpaths

Cllr Hurrell has carried out repairs to the raised footpath from “Swallows” to “Heathfield” The footpath from “Heathfield “ has yet to be done The footpath from the Yarmer Estate to The golf course has still yet to be done.

d) Trees

The problem with the Valley Side ,Buckland trees should be raised with our District Councillor Judy Pearce as well as finding out if the residents could employ a Tree Surgeon , at their cost, to do further work.

e) Neighbourhood Plan

The Examiner is still working on our proposals and modifications might be needed. If so, future timings could be affected.

The Parish Council will look at forming a sub-committee, with some non- Council members, to preview and comment on planning applications

f) Parish Clerk

Seven applications have been received with interviews to be held with six of them. An appointment is planned to be made on 12th April.

7. County Councillor's Report

There is a massive backlog of repair work needed for potholes and landslides due to the snow and excessive rainfall. Flooding has been exacerbated where drain gulleys have been blocked during the snow clearance.

Why the same team painting the notified pothole can't do the repairs was discussed.

Cllr Gilbert asked if he could borrow one of the Hall's cones to mark the worst pothole, the answer was yes.

8. District Councillor's report

From the 1st of April this year SHDC will not accept cheques or cash to pay for Council Tax.

A review of waste disposal is in hand. Bulk waste costs are to be advised.

A weekly paid for lottery called Seamoor with proceeds going to local good causes will soon be on SHDC web site.

Regarding the Joint Local Plan recommendations are being sent to SHDC.

Cllr Pearce is promoting 1. High visibility jackets for Fishermen and 2 Care of long eared horse shoe bats.

The Parish Council were asked to send a representative to a meeting on planning to be held on 25th April at 1.30pm.

There is also a meeting to be held in May regarding training about the new General Data Protection Regulations. The newly appointed Parish Clerk will probably attend. SHDC have knowledge of possible funds towards additional land for the Parish Hall.

9. Police Business

Nothing to report.

10. Business by Direction of the Chairman

Malborough have a second hand gritting machine available for £1700

The need for a Parish Maintenance Person to do 2 to 3 hours each month was raised. It was agreed to look in more detail in two months time.

WW 1 Armistice Centenary Cllr Marshall has approached The Royal British Legion who are happy to provide some decorative items free of charge.

TAP Fund agreement – paper work has been done.

Further “thank you” letters have been sent to snow clearing helpers.

Cllrs Rhymes and Marshall have sorted out the Parish accounts.

11 Planning to be discussed.

0421/18/HHO, 21 Court Park –

Further revised plans

Opposed

0666/18/HHO, Rock Cottage Buckland

Application to demolish rear lean-to and erect a new extension

Supported

0504/18/HHO, 2 Old Rectory gardens TQ7 3PD

Application for proposed extension and alterations

Supported

0665/18/HHO, The Old Coach House

Application for a rear extension, minor alterations and erection of a garage in the rear garden.

Supported

12 Finance; permission was asked to pay

Nicholas Rowell – Road planings-footpath works	£316.82
South Hams Arborists – Memorial works	£395.00
DARE Community Heating Fund	£7329.60
DARE Community Heating Fund final invoice	£1832.40
South Hams Newspaper- Parish Clerk advert	£288.00
Nick Walker printing	£65.00
RS Plant Hire – Raised footpath works	£240.00
South Hams Newspaper – Parish Clerk advert	£288.00
Sue Crowther – Neighbourhood Plan	£116.88
TOTAL	£10872.30
Income - DCC Parish Paths	£300.00

13 Correspondence

Letter from Mark Hopwood –Totnes Train Station

This is a very important station and the story in the local gazette will be corrected.

14 Circulars and to receive items for the next agenda

Meeting closed at 9 pm

To confirm the date, time and place for the next Annual Parish meeting on
Monday 23rd April 2018 at 7.30 at Thurlestone Parish Hall

11th April 2018

Chairman.....