Thurlestone Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 3rd June 2013 at 7.30pm in Thurlestone Parish Hall Thurlestone

Present: Cllr Rhymes (Chairman)

Cllr Came
Cllr P Hurrell
Cllr N Hurrell
Cllr Mitchelmore
Cllr Goddard

In Attendance: Phil Millard (Clerk), Dist Councillor Bramble, PC Mullen & 9 members of public.

Declaration of Interest: Cllr Rhymes School (Sec3d)

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.

None

2.The minutes to confirm and sign the minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on Monday 20th May.

Resolved – that the minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on Monday 20th May 2013.

3. Matters Arising:

a) Parish Hall - Cllr Munn

Heating upgrade is on-going – quotes have been received and will be discussed at the Committee meeting on the 8th July.

New booking person is Diane Martin who has replaced Judith Le Grice who has retired.

b. Highways - Parking

Pot Hole opposite the Old Rectory needs doing again.

Pot Hole in West Buckland has been done – but in doing so they have blocked the gulley which takes the surface water away. So will need to come back and sort that out!

The metal support at beginning of the raised walkway is broken at the bottom – have reported it – need to chase/report again.

Resolved Clerk to report to Adam Keay.

c. Footpaths & Heritage Coast/Thurlestone Sands

- Hope cove coastal footpath is still closed can we find out what is happening Email to Helen Clayton required.
- The raised path is in need of urgent attention suggested we write to Tor Homes re their section and also Marsh Dawes (The Cottages – Bantham) to ensure it is tidied up ASAP. If this fails we will need to sort out ourselves!
- Thurlestone Sands –BBC programme aired 23rd May Was edited down quite a lot but got our point over well – It has obviously annoyed South Milton – see their letter dated 29th May just received. Well at least we know where they stand and also their long trumpeted historical evidence has been revealed – none of which is actually historical or evidence!
- Thanks to Cllrs Goddard, Hurrell and our crusading parishioner Mrs Zaffiro (Bron) for all their efforts. Where do we go from here?
- Cllr Goddard will approach Telegraph, Private Eye, Western Morning News etc
- Will also need to draft a reply to South Milton.

d. School - Cllr Rhymes

No report given as Half term at the moment.

e.Trees - Cllr Mitchelmore

Quiet at moment as birds nesting – but SHDC has advised will no longer write to him and requested an E mail address – this is difficult as does not have a computer!

Suggested he gives the clerks e mail – can then print off and drop round.

f. Parish Plan - Cllr Came

Coleridge bus is running but hardly anyone using it. Has been advertised and article in Village Voice should help. Holiday makers have used it – trying to get people in Kingsbridge to use it – to come to the beach at Bantham. Is a pilot – so use it or lose it.

Broadband/Mobile Phone

Technical community project – has stalled with DEFRA – still do not know if we are in the 10% who will not get coverage – this information is held by BT who refuses to tell us! Decided to go for option 2 – Part Wireless – this will require masts – so should solve the mobile problem as well.

It was decided that if no progress by 30th September – then we look at progressing the phone mast – separately.

Development – This was discussed in Open Forum – and it was acknowledged that we need to tighten up our Parish Plan with more strict rules re development within the village. It was covered in 5.1 of the plan – but was a little vague – needs to be amended to reflect what is needed going forward – to stop ever increasing overdevelopment.

The National Planning Framework is still evolving – but anything contained in the Parish Plan is a material consideration – and will have to be taken notice of.

It was resolved to amend the Parish Plan accordingly.

Resolved also to write to planning to ask for meeting with a planning officer.

g. Parish Clerk Report

Report covered

- Audit now completed and checked by internal Auditor (Ken Abraham) will be posted to Grant Thornton this week.
- Wall in West Buckland is with the Structural Team at SHDC highways.
- Finally got a reply re letter of complaint sent 30th December last year re Summer Cottage David Lloyd (Enforcement officer) has reviewed the case and states that Overall the works are acceptable!
 - Julian Lee should start planting the baskets/boxes ASAP re Best Kept Village.
 - IT Training still on hold as too busy will try and do in August Will need a new laptop soon as I use my own which is quite old now and getting slower! Can we discuss at next meeting any new equipment would belong to the Parish Council and be passed on.

4. Dist Councillor Report

Dist Cllr Bramble commented re suggestion made in open forum that we should amend our Parish Plan to try and protect the Village from over development. He believes that this would be a good idea as it helps when we object to any Future planning applications.

He is very keen to support us but can only do this if the Parish Council objects to an application. Has done this recently – Sea Breeze and Plot 13 Eddystone Road.

Boundary committee – will reduce the number of wards to 30 – this is being done as it is a statutory requirement when populations change significantly.

5.Police Business

PC Steve Mullen attended to advise this would be his last one – as he retires on the 19th June after 30 Year's service – Joined force in 1983 – came to Kingsbridge and has stayed here ever since!

Stated it had been a pleasure to work this area and particularly grateful for the support from Thurlestone.

Leaving party is on Saturday 22nd June at the Kings Arms.

6. Business by Direction of Chairman

Items covered elsewhere in minutes

7.Planning to be discussed:

55/1186/13/F – Application for new porch to dwelling 15 Mead Lane, Thurlestone Kingsbridge TQ7 3PB by Mr & Mrs J Pain - **NO OBJECTIONS**

8. Finance: Permission was asked to pay:

| Coleridge Bus – Saturday Lifeline service -May | £360.00 |
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| Society of Local Council Clerks Membership | 2 86.00 |
| Salary P Millard - Via PAYE – April/June | £971.82 |
| Expenses Clerk April - June | £180.87 |
| Thurlestone Parish Hall – Hire of Hall (May) | £ 15.00 |
| Ken Abraham – Internal Audit 2012/13 fee | £150.00 |
| Total | £1763.69 |

9.Correspondence:

| Letter from All Saints Church re cobbled road 10.5.13 Letter from SHDC RE Planning Appeal re 16 Meadcombe Road, Thurlestone E mail to S Milton PC re get it done project 22.5.13 E mail from Cllr Hodgson re Boundary Commission SHDC E mail to Highways re Wall in West Buckland and response 23/5/13 E mail from Highways re grass cutting programme 17.5.13 E mail to Planning re Plot 13 Yarmer Estate objection 27.5.13 Email from SHDC re official street naming – Parkfield 25.5.13 E mail from Alan Taylor Bigg re Proposal to amend Parish Plan 27.5.13 Letter from SHDC re Thurlestone School Play Area – Report 31.5.13 |
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| 10.Circulars and to receive items for next agenda |
| Spiritualised – Poster/circulars |
| Meeting closed at 8.40 pm |
| To confirm the date, time and place of the Parish Meeting as Monday 1st July 2013 at |
| 7.30pm at Thurlestone Parish Hall 4th June 2013 |
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Chairman