

Thurlestone Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 4th July 2011 at 7.30pm in Thurlestone Parish Hall Thurlestone

Present: Cllr Rhymes (Chairman),
Cllr Peter Hurrell
Cllr Nigel Hurrell
Cllr Munn
Cllr Goddard

In Attendance: Phil Millard (Clerk), Dist Cllr Ian Bramble, Cllr Baverstock and 11 members of public.

Declaration of Interest: Cllr Rhymes on Schools – (Sec 3d schools) & sec 6 (Bus at direction of Chairman) - Cllr Munn (Sec 7 Planning)

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

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

Cllr Came and Michelmore – both on Holiday – we have reluctantly accepted this reason for absence!

2. The minutes to confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 6th June 2011. LGA1972, Sch 12 para 41(1).

Resolved – that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 6th June 2011 signed as a correct record.

3. Matters Arising:

a) Parish Hall – Report by Cllr Hurrell

Brief report given – Slate off roof needs to be done but apart from that nothing to report.

b) Highways –

Meeting recently with councillors and Adam Keay (SHDC –Highways) and walked from Clanacombe through West Buckland and on to Bantham looking at road condition. Has taken pictures and will sort out some urgent work. Others will be reported and will have to wait until funds available. Pot holes by Chapel Cross have already been done. Good meeting and Adam was very helpful.

Pot hole reported by Rockhill junction – road to Bantham needs attention.

Resolved – Report pothole to Highways asap.

c) Footpaths & Heritage Coast

Footpath by garage to Court Park is very overgrown and the hedges need to be cut back. Main property concerned is a holiday home – back garden, so will need to write and ask them to cut the hedge.

Resolved – Clerk to write asap.

d) School – Cllr Rhymes

Years 5 & 6 back from Bude trip – had a good time, rockclimbing etc.
Rugby team recently entered competition and came 8th out of 2000 teams!
Open day went very well and Bishop of Plymouth attended.
Outside play area needs sorting out next will be looked at asap.
New vacancy for a Parent Governor.
Project run by Maya Plass for 4 local schools will display childrens work on 15th July at Thurlestone school 10.00am – 12.00.

e. Trees - Cllr Michelmore

No report.

f. Parish Plan –Cllr Came

No report – but see Parish Clerk report re Technology and District Councilors report re housing.

g. Parish Clerk Report /Thurlestone Sands

Sewerage vent pipe opposite the garage which is rusting badly has been reported and have chased South West Water regarding progress. Will be looking at and will be reporting back to me within next few days. (Job nos 1994877).

Due to the expenditure on the royal mugs we need to transfer money from our deposit funds £1000 should cover this and councillors discussed and voted unanimously in favour.

Resolved -Clerk to request transfer form to be signed at next meeting.

No response yet from Parking Control regarding our invoice for payment re parking fines.

Recent E mail from Kingsbridge Gazette re South Pool council trying to get weight restrictions on their roads to stop damage – have replied to say we have similar problems Around Bantham and West Buckland due to sat navs and think this is good idea. Happy to co-operate.

Technology report from Cllr Came – Richard Swan instigated a meeting with Devon Renaissance(DR) ON 16/06, to press our case for improved Broadband speed, they have support funding available, he asked for Parish support and Peter Wyatt (Hotel), Cllr Came (TPC) attended along with Chris White and David Murphy (Slapton PC). The meeting went well and they are optimistic, however DR have some investigative work to do on our behalf prior to further progress.

Poor mobile signal in Buckland and Bantham was raised at last meeting. Has checked all Major mobile providers and all are quite poor as regards coverage. O2 seem to be the best. But have checked and as we already knew there is no signal in these two areas.

Thurlestone Sands

Cllr Baverstock had kindly agreed to come along and give as report as to progress in this matter. Has spoken to National Trust and their position is the same ie will only do something if all the councils involved agree. Having looked at the problem he believes that the best way to tackle it, is to look at it having spoken to all parties involved and then produce a report (evidence based) suggesting a way forward. He will talk to everyone separately over next couple of months.

4.District Councillor's Report

Housing – Current average price in Area £260k – given multiples of salary it is now very difficult for first time buyers to get on the housing ladder. Council are looking at every opportunity for affordable housing schemes.

Went on to give us a brief report to bring us up to date which included following:

- Press release SHDC won award re sharing services –Annual savings £1.6m.
- Local councillors should stop trying to be all things to all men
- Super cluster meeting 13th July – devolve power from DC to PC,s
- Old telephone exchange development in Thurlestone plans – Planning Department is awaiting response from developers to suggested changes in appearance of external elevations and some materials to be used in construction. There may be some way to go before a final decision is reached.
- Wind Turbines development proposed at Torr Quarry

5.Police Business

Not present. There have been a couple of burglaries recently.

6. Any other Business by Direction of Chairman

Phone box,s – do we want to keep and buy for £1.00 from BT.

Discussed council only interested in keeping one – which is the one by the shop.

The other one by School and one in West Buckland it was felt were not needed and unless someone comes forward to take them on will be allowed to go.

Asked Village Voice to ask if anyone interested in next issue – if no one comes forward will just keep the one box.

Memorial tree for Late Len Hubbard discussed at some length following recent Site meeting and it was decided that there was not enough room by the memorial without cutting existing trees down.

The only other places were by church wall and it was either by the large rock just before road to church car park or on the spur nearer the shop end.

In order for it to be seen and for maximum effect decided on the spur site.

Resolved – tree to be planted on spur and will do this in the autumn. Clerk to write to Church Warden to let him know.

Curb stones have obtained 28(no cost) – still need more. Need to then get idea of costs to put them in – get quotes. Discussed if depending on costs we should look to see if there are

other priorities re roads that should take priority? Will wait until all curb stones obtained and then discuss further.

Devon County council grass cutting – letter received advising us of reduction in service due to funding cuts which will effect various locations in the village.

Raffle – at Parish Hall Autumn Fair on 24th September is usually run by Parish Council letter received from June Bevan asking if we will be doing it again this year.

Letter from Sam Rhymes (aged 10) discussed – Chairman Cllr Rhymes declared a preferential interest as it is his son and left the room. Sam has asked for a five a side football net to be used on green at Island View. After discussion remaining councillors agreed to this providing cost no more than £150 and that they are removed after use to storage that everyone can access. Whilst not in budget our deposit monies were put aside for recreational items/use.

Resolved – Agreed to pay £150 towards cost of goal nets.

Copy of E mail from Evans Estates forwarded to Cllr Goddard regarding car parking by lane adjoining All Saints Church - in this it stated that Parish Council were clamping cars parked in the lane and charging for the privilege

of releasing them. They were concerned this was happening without their knowledge.

Asked tony to feed back to them that the Parish Council have never clamped any vehicles and indeed do not have the ability to do this. We do issue parking tickets from time to time for any cars parked on the corner which is owned by council and this is what was mentioned in Village Voice.

Super Cluster Meeting on 13th July important that we have a representative and Cllr Goddard very kindly agreed to attend on our behalf – asked if public wanted anything raised they contact him.

7.Planning to be discussed:

55/1423/11/F – Amendments to household planning approval 55/0085/11/F for extension to dwelling (alterations to fenestration and door openings and erection of chimney) to 2 Mead Lane, Thurlestone TQ7 3PB by Mr P A Dean. **No objections**

55/1482/11/F – Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of new dwelling at Lampreys, Eddystone Road, Thurlestone, TQ7 3NU by Mr R Moore. **No Objections**

55/1575/11/F – Revisions to approved application reference 55/1926/08/RM –re new detached dwelling with double garage at 7 Whimbrels Edge, Thurlestone TQ73BR by Mrs Judy Pearce.

No Objections

55/1578/11/F – Construction a small timber store at All Saints Church, Thurlestone by Mr G Worrall (Agent). **No Objections**

55/1592/11/F – First Floor extension over garage and new garden room at 11 Edwards Close, Thurlestone TQ7 3BP by Mr & Mrs P Pool – **Agreed to Site meeting.**

Granted

55/0656/11F – Enlarge and enclose rear porch at Myrtle Cottage, West Buckland TQ7 3AF by Mr Nils White.

55/0657/11F – Listed building application to enlarge and enclose rear porch at Myrtle Cottage, West Buckland TQ7 3AF by Mr Nils White.

8.Finance: Permission was asked to pay:

DALC – New Councillors Course 16 th June 2011	£66.00
SLCC – Membership 2011	£82.00
Thurlestone Parish Hall	£47.50
Julian Lee –Grass cutting (April-June)	£200.00
Total	£395.50

9.Correspondence:

Letter from Sam Rhymes re goal posts
Letter to Parking Control Services – Invoice re parking tickets
SHDC – South Hams Town & Parish Council Voice -6.6.2011
South West Water letter re West Buckland Sewerage 3.6.2011
Letter re Parking at Grove Cottages
Senior Inspector- South Hams Police letter
SHDC grass cutting reduction in service
SHDC Play Area at Thurlestone School Report of Examination

10.Circulars:

Marine Conservation – Summer 2011
DCC – Emergency Management June 2011
South Hams Connect – Summer 2011
Clerks & Councils Direct – July 2011

Meeting closed at 8.45 pm

To confirm the date, time and place of the next Parish Council Meeting as Monday 5th September 2011 at 7.30pm at Thurlestone Parish Hall

7th July 2011

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Chairman

