

Minutes of the Meeting of Thornham Parish Council held on Wednesday 10 April 2019 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall, Thornham.

Present: Cllr A Needham (Chair) Cllr A Chesterman (Vice) Cllr W Brook
Cllr S Grief Cllr E Bett Cllr B Gulliver
Cllr A Brown

Also present: Cllr E Watson & 3 Members of the Public.

**1. To receive and consider apologies for absence;
Everyone present**

2 To receive Declarations of Interest

Cllr Needham gave a personal interest in anything concerning Thornham United Charities. Cllr Gulliver and Cllr Grief gave a personal interest in anything concerning the Neighbourhood Plan.

3. Borough Councillor's Report

It was resolved to open the meeting to allow the Public to address the meeting.

Cllr Watson started her report by saying that this was her last report as a Borough Councillor as she was stepping down at the election next month. Cllr Watson thanked everyone for making her feel so welcome. Cllr Needham thanked Cllr Watson for all her help and support and how it has made a great difference to the life of the village and she will be missed.

Cllr Watson explained that she attended a Norfolk Coast Community event to celebrate the end of their 50th year. Cllr Watson advised that she advised them of the dangers of the crossing proposed for the coast path.

Cllr Watson advised that the European Elections would now be held on the 23 May.

Cllr Watson wished the Council well for the future and said that she had agreed to help at the Markers Mark and the Fun Day, so she will keep in touch.

4. County Councillor's Report.

Cllr Jamieson was not in attendance. The Clerk advised that she had asked for a written report.

5. Adjournment of Meeting to allow for public questions.

Cllr Watson

Parishioners present all wished to thank Cllr Watson for all her help and support. They advised that Cllr Watson has help lots and lots of parishioners.

Coastal Path.

The Parishioner advised that loads of soil were still being delivered and tipped on the site. Cllr Watson advised that Borough Council Enforcement Team have taken up the case. The Clerk advised that the Environment Agency and Natural

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England were working with the Borough Council.

Cllr Bett advised that evidence had been found to prove ownership.

CL41

A Parishioner advised that the Crown were claiming to own part of CL41 but evidence was available to prove that this was not the case. The Parishioner advised that he had been informed by an MP that the Crown were claiming lots of land along the coast.

Parish Partnership

A Parishioner was concerned that the new road entrance signs were costing £10,000. The Clerk advised that the Parish only pay half of the costs and a figure was not available at the time that the paperwork needed to be in so this was the worst-case scenario. Cllr Needham advised that the Parishes share was coming from CIL Monies.

It was resolved for the meeting to return to closed session.

6. Minutes of the Thornham Parish Council Meeting held on 13 March 2019

It was resolved to approve the minutes and for the Chair to sign as a true and accurate record.

Matters Arising

Castle Cottages – Garages

The Clerk advised that Freebridge were currently speak with the tenant of the occupied garage as Freebridge wish to remove both garages and get rid of the asbestos in one go.

7. To receive a Report from Thornham Village Hall & Playing Fields Ltd.

Mr Staveley was not available to attend this meeting. They have requested that the Parish Council purchase a mobile sign advising people not to park where the mobile Post Office is due to be on a Tuesday between 2:00pm to 3:30pm. Cllr Needham asked for payment to come from the CIL monies the Clerk advised that she did not believe mobile signs were infrastructure but would ask the question.

Cllr Brooks advised that an email the Council had recently received was requesting permission to have a Recycling Bank and the only area she could think of was on the edge of the field. **It was resolved for the Cllr Brooks to ask at the Village Hall Committee Meeting on Monday.**

8. Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Gulliver explained that the group were working on the draft plan considering comments from questionnaires etc from the Open Day and make any slight modifications necessary. There is no date as yet for publication of the draft plan.

9. Internal Auditor

The Clerk advised that Mrs Allen had agreed to undertake the audit in the first couple of weeks of May.

10 Bus Shelter

It was resolved for the Clerk to chase.

11. Bench – Church Street

The bench was due to be delivered on Saturday 13 April and a Parishioner had agreed to help Cllr Needham to put it securely in place. Cllr Grief had agreed to take a photograph so that the Clerk can send to the removal firm.

12. Ditch- Green Lane

Cllr Needham advised that he had meet up with Mr Bett and the ditch was a main Storm Drain. **It was resolved for the Clerk to contact NCC Highways and get the situation double checked.**

13. Chapel Street Planter

Councillors were asking if it was really necessary. The Clerk said that everything had been agreed apart from sketch. The Clerk said that she felt the licence should be achieved then the New Council can decide. **It was resolved for Cllr Needham and the Clerk to undertake.**

14. Toad mortality on Thornham Roads

The Council had received an email asking for something to be achieved about the number of toads that get killed on the roads in Thornham especially around the Staithe Lane area. After discussion **It was resolved for the Clerk to obtain quotes for small signs in a Fluorescent material saying BEWARE TOADS CROSSING.**

15. Borough Council Local Plan Review

The Clerk advised that comments needed to be at the Borough Council by the 29 April. **It was resolved for a working meeting to take place on Wednesday 24th April at 7.00pm to look at the plan and formulate comments.**

16. Planning Applications and Determinations:

Applications:

19/00564/F Application for extension at the Old Garage, High Street, Thornham. **It was resolved to recommend approval.**

19/00651/F Application for replacement of hipped roof with gable end at Stable Cottage, Green Lane, Thornham. **It was resolved to recommend approval**

Determinations:

None received

17. Correspondence:

The following list of correspondence can be viewed by arrangement with the Clerk.

- a) Email from Scope re Textile Recycling Banks (see Min 7)
- b) Clerks & Council's Direct

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18. Accounts for payment

March

Clerk's Expenses	101238	45.05
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April

E-On Energy Street Lighting – (April)	Direct/Debit	44.04
Orwell Mencap – Replacement Bench	D/P	707.00

It was resolved for these payments to be made.

19. Payment Received

None received

20. Items For Next Agenda

Same agenda plus Parish Partnership.

21. Date, & Place of next meeting.

Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 8 May 2019 at the Village Hall, High Street at 7.00pm.

At the end of this part of the meeting Cards and Gifts were exchanged to Borough Councillor Watson, Cllr Brooks and Cllr Brown who had decided not to continue as Councillors after the election. They will all be greatly missed.

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider passing the following resolution:

“That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.”

22. Legal Action.

A letter had been received from the Solicitor regarding possible evidence. This was discussed and **It was resolved for dates etc be given to the Clerk and for the Clerk to draft a response and send round for agreement prior to sending to the Solicitor.**

With no further business the meeting closed at 8:30pm

Action List

Cllr Brooks

- Ask about recycling bin at the Village Hall Meeting.

Cllr Grief

- Take photo of new bench

Clerk

- Chase insurance re Bus Shelter
- Contact NCC Highways re Storm Drain- Green Lane
- Obtain quotes for various signs
- Draft Solicitors response letter.

- Comment on Planning Application
- Make Payments
- Make sure items for the next agenda go on agenda

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