

Minutes of the Thornham Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 30 March 2023 at 7.00pm at Thornham Village Hall

Present: Cllr S Mocatta (Chair) Cllr I Barrett Cllr A Needham
Cllr S Greef.
Cllr Chesterman arrived at the meeting after item 5.
Also present: Clerk & 2 Members of the Public.

- 1. To receive and consider apologies for absence;
It was resolved to accept apologies from Cllr Venes and Cllr Chesterman**
- 2 To receive Declarations of Interest**
Cllr Needham gave a prejudicial interest in Planning Application 23/00438/LDP.
- 3. Adjournment of Meeting to allow for public questions. (15 mins max 5 mins per Speaker.)**

Permission Path by the Village Hall

A Parishioner advised that there was a root coming up and could be a trip hazard and also a cable is exposed. Cllr Mocatta agreed to inform the Village Hall Trustees.

Potholes

A Parishioner advised that there were lots of potholes in the village. Cllr Mocatta advised that Cllr Greef reports potholes on a regular basis. Cllr Greef advised that anyone can report on the Norfolk County Council Highways website. The Clerk agreed to place the link in the minutes. <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads/report-a-problem>.

Drain Cover

Cllr Needham advised that he had reported a hole in the drain hole cover. They had emailed back within an hour. Cllr Needham had put a bollard over but they still have not been out to repair.

Planning Application 22/01913/F

Parishioner present had advised that the revised drawings were a lot better and the loss of light aspect has been improved. There was concern regarding the height of the new application. Cllr Mocatta advised that she had looked and believes it is the shape and not the height that has changed. The Parishioners also advised that his property was over shadowed on three sides. Cllr Needham advised the parishioners to write to the Planning Department with any concerns they might have.

4. Village Matters

- 4.1 Streetlight to receive quotes for replacement of five Concrete Columns and five bracketed lights and to vote on contractor/s.

The Clerk handed round the final details obtained regarding the Streetlights. Two Contractors had acknowledged that there would be no additional payments regarding the brackets and new LED Lanterns. The Clerk has been in contact with UKPowernetwork and only one contractor has obtained quotes to undertake the work. All contractors would place new poles next to the old poles and then removed the old poles. UKPowernetwork thought that one contractor was putting the new column into the old hole. The Clerk confirmed with the contractor who advised that it was not the case.

It was resolved to place the order for the five concrete columns with Cozens for £6975.00 and the bracket and LED Lanterns with K & M lighting for £1100.

5. Planning Applications and Determinations:

Applications:

22/01913/F Application for Construction of 2 new dwellings following demolition of existing dwelling at Lombardy High Street Thornham. **It was resolved to recommend approval.**

23/00438/LDP Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for the erection of a 2m high fence Land North of Coach House High Street Thornham. . **It was resolved to recommend approval.**

6. To Receive a report from the Finance and Staffing Working Party.

The Clerk was asked to leave the meeting.

The F&S Working Party presented a report, which the council comprehensively discussed. The council approved the two proposals from the F&S Working Party

7. Correspondence: (see associated papers) To review and consider any action necessary

None received.

8. Items For Next Agenda

8.1 To consider items that need to go on the next agenda.

Speedwatch.

9. Date, and Place of next meeting.

Annual Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 10 May if uncontested 17 May if contested at 7.00pm at Thornham Village Hall.

With no further business the meeting closed ??.

Action List

Cllr Mocatta

- Speak with Trustees regarding the root and cable on the permissive path.

Clerk

- Make Planning Comments
- Place orders for the Streetlights
- Place items on next agenda