

THURGARTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes from the Annual Parish Council meeting held at 8.30 pm on
Monday 7th November 2022 in the Village Hall

Present: Councillors; Tina Tsoukatos (TT/Chairman), David Lewis (DL), Denise Bryant (DB), Roger Foster (RF), Natalie Robinson (NR), Katie Chan (KC) and Austin Brady (AB).

In Attendance: Lisa-Jayne Campbell (LJ/Clerk) and four members of public.

Year/minute item	DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS
069/22	To receive and note public representation: A representative from the TCA addressed the council regarding a warm space's proposal for the VH; the TCA will apply for a grant. A parishioner reported that it was their understanding that some members of the public did not attend meetings because they had trouble hearing the Cllrs; DL will investigate the induction loop that is installed in the VH. A planning applicant was in attendance to answer any questions regarding his application.
070/22	To receive and accept apologies for absence: The Chairman welcomed new Councillor Austin Brady to his first meeting. All Cllrs present.
071/22	To note declarations of interest: There were no declarations of interest.
072/22	To accept the Minutes from the previous meeting: The Minutes from the meeting held on 28 th July 2022 and the Extra Ordinary meeting held on 5 th September 2022 were accepted as true representations of the meetings and signed by the chairman.
073/22	Matters arising: a. update on the co-option of the new Parish Councillor: Cllr Austin Brady was co-opted at the Extra Ordinary meeting held on the 5 th of September 2022, where he signed his acceptance of office before the Chairman.
074/22	To receive reports from District and County Councillors: RJ reported that the drainage issues have been fixed. There is a defibrillator website, The Circuit, for all registered defibs; NR confirmed that Thurgarton's are all listed. An election for a mayor of the combined authorities is due in 2024. Kerbside glass collection is being proposed from the start of 2023. The Sherwood Oak whips are available for the Queen's Platinum Canopy. The garden waste bins are being increased by £2 to £37 from 2023. Newark Palace Theatre and the Civil War Museum have been awarded £900K towards running costs. <i>(RJ left at 21H15).</i>
075/22	A. Planning Applications for consideration: 22/01992/FUL New steel framed grain storage building. Far Barn Farm, Priory Road, Thurgarton, Nottinghamshire, NG14 7GT – SUPPORTED. 22/01547/FUL Hill Farm Cottage, change of use from school to residential – SUPPORTED. 22/02024/FUL Far Barn Farm, erection of steel framed workshop and equipment store – SUPPORTED. B. Update on planning matters including recent and extant applications. Decisions: 22/01502/LDC, Willow Tree Cottage, Certificate Issued. 22/01184/HOUSE, Beck Lodge, replacement gates – PERMITTED 22/01422/HOUSE, Ivy Lodge, erection of cart shed – PERMITTED 22/00955/FUL, 18 Priory Park, resident extension – PERMITTED

	<p>22/00947/FUL, Thurgarton Quarters Farm, stable conversion – PERMITTED.</p> <p>C. Any other items notified to Thurgarton Parish Council prior to the meeting and requiring submission of comments before the following scheduled Parish Council Meeting.</p>
076/22	<p>Finance:</p> <p>a. Payments for authorisation: Payments totalling £965.29 were authorised and a receipt of £12.50 for the annual Beck monitor was noted.</p> <p>b. Balance of Accounts: NatWest Business Current Account balance as of 31st October 2022 is £30999.67 and the Reserve Account balance is £13252.81</p> <p>c. The report from the external auditors – defer to the November meeting.</p> <p>d. To discuss and agree action regarding CIL and annual insurance: defer to November meeting.</p>
077/22	STRATEGY ROLES: To receive updates and note any actions required
A	<p>Emergency Measures: The Beck monitor: NR reported that there has been three new sign ups and the invoices have been sent out. The defib at the Methodist church needs to be relocated to The Red Lion; this is in process. NR suggested writing a letter to confirm the agreement to cover the electricity cost at the Red Lion once it is installed. An Emergency Plan drill was held on the 30th of October and NR will put together a feedback report from the event, NR and AB thanked all people involved in the exercise.</p> <p>TT reported: NCC Property Flood Protection for some properties on Beck St and Station Rd – work is on-going, planned to be complete within 2-3 weeks</p> <p>Flood Mitigation solution for the village – contractors have been instructed to provide detailed design and costing report for this project which will be presented to the IDB Board meeting Nov 22.</p>
B	<p>Highways: AB drain outside the hairdressers – he spoke to Matt Duckworth who informed them that they have put a pipe into the drain which allows for the water to drain as a solution. The road up to the stables – VIA with spray paint – the potholes have been filled from the hairdressers up to the church entrance. DB reported a blocked gutter to AB.</p>
C	<p>Communication: KC discussed the recent concerns with the broadband issues in the village; she has been in touch with the providers who suggested that all parishioners should note their interest in Fibre broadband online, it was agreed to put an article in the Thurgarton People and via the village website – DL and KC will action. KC suggested that the Coronation Bank Holiday planned for Monday 8th May 2023 for the village fete; the PC agreed.</p> <p>TT reported: Remembrance Sunday – all arranged for Sunday 13th November, to start at midday at Corner Croft.</p> <p>Many thanks to Jon & Lorraine Fryer for once again dressing the village with poppies and flags.</p> <p>Forterra – have been asked if they would fund or donate towards the 2nd Defibrillator for the village</p> <p>An accountant, who specialising in working with Parish Councils, has been engaged to look at recent VAT claims at a cost of £600.</p> <p>A solicitor, who specialises in working with Parish Councils, has been engaged to look at new documentation covering the Village Hall Charity, the Parish Council as the sole trustee of the Charity and the Thurgarton Community Association.</p> <p>Delighted that new editors have volunteered for the Thurgarton People and looking forward to the next edition of this important village asset.</p> <p>Web site update to be undertaken</p>

D	Environment: DB reported that a lot of work has been done around the village including the maintenance of the bench next to the telephone box. The War Memorial has been prepped and ready for the Remembrance Service. TT will ask Forterra to do the autumn clean.
E	Village Hall: Update on the Constitution The accountant and solicitor – feedback that they are taking a lot of time getting back to them. Minutes from TCA are now being sent to the Clerk who should forward them onto the Cllrs. Finances are still good, with a recent donation from the bowls club which has closed. The bookings ebb and flow. DL asked the PC for approval to use the grant for replacing the doors – he requested the extra money comes from the CIL funds; the PC voted in favour of replacing the doors using the CIL funds to cover the difference between the grant received and the cost of works; DL will get a final quote for approval at the November meeting. There is a village disco event on 25 th November and Christmas Carols on Saturday 10 th December with mulled wine in the village hall and lighting of the tree. DL informed the PC that the heating is on a three-year fixed rate until January 2024.
078/22	Playground update: AB has been in touch with Savilles regarding the ownership of the little piece of land behind the sewerage works, and they confirmed it belonged to Trinity; ongoing.
079/22	To receive update and agree action for the village plan: Defer to the November meeting.
080/22	Update on second defibrillator in the village: See item 077/22 A.
081/22	To note Correspondence received and subsequent action: DB asked that each month a Cllr writes a mini bio about who they are and what their role in the PC is for the Parish Magazine.
082/22	To note future Agenda items: Speed Watch update, village plan,
083/22	Private and Confidential <i>In accordance with Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 section 1(2), the Council exclude the public and press from the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.</i> An update on the Village Hall VAT was provided.
084/22	Next meetings: The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 24 th November 2022 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 22h20.