

# THURGARTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes** from the Parish Council meeting held at 7.30 pm on  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 in the Village Hall

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

**In Attendance:** Lisa-Jayne Campbell (LJ/Clerk), Cllr Roger Jackson and six members of public.

Year/minute item	DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS
113/22	<b>To receive and note public representation:</b> A member of public asked if the clerk has completed a VAT training course and she confirmed that she has.
114/22	<b>To receive and accept apologies for absence:</b> all Cllrs presents.
115/22	<b>To note declarations of interest:</b> There were no declarations of interest.
116/22	<b>To accept the Minutes from the previous meeting:</b> The Minutes from the meeting held on 26 <sup>th</sup> January 2023 were accepted as a true representation of the meeting and signed by the chairman.
117/22	<b>Matters Arising:</b> The Clerk reported that the family who wished to make a bequeath to a charity in Thurgarton were very happy about bequeathing to the Village Hall Charity – clerk to send the new bank details once the bank account has been opened.
118/22	<b>To receive reports from District and County Councillors:</b> Nothing of note to minute.
119/22	<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p>A. Planning Applications for consideration: 23/00261/S73 – Thurgarton Quarters Farm, Priory Road, Thurgarton, NG25 0RW – Variation site layout plan and internal road layout – SUPPORTED. 23/00259/HOUSE – Southcroft, Bleasby Road, Thurgarton, NG14 7FW – Replacement conservatory roof with rooflights – SUPPORTED. 23/00084/CPRIOR - Checkers Farm – change of use – the PC agreed to email Planning and raise their concerns. 23/00293/OUTM – Research Centre R91 – Demolition; Clerk asked to request an extension for consideration at the next PC meeting.</p> <p>B Update on planning matters including recent and extant applications. 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>
120/22	<p><b>Finance:</b></p> <p>a. Payments for authorisation: Payments totalling £423.75 were authorised plus. b. Balance of Accounts: NatWest Business Current Account balance as of 22 February 2023 is £27516.13 and the Reserve Account balance is £13278.46. c. To agree Clerk’s new pay scale – Deferred to the March meeting. g. VAT update: Clerk to send letter with the latest claim included</p>
121/22	<b>STRATEGY ROLES: To receive updates and note any actions required</b>
A	<p><b>Emergency Measures:</b></p> <p>NR is looking into getting a grant for a defib for the Village Hall. NR is compiling an updated data base. TT reported: Flood Mitigation solution for the village progress report – Internal Drainage Board (IDB) still progressing project, report from Balfour Beatty with costs expected in 2 weeks. The project is still planned to be completed by Oct 2023.</p>

<b>B</b>	<b>Highways:</b> AB has been in touch with Highways who advised to report all potholes via the MyNotts app as well as providing the inspection programme which AB will work around. Speedwatch is presently being reviewed. The speed sign that needs to be moved is with the planning department; AB will follow up. A S115 certificate is needed for roadside shrub planting; Clerk asked to check the insurance and confirm that we have public liability for min £5M.
<b>C</b>	<b>Communications:</b> TT reported: Forterra - have asked if they would fund or donate towards the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Defibrillator for the village, all bar 2 lights, which cannot be changed, are now pointing down thereby reducing the light pollution to the village, request made for them to contribute to the Spring Clean-up by working the road between the factory gate and the junction with the A612. Forterra - have offered the use of the defibrillator which is sited at the weighbridge, next to the entrance. Web site update to be undertaken.
<b>D</b>	<b>Environment:</b> It was agreed to utilise the CIL money to cover the cost of a new dog bin. DB has received one quote to repaint the bollards and the Clerk has requested another quote; clerk to give DB the details for them to contact her so she can arrange to show them the work. DB reported back on the lengthsman scheme, and the PC voted in favour of adopting the scheme.
<b>E</b>	<b>Village Hall:</b> Annie Duquem has resigned from the VHMC; the PC thanked Annie for her many years of service and commitment. The Coronation event is planned for the 8 <sup>th</sup> May and the first meeting with the working party is 7 <sup>th</sup> March.
<b>122/22</b>	<b>Playground update:</b> AB has been in touch with Trinity College to discuss the use of land for a playground – ongoing.
<b>123/22</b>	<b>To receive update and agree action for the village plan:</b> The survey is in progress.
<b>124/22</b>	<b>To note Correspondence received and subsequent action:</b> An email was received from Mrs Edkins regarding confirmation that a reported ditch has been filled in.
<b>125/22</b>	<b>To note future Agenda items:</b> Clerk's salary scale and PAYE, strategic documents, matters arising. Clerk to send approved Minutes and Agendas to Steve Edkins to put up on the noticeboards.
<b>126/22</b>	<b>Private and Confidential</b> <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>
<b>127/22</b>	<b>Next meetings:</b> The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 20h36.