

Minutes of Thurton Parish Council (TPC)

Thursday 29th September 2022 – 7:30pm

In Attendance: I Capps, (Chairman) L Patterson, K Calderwood, C Popplewell

Minutes: T Higlett (Parish Clerk)

1. Apologies
It was agreed to accept apologies from T Black, Cllr V Thomson
2. Declaration of Interest for Items on the Agenda and Dispensations for Councillors with a Pecuniary Interest.
None
3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 28 July 2022
These were agreed as a true record of proceedings
4. Public Open Forum
No public in attendance
5. Planning
None
6. Matters arising from the Minutes
 - I. Defibrillator – Clerk advised that Ashby St Mary PC are prepared to contribute towards the cost of the defibrillator as it will benefit Ashby residents as well as Thurton. Clerk had quoted the total cost of defibrillator as £1800 and Ashby are prepared to pay 50%. I Capps advised after researching the models he felt council should purchase cPad Zoll AED 3 at £2295.00. Members unanimously agreed. Clerk to obtain further details on the unit and delivery timescale. L Patterson advised she would speak to the local school to see whether they would be interested in managing it with the parish council overseeing during school holidays.
 - II. Bus shelter maintenance - Closure to be discussed with highways. No further correspondence received from contractor.
 - III. Emergency Co-Ordinator meeting set to take place by Zoom on the 12th October
 - IV. Update on music events at George and Dragon – To date there has been no correspondence from South Norfolk Community Protection Officer.
 - V. Dog Waste signage – I Capps to supply a map of village where signage required. NCC have to approve.
7. Finance
 - I. To note councils current financial standing:
Business Community Account - £12,501.49
Business Savings Account – £3229.03
 - II. Council approved the following payments:

Payee	Reference	Amount	Chq. no
T Higlett	Salary – August	259.67	101390
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HMRC	Clerks Tax	175.20	101393
Roberts & Son	Printing of Thunderer	358.00	101394
A Rudd	Village maintenance	40.00	101395

George & Dragon PH	Jubilee Fireworks	50.00	101396
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III. Mini Recycling center agreement signed and returned to South Norfolk

8. Prospect Place, Thurton.
Council will be holding a site meeting with NCC Highways Engineer and Cllr K Mason Billig on the 14th October, to discuss problems with crossing the road, speed of vehicles and visibility. Other highways concerns of the council will also be addressed including speed activated signs by the school, crossing the A146 to get to the school during core school times and bus stop closure whilst maintenance is carried out.
9. Parish Partnership Scheme
Chairman of the Ashby and Thurton Village Hall had obtained quotations to replace the driveway and approached both Ashby St Mary and Thurton Parish Council for a grant. It has also been suggested to apply for additional grant funding from the Norfolk County Council's Parish Partnership Scheme, which would mean councils would have to match fund if successful in obtaining a grant. Council advised they would assist with a contribution and would match Ashby St Mary's contribution. Ashby St Mary PC will take the lead in completing funding documentation.
10. Council Policies review
 - I. Grant Awarding Policy was adopted
 - II. General Risk Assessment – it was proposed that council would incorporate the Risk Register and General Risk Assessment documents into one.
11. Update on repairs carried out by NCC Highways
Signage which had been posted on speed limit signs had been removed.
Routine maintenance to be carried out to prevent flooding on Norwich Road, A146 and Ashby Road. Areas are prone to standing water after heavy rain.
Weed treatment to be carried out in Thurton and any necessary footway repairs because of weed damage will also be carried out.
12. Reports
Village Maintenance – T Black not in attendance to convey a report
Village Hall – L Patterson advised the hall is doing well with bookings and the accounts are good. A 2-year fixed electricity rate has been agreed till April 2024. There is still work to be carried out, one of which is the coppicing in the wooded area at a cost of £7,000. Recent heavy rain had found its way into the chair room, via guttering which had become blocked by vegetation growing close to the building. This requires investigation before it happens again. The insulating of the loft has been completed.
13. Editorial for the Thurton Thunderer.
Highways, Defibrillator, Grant towards relaying village hall driveway, Dog waste notices, recycling centre, emergency plan, meeting with NCC highways.
14. Date of next meeting – 24th November 2022