



THURSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 28th January 2019 at the Methodist Chapel at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr S Yerby (Chairman), Cllrs, K Drake, S Eckworth, K Plumbly, G Pointer, C Ross.

NNDC Cllr A Green, Parish Clerk

1. Welcome and to consider apologies and reasons for absence

There were apologies from Cllr Cushing (no reason given). NCC Cllr S Aquerone had also sent his apologies.

2. Declarations of Interests and request for dispensations

There were none.

3. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12th November 2018

On a **PROPOSAL** by Cllr Eckworth the Minutes were **AGREED** and signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters arising on the Minutes (for information only), not included on the agenda

There were none.

5. Public Participation

5.1 Receive reports from NNDC Cllr Green and NCC Cllr Aquerone and Police if attending. NNDC Cllr Green advised there was little to report from NNDC because of the seasonal recess. The Clerk read a report from Cllr Aquerone in which he said he would be writing to householders concerning the drainage responsibilities along Clarks

Lane. A reduction in funding for Adult Social Care was a great concern and the proposed closures of Children's Centres. He would be asking for contacts concerning

possible sites for transmitters in the parish. The Equestrian Centre (where there was already a tall transmitter) would be advised.

5.2 There were no public present.

6. Correspondence (correspondence list attached)

6.1 Road closures were noted: North Lane would be closed from 4th February for BT duct work

6.2 Gritting of North Lane 2019/20 Winter – Clerk to write to NCC asking for gritting in 2019/20.

6.3 Receive correspondence since close of agenda

6.3.1 NNDC Housing Enabling Officer. NNDC had done a site “trawl” and written to 3 landowners and were waiting a response from Albanwise.

6.3.2 Open Spaces Survey – Clerk to respond.

7. Planning matters

7.1 Matters relating to the Equestrian Centre – concerns regarding noise. The Chairman advised that he had contacted the Centre who were most apologetic and asked to be advised should any future problems arise

7.2 Matters relating to 18 Station Road, Thursford – note owner’s intention to develop site. There was concern at the clearance of the site and the consequences of the proposed development (at this stage a development of 2 storey holiday lets in the back garden). No planning application had yet been received. Local objections had been raised and the clerk advised of the opportunity to speak at a Planning Meeting should the matter go to Committee. Noted that the developer had clear intentions of progressing in advance of formal approval.

7.3 Note planning decisions and any other planning matters

Ref PF/18/1900 Aveline Land of North Lane. Refused – Area designated as Countryside; no justification for the removal of the condition.

Re PF/18/1190 Parkside Garage Mobile Home. Permission – subject to being removed if business ever closed.

8. Financial and Governance Matters

8.1 Financial Statement for the period 13th November – 28th January 2019

The following payments had been made:

Cheque No 522 6th Dec NNDC Printing Tablet £14.99; 523 6th Dec C Rheinberg Printing of Village Christmas Card £60.86; 524 £120.00 Design Solutions Web Hosting

Noted that there would be an account to pay for a replacement pad in the defibrillator.

Receipts £52.01 NSI Investment Account (interest 2019)

Total in Bank on 14th January 2019 £8068.67. The Clerk advised that the projected balance at 31st March was £8055. The Financial Statement was noted and **AGREED**.

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8.2 Internal Auditor. It was **AGREED** to ask last year's auditor to undertake the review of 2018/19.

9. Update on St Andrews Re-development project

The Chairman advised that grant applications were being submitted and he thought the project might take 5 years to completed. Quotations would shortly be received. A Lottery application had been drafted by the Fabric Officer of the PCC and the Clerk.

10. Election date 2nd May 2019

The Clerk advised of the date of the Ordinary Election. All current Councillors would need to submit nomination forms. She would forward nomination packs when available. An article would be written in the Tablet. North Norfolk District Council was also holding elections.

11. Consider WW1 Commemoration event

On a **PROPOSAL** by Cllr Drake it was **AGREED** to investigate a possible archway with rose over the bench on the Village Green. Bench to be repaired. Clerk to report back to the Council.

12. Consider date for Spring Litter Pick and Cemetery Working Party

12.1. Litter Pick Sunday – Sunday 16th March 2019

12.2 Cemetery Working Party – Clerk to ask when work was planned on Cherry tree which was overhanging the Lychgate.

14 Items for inclusion in the next Thursford Tablet (March)

The Clerk would include an article about Dog Fouling which was particularly bad along Heath Lane. Clerk to obtain a notice from NNDC.

15. To note date of next meeting and meeting dates for 2019: Mar 25th; May 13th; Sept 9th; Nov 11th

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.02 p.m.

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Chairman

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Date

