THORNDON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of Meeting held at Thorndon Village Hall on 2 February 2017

Present: Cllr Bartlett, Cllr Botwright, Cllr Bridge, Cllr Cattermole, Cllr Farquhar, Cllr Hayward, Cllr Jenkins, Cllr Ravenhill (Chairman) and Cllr Taylor (Vice Chairman)

Also present: Mrs A Thompson (Clerk), Mr A Stringer, Mrs C Aldous, Mr B Horton, Mr M Steele, Mrs J Steele, Mr T Rowe, Mr P Sidhu, Mr S Cattermole, Mr I Baker, Mr D Youles, Mr C Muskett, Mrs H Muskett, Mr M Sillett and Mr C Brand

Meeting Opened 20.00

1. Apologies for absence and declarations of interest:

Apologies for absence: None

Declarations of pecuniary interests: None

Declarations of non-pecuniary interests: Cllr Cattermole expressed an interest in planning application 4949.16

2. Meeting opened to Public – 20.01

The Chairman asked members of the public to detail in which particular Agenda item, if any, they had an interest. Interests were expressed in planning application 4949.16.

Meeting closed to Public - 20.02

3. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of Thorndon Parish Council held on 5 January 2017

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman

4. Action Points/matters arising from those minutes

Summary of Action Points from Last Meeting					
03.10.14 - 03	Liaise with the Church re emergency provisions which can be jointly collated	JH & MR c/fwd			
02.06.16 - 02	Liaise with Peter Brook re board walk for footpath	PT c/fwd			
08.09.16 - 01	Identify landowners of blocked watercourses	RJ			
08.09.16 - 03	Seek update on Kerrison redevelopment	PB Defer to Mar '17			
06.10.16 - 01	Prepare costings for a neighbourhood plan	JH c/fwd			
03.11.16 - 01	Arrange public meeting to discuss neighbourhood plans with a representative from Mid Suffolk District Council	JH c/fwd			
05.01.17 - 01	Consider making Freedom of Information request to Post Office Ltd re mobile Post Van	PBr c/fwd			

03.10.14 – 03 Cllr Hayward advised that there was nothing to report.

08.09.16 - 01 Cllr Jenkins confirmed that Messrs J Edgecombe and J Havers, who own one of the fields have stated that George Georgiou is the owner of the adjacent ditch. They have given permission for him to undertake the necessary work to make the ditch serviceable.

06.10.16 - 01 Cllr Hayward advised that he is in contact with District Councillor G Horn who, in turn, is in contact with the relevant member of the Planning Department looking to establish what is required of the Parish Council to ascertain the potential cost of a neighbourhood plan

Meeting opened to Public 20.17

5. Reports

- **5.1 County Councillor's Report:** Cllr Stringer was present at the meeting and delivered his report, a copy of which is attached.
- **5.2 District Councillor's Report**: Cllr Horn was not present at the meeting and did not provide a report to the meeting.

Meeting closed to Public 20.25

6. Planning

6.1 Planning Applications:

- **4698.16:** Application for approval for the erection of detached two storey dwelling and detached two bay cart lodge with living accommodation over with construction to vehicular access on land off Thwaite Road Thorndon. Councillors voted to support this application
- **4949.16:** Application for outline permission to erect a detached dwelling garage and construction of vehicular access on land at Stoke Ash Road Thorndon. Councillors voted to support this application

6.2 Listed Planning Applications: None

6.3 Approvals:

- **4773.16:** Application for approval of reserved matters pursuant to planning permission 2425.16 scale layout appearance and landscaping of 2 two storey detached dwellings and associated garages on land off Thwaite Road Thorndon has been granted
- **6.4 Refusals:** None
- **6.5 Listed Building Consent:** None

6.6 Other:

• The Development Management Committee at Mid Suffolk District Council is meeting to discuss planning application **4714.16**: the variation of Condition 2 (Approved Plans) and Condition 14 (Parking/Turning provision) following the grant of planning permission **3701.15** (Conversion of Kelly House to residential use, conversion of the Old Chapel to residential use, demolition of workshop adjoining the Old Chapel, demolition of free standing workshop building and the erection of 7 new houses at Kerrison Conference & Training Centre Stoke Ash Road Thorndon on 8 February at 9.30 am at which the Parish Council has a right to speak. Cllrs Ravenhill and Cattermole confirmed that they would attend.

7. Specific Agenda Items:

 Following the discovery of Honey Fungus on trees in the Churchyard, the cherry tree has been removed and the horse chestnut tree at the end of the car park, identified as very dangerous, will be cut down on 11 February next. If any other trees are found to be under threat from this disease, they may well have to be removed as well. The Church were keen to keep the Parish Council appraised of this in case it had any specific issues it wanted to raise. No such issues were expressed.

8. Clerks Report

8.1 Financial Update: The current balance is £26,096.85

8.2 Payments to be made:

Date Rcvd	Payee	Purchase/Service	Amount (£)	VAT/IPT	Total (£)	Agreed/ Declined	Chq No. (& ref)
02.02.17	Mrs A J Thompson	Reimbursement for Dog Bin	£185.66	£37.13	£222.79	Agreed	100732 (16/17 - 40)
02.02.17	HMRC	PAYE	£51.78		£51.78	Agreed	100733 (16/17 - 41)
02.02.17	Mrs A J Thompson	Clerk's Salary & Expenses	£213.72		£207.12	Agreed	100734 (16/17 - 42)
02.02.17	Action & Play Leisure Limited	2 See Saw buffers	£74.00	£14.80	£88.80	Agreed	100735 (16/17 - 43)
		TOTAL	£525.16	£51.93	£577.09		

8.3 Donations

Councillors agreed to make the following donations:

•	Eye & District Volunteer Centre C I O	£100.00
•	Citizens Advice Bureau	£100.00
•	Suffolk Accident Rescue Service	£100.00
•	East Anglian Air Amulance	£300.00
•	St Elizabeth Hospice	£300.00
•	Suffolk Age UK	£100.00

9. AOB and Meeting opened to the Public 21.00

- **9.1** Church Warden Tim Rowe was present at the meeting and thanked the Parish Council for its contribution towards the lighting for the Church car park.
- **9.2** In November 2018 it is planned to light 1,000 beacons across the Nation to mark the end of World War I. It was agreed that the Parish Council will register an interest in this project.
- **9.3** Cllr Cattermole noted that an existing Dog Bin is in a poor condition and needs to be replaced. It was agreed to purchase another Dog Bin.
- **9.4** Cllr Jenkins has had confirmation from the Kerrison Trust that it has no objection to the erection of signs for dog walkers on its land.
- **9.5** There is flooding at Thwaite Road close to the chicken farm. Cllr Bartlett will report the issue online and Cllr Jenkins will refer it to Richard Porter. **Action Point 02.02.17 -01**
- **9.6** Mr C Brand delivered his report to the meeting on behalf of Neighbourhood Watch.

Meeting closed to the Public 21.07

10. Next meeting date was confirmed as Thursday 2 March 2017 at 8.00pm.

MEETING CLOSED 21.08

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