

THORNDON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of Meeting held at Thorndon Village Hall on 1 November 2018

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

Also present: Mrs A Thompson (Clerk), Mr A Stringer, Mr M Sillett, Mrs C Aldous and Ms J Wilson

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: None

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. No interest was expressed.

Meeting closed to Public – 20.02

3. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of Thorndon Parish Council held on 4 October 2018

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		
08.09.16 - 01	Identify landowners of blocked watercourses	Complete
08.09.16 - 03	Seek update on Kerrison redevelopment	Defer to March 2019
03.11.16 - 01	Arrange public meeting to discuss neighbourhood plan with a representative from Mid Suffolk District Council	JH c/fwd
04.10.18 - 01	Contact Wendy Hamilton e mobile Post Office van	MR c/fed
04.10.18 - 02	Contact Mr R Lockwood about the Lych Gate	Review April 2019

08.09.16 – 01 Cllr Jenkins confirmed that he has now finalised his plan of the watercourses and that whilst the issue will be ongoing the same can be removed from the list of action points.

08.09.16 – 02 Cllr Bartlett reported that the newbuilds currently await service connections and that two units are 'under offer'. The conversions are six weeks behind schedule and will be marketed in March 2019. Cllr Bartlett will refer back to the developer to remind him of his stated intention to give residents a right of first refusal.

03.11.16 – 01 Cllr Hayward advised that the Neighbourhood Plan Committee met on 29 October last when the plan proposed by the consultant was accepted. The cost of the plan will be £9,676.08 (incl VAT) of which a grant of £9,000.00 is available from neighbourhood planning. Councillors voted to support the strategy strictly subject to securing the £9,000.00 grant and confirmed that the Parish Council would meet the shortfall of £676.08.

04.10.18 – 01 Cllr Ravenhill has attempted to contact Ms W Hamilton who is away on annual leave until 5 November next.

04.10.18 – 02 Cllr Clinton confirmed that Mr R Lockwood has inspected the Lych Gate and assessed it as requiring some work but not as much as, maybe, was originally feared. It was suggested that the repair works be deferred until next spring but in the meantime pegs will be installed on which the poppy wreaths can be placed on Remembrance Sunday. This item will be reviewed in April 2019.

Meeting opened to Public 20.13

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. For the meeting.

Meeting closed to Public 20.24

6. Planning

6.1 Planning Applications: None

6.2 Listed Planning Applications: None

6.3 Approvals: None

6.4 Refusals: None

6.5 Listed Building Consent: None

6.6 Other: Following receipt by the Clerk of a letter from the Street Naming and Numbering Department at Mid Suffolk District Council asking Councillors for suggestions for road names for the development at the Kerrison Conference and Training Centre Stoke Road Thorndon, and having put forward the suggestion of Councillors, the Clerk has now received an email advising that in 2016 Mid Suffolk District Council agreed name for the street

as 'Kerrison Gardens' which will be adopted and has been finalised with Royal Mail.

7. Specific Agenda Items:

None

8. Clerks Report

8.1 Financial Update: The current balance is £30,522.82.

8.2 Payments to be made:

Date Rcvd	Payee	Purchase/Service	Amount (£)	VAT/IPT	Total (£)	Agreed/ Declined	Chq No. (& ref)
01.11.18	HMRC	PAYE	£51.78		£51.78	Agreed	100829 (18/19 - 31)
01.11.18	Mrs A Thompson	Clerks salary and expenses	£207.12		£207.12	Agreed	100830 (18/19 - 32)
01.11.18	Mr R Fiebelkorn	Grass cutting	£580.00		£580.00	Agreed	1008231 (18/19 - 33)
01.11.18		Insurance Premium	£428.24		£428.24	Agreed	1008132 (18/19 - 34)
01.11.18	Mr T Rowe	Shadow Tommy for centenary 11.11.18	£42.00		£42.00	Agreed	100833 (18/19 - 35)
		TOTAL	£1,309.14		£1,309.14		

8.3 Following the last meeting the Clerk had queried ownership of the lights at the Church car park and whether the same should be insured by the Parish Council. Councillors agreed that the same had been installed for the benefit of the community who are now encouraged to use the facility and as such the Parish Council should take the responsibility to insure the same. Councillors agreed to accept the insurance quotation from AXA on a three year undertaking.

8.4 The latest RoSPA report has been circulated to Councillors, although not all received the same. The Clerk will re-send the report which does not identify any items requiring immediate attention.

8.5 The Clerk advised on the cost of grit bins and Councillors agreed to purchase a standard 200L bin at a cost of £87.10 + VAT.

9. AOB and Meeting opened to the Public 20.47

9.1 Cllr Bartlett agreed to attend the SALC Annual General Meeting to be held on 6 November next.

9.2 Observations at the amount of littering at the cycle facility were expressed. Cllr Taylor will inspect the site and, if necessary, raise concerns with Mrs C Horton.

9.3 Complaints that young people are riding bicycles on roads around the village without lights were made. This is not a matter with which Parish Council can become involved as responsibility lies with the parents.

9.4 Cllr Bartlett questioned whether the marking of the potholes in Stoke Road meant that repairs were imminent and Cllr Smith asked whether the proposed changes to the junctions at Clint Road and 'Threeways' would be included in the work. Cty Cllr Stringer indicated that the marking of the potholes was an indication that works should be undertaken in the near future. As far as the works to Clint Road and 'Threeways' was concerned he had nothing further to add to his comments at last month's meeting when he advised the same were on the list of works but that given the priority being afforded to pothole repairs could give no indication as to when the same would be carried out.

Meeting closed to the Public 20.53

10. Next meeting date was confirmed as Thursday 6 December 2018 at 8.00pm.

MEETING CLOSED 20.54

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