

## THORNDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ordinary meeting held in the Village Hall,  
On Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2024 commencing at 7.30pm

**Present:** Tim Cherrett, Robert Jenkins, Stephen Marshall, Emma Milton (c), Jill Wilson

**In attendance:** Odile Wladon (Clerk), Claude Brande (Neighbourhood Watch), and 2 members of the public.

Item ref	Description
24.07.01	<b>Chairman's welcome</b> A reminder was given that there is no meeting in August and that the next meeting will be in September.
24.07.02	<b>Apologies for Absence</b> (a) Councillors received apologies from Joel Snape. (b) Councillors resolved to accept the apologies.
24.07.03	<b>Declarations of Interests:</b> (a) Pecuniary Interests - none (b) Other registerable interests – Cllr Cherrett DC/24/01969, Cllr Marshall DC/24/01460 (c) Non-registerable interests - none
24.07.04	<b>Dispensations:</b> None requested
24.07.05	<b>Minutes:</b> Councillors reviewed and resolved to <b>approve</b> the minutes as a true record of the business conducted at the ordinary meeting held on 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2024
24.07.06	<b>Councillor vacancy:</b> there were no applications to review
24.07.07	<b>Reports:</b> Councillor Stringer sent his apologies his reports on County and District Council matters were noted.
24.07.08	<b>Public forum:</b> no questions or comments were received.
24.07.09	<b>Planning:</b> Councillors to review and approve a response to the following planning consultation: <b>DC/24/01969</b> – Reserved matters for outline planning permission DC/21/06244. Appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the erection of 4no. dwellings with vehicular access. Hope Barn, Stoke Road IP23 8JG Clerk was asked to submit comments as follows: (Cllr Cherrett took no part in discussions or vote) Councillors remain concerned that no drainage strategy is included in the submitted documents. The area has had localised flooding and the impact of a lack of a drainage strategy concerns the Council. Councillors noted that there are already less trees on site than included in the documentation. The Council also remain concerned about the size of the dwellings which are leading to an overcrowded site. <b>DC/24/01460</b> - Councillors clarified a response re footway following reference to Neighbourhood Plan as follows: : (Cllr Marshall took no part in discussions or vote) Councillors reviewed the new documents relating to this application, particularly the engineers footway report. The Parish Council would request a site visit with the Planning Officer and a representative of Suffolk Highways to review and understand the request for a footway and how this is possible in the area.
24.07.10	<b>Kerrison Trust:</b> Savills and Lacy Scott & Knight have been appointed as agents for the sale. The estate has been split into 4 lots, or can be sold as a whole. Mid Suffolk District Council have been advised of the details. It was noted that interested parties have been invited to pre-register their interest.

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24.07.11	<b>Emergency Planning:</b> Ben Wilding of JEPU has recommended some changes. The village hall needs to be assessed as a rest centre and 1 <sup>st</sup> aid training needs to be investigated
24.07.12	<b>Finance:</b> (a) In month: (i) Councillors resolved to <b>approve</b> the following payments due in month: SALC: Planning webinars £168.00 MSDC: Dog and litter bin emptying £876.70 Unity Trust Bank: service charge for 1 <sup>st</sup> quarter £18.00 (ii) Councillors noted the following receipts in month: Unity Trust Bank: credit interest £77.00 Transfer from Barclays to Unity Trust Bank £10,000 (iii) Closure form for Barclays Bank was signed by the authorised signatories. (b) Quote to be obtained for additional frames for the SID. (c) Councillors reviewed a grant application from Friends of Thorndon Primary School and deferred a decision pending more information on whether CIL123 can be applied for from Mid Suffolk District Council. (d) CIL bids – none to review
24.07.13	<b>Clerk's report:</b> (a) There was no correspondence to review. (b) Thorndon Primary School – Councillors will be in attendance at the 150 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations and will have information and leaflets available on speed watch and new play equipment, together with a guide to the Parish Council. (c) Housing Needs Survey – a cover letter was approved. (d) CCTV Policy – Councillors reviewed and resolved to approve the amended policy. (e) Councillors resolved to rescind the scheme of delegation and further resolved to delegate authority to the Clerk to respond to planning matters on behalf of the Parish Council.
24.07.14	<b>Councillor Training &amp; External meetings or briefings.</b> (a) Requests for training – information on how to access the recent planning webinars will be circulated. (b) There were no updates on training or external meetings/briefings
24.07.15	<b>Highways:</b> A: Councillors noted updates on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Speed Watch – the scheme will be advertised at the school event with an information leaflet for anyone who is interested.</li> <li>• Lorry Watch – a new co-ordinator needs to be appointed. Cllr Cherrett will speak to the other volunteers to see if anyone is willing.</li> <li>• SID data – no information available at this meeting</li> <li>• Path near Church – will be removed from the agenda until further notice.</li> <li>• Experimental TRO in Eye – no update has been received on the timetable for removing and replacing the signage.</li> </ul> B. Councillors received other highways information as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clint Road – as camera appears on a post, unsure what it is recording or who places it there.</li> <li>• Thwaite Road – has been resurfaced, more blue markings appear to signify pothole</li> </ul>

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	works to be undertaken.
24.07.16	<p><b>Parish Council 4 year plan and PIIP:</b></p> <p>(i) <b>PIIP</b> – approved document will be submitted to MSDC.</p> <p>(ii) <b>4 Year Plan:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 16 matters identified, updates on progress to be brought to next meeting.</li> <li>• Councillor Wilson requested a volunteer to take over the painting of the finger posts as she has been unable to complete the task.</li> <li>• Councillors requested that the report on signage prepared by Scott Reagan is circulated to all so that a check can be done on what works have been carried out.</li> <li>• Councillor Cherrett will look at EV charging</li> <li>• Alternate playing field.</li> </ul>
24.07.17	<p><b>Play Equipment:</b></p> <p>Councillors noted that an order has been placed – a date for installation is awaited.</p>
24.07.18	<p><b>Meeting opened for brief matters of report/agenda items for next meeting.</b></p> <p><b>Agenda Items:</b> NSIP – proposal for 6,000 acre solar farm near to Thorndon</p> <p><b>Report:</b> hedges overhanging the pavements. A reminder to be placed in Village Life asking for owners to keep hedges cut back and clear cuttings after works.</p>
24.07.19	<p><b>Neighbourhood Watch report</b></p> <p>(i) No new neighbours, but several moves are pending.</p> <p>(ii) AGM took place on 2<sup>nd</sup> July</p> <p>(iii) New Policing model is under discussion – due to launch in April 2025.</p> <p>(iv) Suffolk has 4<sup>th</sup> lowest crime rate in UK</p> <p>(v) 2 community PCs were allocated to the area in December 2023, one position currently vacant.</p> <p>(vi) Inappropriate behaviour at the play area is being investigated.</p> <p>(vii) 2 misdelivered parcels have been correctly delivered.</p> <p>(viii) Mr Brand wished all present a happy break and thanked them for all they do.</p>
24.07.20	<b>Date of next meeting:</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2024

Meeting closed at: 8.50pm

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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