# **THURLTON PARISH COUNCIL**

# MINUTES of MEETING held 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2022 7.30pm VILLAGE HALL

#### PRESENT

Cllr. Paul Jackson (Chairperson), Cllrs. Ange Jones (Vice Chairperson), Claire Kinzel, Teresa Miller, Mick Erskine, Gill Crossland Clerk. Mr. John O`Leary to represent Good Neighbourhood Scheme

#### APOLOGIES RECEIVED AND ACCEPTED - REF 12/22/01

Councillor Barry Stone (Norfolk County Councillor), Cllr. Andy Whiting. Councillor James Knight (Thurlton District Ward) no apology received.

## DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – REF 12/22/02

Cllr. Ange Jones - Community Shop

### 1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – REF 12/22/03

14<sup>th</sup> November 2022 Minutes signed by Chairperson. **Proposed Cllr. Kinzel seconded Cllr. Miller** 

Action – Cllr. Jackson to put November minutes on website Clerk to place on Parish Council board.

#### COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLORS, COMMUNITY POLICING, LOCAL ORGANISATIONS, CLUBS, AND INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES -- REPORTS / INFORMATION - REF 12/22/04

**Good Neighbours Scheme** – John O'Leary advised Councillor that the scheme had now been running successfully for the last ten years. When the scheme started a bank account was opened with Barclays Bank from which only ten cheques have ever been written. Due to undo pressure from the Bank for continuous updates on presenting signatories' identity the scheme has decided to close the bank account, which held a very small balance, and now runs on a petty cash system. The only request is that Thurlton and Norton Parish Council's fund the annual insurance policy between them and make the payment directly. All Thurlton Councillors are in favour of paying 50% of the premium (as has been the case since the scheme started) and would be happy to make the payment. Premium will become due in October 2023. PC also asked John to pass on congratulations to those who are providing `The Warm Space` inside the Community Shop. John confirmed it was very popular. **Report from Barry Stone** was received and circulated and put on PC board

and website.

**Communication from the Allotment Association** – Damage to the allotments has been reported to Police and on Facebook. CCTV have captured three figures at 3am on the morning of the damage which has been passed onto police.

Actions – Clerk to contact Norton PC to confirm they will pay the balance of

the

Good Neighbours Scheme Insurance Policy when it becomes due. Clerk to request additional Police presence in village following damage to property.

## MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF P.C. ASSETS – REF 12/22/05

**DDA Mobility to Village Hall** – The beginnings of a group of volunteers, including Cllr. Miller who will Chair these meetings, Cllr. Whiting and Don Briggs on behalf of the dog group, have come forward. We are requesting a member of the VH Committee to join and perhaps another member of the community who would likely use the pathway for disabled equipment or children's buggies. PC Clerk will take notes.

It was decided it would be more appropriate to call this a Village Project Group going forward. The purpose of the group would be to ascertain the requirements

for the village users, the legal technicalities required and apply for grants and quotes. This information will periodically be brought to the PC as a 'one item agenda' meeting. These meetings will be in addition to PC monthly meetings. **All** decisions will be made by the Parish Council only on how the plan moves forward and how and when funding is used.

Action – Clerk to set up a Village Project Group meeting in January 2023. Cllr. Erskine to request a member of the VH Committee join the Village Project Group at their next meeting.

### HIGHWAYS/TRAFFIC CALMING/FOOTPATH MATTERS 12/22/06

Highway's have ringed potholes on Hampton Avenue and Mill Lane which indicates these should be repaired soon.

Action – None

### **PLANNING - REF 12/22/07**

Action – None

### CHEQUES/FINANCE – REF 12/22/08

- £261.67 Clerks December 2022 salary
- £19.25 50% Clerks broadband December 2022

- £9.99 Clerk printer ink December 2022
- £43.80 HMRC Clerks Tax
- £16.80 The Community Heartbeat Trust (defibrillator)

Payment authority signed by Cllrs. Jackson and Miller

## Proposed by Cllr. Erskine and seconded by Cllr. Kinzel

A VAT refund for 3 years has been applied for. Precept will be agreed on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023 meeting.

#### **ACCOUNTS – REF 12/22/09**

Bank balance as at 29.11.22 £24,838.63

Action – Clerk to make payments

Clerk to make enquiries to what level local PC`s are increasing their precepts due to cost-of-living rises.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS – REF 12/22/10**

A request for a yellow grit bin has been received by a resident from Blacksmith Gardens. There is no bin presently on site and with the bad weather, roads and paths have been treacherous.

Action – Clerk to contact Management Company of Blacksmiths Gardens to request they provide at least one grit bin and arrange re-fills when required.

Meeting concluded at 8.10 pm

# DATE OF NEXT MEETING- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023 Thurlton Village Hall 7.30 pm

Signed...... Date.....

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