

At a meeting of THORNEY PARISH COUNCIL held at the Council Chamber,
Tank Yard, Thorney on Monday 10 July 2006 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT

Chair: Councillor W VanDriessche

Councillors: Ms. M Herdman, R.M. Harlock, D. J Buddle, J.E.G. Bartlett, C. Evans
R Bevington, P. Murphy, E. Gee, M. Amps-Woodward,

Before the meeting 10 minutes was allowed for public discussion.

0 members of the public present but Mr. Shuster sent his apologies

1. Apologies

P.A. Rowe, G.A.Kilham

2. Minutes

The minutes of the previous Meetings held on Monday 12 June 2006

(copies of which had previously been circulated to all members) were signed

3. Matters arising from minutes.

3.1 Councillor Harlock chasing Birse for payment of outstanding invoice concerning
moving village sign

3.2 Preferred date from Calc for training on members interests is 6th September at
7pm

4. Visit by Phillip Eden, ACRE – Parish Plan

Unable to attend due to pressure of work!

5. Planning

11.1 Current Planning Applications

Peterborough City Council refused/withdrawn the following applications:

06/00572 61 Wisbech Road

06/00618 Land off Sandpit Road

Peterborough City Council passed the following applications:

06/00473 Priors Fen Farm, North Bank – demolition/erection of dwelling

06/00677 The Mill, The Causeway – installation of windows

The following applications were received:

06/00867/FUL 5 Laurel Drive - Single storey rear extension – no objection

06/00901/FUL White Hart Farm English Drove - Conversion of existing barns
to four dwellings - revised scheme – Councillor Bartlett took no part in the
discussion because he had met the developer – the accompanying letter with
the application was read to the meeting – no objections

06/00996 87 Wisbech Road – erection 2 dwellings - prefer pair semi-
detached – very poor access

06/00955/FUL Barns Causeway Lodge The Causeway - Conversion of
existing barn and extension and garage - still awaiting plans

06/00956/OUT The Bungalow Causeway Lodge The Causeway - New
dwelling to replace existing bungalow - still awaiting plans

06/00954/full Causeway Lodge The Causeway – Replacement dwelling – still
awaiting plans

It was noted that we are still waiting for additional plans (telephone request last week) for the 3 applications at Causeway Lodge particularly

Drawings of rebuilt bungalow: Drawings of works to cottage
Plan of barn conversion

Thorney Parish Council wishes for the above plans before they can give comments. As so much development is going on this small area the requested plans are essential.

06/00962/FUL 69 Station Road - Erection of side conservatory – no objections

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Development Plan Progress - Issues and Options Stage of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Development Plan. Representations on Issues and Options Paper 2 have been collated from a high amount of interest. The total number of people who responded to this stage of the Plan was 1,568, making a total 5,814 individual points. The next stage is to consider all of the responses to the consultation, and to take these into account in developing policies and selecting sites for a 'Preferred Options Plan'

A mineral search area is proposed for an area between Thorney and Guyhirne

6. Crime Report

6.1 PCSO Sponsorship. Meeting took place with Inspector Rogers on 7 July. Questions raised were answered and attached to the minutes as an appendix. Chairman and Councillor Harlock to meet with Inspector Rogers to agree suitable working premises and garaging.

7. Allotments

7.1 Report on Inspection given. Un-allocated allotments to be flailed and sprayed off. Some plots that are rented are in a poor state of husbandry. New agreement signed for 17 and 18

8. Roads and Footpaths

8.1 Street lighting – PCC1 still a day burner

8.2 Other roads and footpaths.

8.2.1 Fence damaged at the end of St. Botolphs Way

8.2.2 Councillor Bartlett read an email from Mark Stevens concerning the "A47" changeover to Peterborough City Council responsibility.

8.2.3 Mowing of grass verge urgently required on old A47 eastwards to roundabout.

8.2.4 Jim Steven (H.A) taken over from Mike Povey – Councillor Harlock to arrange meeting to discuss outstanding bypass issues. Don Harvey now in charge of Birse.

8.3 Road undulations in Station Road noted but considered a speed restriction measure.

8.4 As the old A47 has not yet been taken over by Peterborough City Council the yellow line markings are still operative and legal. Letter to be sent to Mr. Harris concerning vehicle parking on the yellow lines.

9. Burial Board
 9.1 Report on Inspection given. Two broken memorials to be repaired by Mr. Jary.
 9.2 Cross on top of central building to be repaired.
 9.3 Soil from graves should either be spread at the east end of the cemetery or around areas of headstones that need leveling

11. Household Recycling Centre
 Councillor VanDriessche gave an update on progress towards new skip site layout. Letter from Concrete Company complaining that vehicles park and obstruct access road to their premises. A recent incident between a Concrete Company driver and a person with a trailer using the skip site resulted in confrontation and verbal abuse.

Two letters from the Environment Agency concerning regulations and their intension for quality control on submissions. Restrictions will have to be applied to users of the site and this will lead to more confrontation.

Mike Brown, Peterborough City Council, has again indicated he wished to see the skip site only opened when the Concrete Company was closed. Chairman to reply to original letter.

It is possible that the opening times may have to be restricted to weekends only. Councillor Bartlett explained Peterborough City Council views that there should be more household recycling centres such as the one at Thorney.

12. Thorney Park
 Meeting date arranged for 17 July 3pm in the Parish room

13. Any Other Business
 13.1 Acre circulars, Harvest, Clerks and Councils Direct- circulated
 13.2 Thorney Post deadline 14 July
 13.3 Councillor Herdman requested Christmas lights on the tower.
 13.4 Councillor Bartlett explained the recent meeting concerning the grass areas and tree belts around Kingsline Close. It was suggested that Thorney Parish Council take over the maintenance of the grass areas, then at a latter stage to take over the conifer belt once this has been cut down to a level of 8 feet. Residents to apply for a planning variation order.
 13.5 Letter from Energy Saving Trust informing that they give free and impartial advice to householders on how to choose suppliers and save energy.
 13.6 Peterborough City Council Environmental Improvement Scheme 2006/7 – programme of environmental improvement. Offer of 75% of costs up to £300. Applications encouraged to help safeguard or extend habitats in line with the action plans contained on the web site
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/countryside/biodiversity/partnership
 13.7 Invitation to the Peterborough Landscape Character Assessment and Green Strategy Workshop by Peterborough City Council on 20 July.

14. Finance
 14.1 The following sums had been received:-

<i>From</i>	<i>Reason</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Anglia Reg. Coop Soc	Memorial Mr Sayles	£17.00
Abbey Memorials	Memorial Mr Abbott	£17.00

Peterborough City Council	Glass recycling credit	£61.44
Thorney Society	Room rental	£2.00
Yorkshire Bank	Interest	£3.93
Yorkshire Bank	Interest	£0.16

The following BACS Orders were paid in June/July: -

Mr. A Hovell	Isp Connection/home office	£35.17
Mr. B Lucken	Salary	£13.92
Mr. B Lucken	Petrol, mileage, etc	£40.40

Following the request for assistance from the Thorney Village Post it was proposed by Councillor Buddle, seconded by Councillor Bevington and agreed that Thorney Parish Council would contribute £250 to the printing costs of the Thorney Village Post.

Following the request for assistance from the Thorney Colts it was proposed by Councillor Amps-Woodward, seconded by Councillor Herdman that a grant of £600 should be made to encourage this sporting facility. (The Local Government Act 1976 Section 19 to provide such recreational facilities as it thinks fit and under Section 19(3) (a) a Parish Council may contribute by way of grant or loan towards the expenses incurred by any voluntary organization in providing these recreational facilities).

Following the request for assistance from the Thorney Running Club it was proposed by Councillor Harlock, seconded by Councillor Bartlett that a grant of £500 should be made to encourage this sporting facility. (The Local Government Act 1976 Section 19 to provide such recreational facilities as it thinks fit and under Section 19(3) (a) a Parish Council may contribute by way of grant or loan towards the expenses incurred by any voluntary organization in providing these recreational facilities).

The following Cheques were drawn and signed:-

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Cheque No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Mr. A Hovell	Postage, etc	001310	£19.02
Shanks Waste Services	Skip at Cemetery	001311	£97.05
Grounds Maint Services	Grass Cut Abbey	001312	£91.65
The Columbaria Co.	Sunctum Inscription	001313	£76.73
Mr. S W Tawn	Paint cemetery gates	001314	£430.00
Thorney Village Post	Donation	001315	£250.00
Thorney Colts	Donation sporting	001316	£600.00
Thorney Running Club	Donation Sporting	001317	£500.00

The next meeting will be held on Monday 11 September 2006 unless a meeting is needed in August

The meeting closed at 8.35pm