

Meeting of THORNEY PARISH COUNCIL held at the Council Chamber, Tank Yard,
Thorney on Monday 12 October 2009 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT

Chair: Councillor D. J Buddle

Councillors: R Bevington, Mrs. C Fuller, R.M. Harlock, P. Murphy, Mrs. S Selby, E. Gee,
J E G. Bartlett, M. Amps-Woodward, W VanDriessche,
Peterborough City Councillors D Sanders and R Dobbs (joined meeting at 7.22pm)
PCSO Webber for the item on crime.
0 members of the public.

1. Apologies and Declaration of Interests

Apologies for absence from Mrs. L Sheldrake, B A Ogden
No declaration of interests

2. Minutes

The minutes of the previous Meeting held on 14 September (copies of which had
previously been circulated to all members) were signed.

3. Matters arising from minutes.

3.1 Councillor Bevington has submitted a plan of the footpath proposals for the Park to
Peterborough City Council

3.2 High Trees planning application – awaiting Highways Agency response and Councillor
Bevington looking into history of the site.

4. Reports

4.1 Crime report by PCSO Webber. 34 incidents with 7 crimes that included theft, burglary
and assault.

Coral Ashton, with PCSO Webber, has looked at pedestrian access to the Park and will
give recommendations for increased safety.

There is to be a Responsible Motor Bike Riding course at Bedford Hall 30 October (4-
6pm)

Rural Crime workshop 22 October at Leeds Hall, Eye.

4.2 Bedford Hall Management Committee – Councillor Fuller – work progressing

4.3 Bus Service review –after many protests by Thorney Parish Council (particularly
Councillor Bartlett) and members of other Parish Councils the review has been put on
hold to allow more consultation. Councillor Bartlett tabled several questions that
Peterborough City Council responded to and the result was the 342 service to
Whittlesey is not now going to be axed.

Councillor Amps-Woodward said the bus service to and from Thorney should be
increased.

Councillor Murphy has asked Peterborough City Council if the number 7 service can
be extended to include Thorney.

5. July flooding - update

No response from Anglian Water despite 2 email reminders and a telephone call. The
problems within the village were again discussed.

Clerk to see if a map of the sewage system can be obtained.

6. Planning

6.1 Planning Applications outcome

- 09/00868 47 Wisbech Road – work on trees – approved
- 09/00579 and 09/00580 The Old Laundry and Stables, Abbey Place – alterations to roof and wall – approved
- 09/00938 95 Wisbech Road – 2 storey extension – with drawn
- 09/00814 The Concrete Company, Station Road – machinery for stone crushing and screening – approved with conditions of operating time restrictions and noise attenuation.

Current Planning Applications

09/0129 4 Wisbech Road - Retention 2 externally mounted cooler units and proposed siting satellite dish - no objections providing all possible measures have been taken to keep noise levels to a minimum

6.2 Other planning matters

- 6.2.1 The Park –Councillor Bevington obtaining a quote for footpath to extend from the Church cemetery, past the children’s play area and link to the footpath on the eastern side of the park.
- 6.2.2 Second letter sent to Peterborough City Council concerning the Preferred options on the infrastructure plan. Ms. Wildman is not able to fully answer Thorney Parish Council questions as Peterborough City Council are still waiting for the results of the Water Cycle Study which will provide an important evidence base for the site assessment work.
- 6.2.3 Mr. Daley has applied for listing of the Tap Room to English Heritage. He notes that as the building is over 115 cubic metres and application for demolition would need a Conservation Area Consent Approval.

7. Allotments

Many complaints concerning rent increase to £30.00 even though all tenant holders were told of this increase in July 2008. Last year’s spend on allotments was £1281 against an income of £780. Spend included water and drainage charges, administration, fence/barrier repairs, road planings.

Boundary marker posts made and numbered by Councillor Harlock

8. Roads and Footpaths

8.1 Street lighting - units already reported that needed attention

8.2 Update on Shambles Footpaths – work well underway. Additional quote obtained for the path in front Abbey Close (£970) that was not included in the original estimate. Mr. Daley being consulted concerning the removal of the stones in front of the access to Cheriton House and replace with York slabs – this would make the footpath continuous in York Stone. Mr. Bothamley said he would consider a contribution to this.

8.3 Update on Causeway Bridge – The removal of the steel barriers and replacement with Trief kerbs has been delayed because Paul Green has been unable to progress the work due to problems in the department. At this moment in time we have no start date (the original start date was August this year). Thorney Parish Council will not accept any additional costs brought about by the delay. David Sanders to liaise with Peterborough City Council and stated the work will be completed by May2010 and

there will be no extra contribution from Thorney Parish Council other than that already agreed.

8.4 Complaints of workmanship on recent repairs to Whittlesey Road. Peterborough City Council's reaction was that it was better than Buke Horn Road!

Why is the B1040 not being patched whilst it is closed?

8.5 Station Road has some severe undulations and cracking appearing in the road surface.

8.6 Lee More to be contacted about a "Village walkabout".

8.7 Hedge obstruction footpath outside 35 Wisbech Road

8.8 Rose and Crown hedge obstructing path near shop

8.9 Tree in Woburn Drive to be pruned – Councillor Dobbs arranging.

8.10 Wheely bins outside 62 Wisbech Road obstructing footpath.

9. Burial Board

Fence at Medicine Pond damaged by RTA.

10. Christmas Lights – Councillor Fuller. Contractors to install lights in December.

11. Correspondence/Any Other Business

11.1 Thorney Park Pavilion – the Thorney Colts crew of volunteers have finished refurbishing the toilet area of the pavilion, the floors, basins and pans have been scrubbed, disinfectant put into the cistern tanks and the walls have been painted. They have also put some flashing on the roof in the area that has been cut to prevent water continuing to leak into the toilet area. A considerable effort by a few has made a huge difference to the manner in which the Club is now able to present itself to visitors.

11.2 Councillor Bartlett concerned the electoral role letters not being received.

11.3 Complaints of noise from revellers leaving Ex-servicemen's club between midnight and 2am.

11.4 The bus shelter near the School, Wisbech Road was demolished in an RTA some time ago and Peterborough City Council had it rebuilt. The roofing felt has now become loose and the under boards are becoming wet.

12. Finance

12.1 The following sums had been received:-

<i>From</i>	<i>Reason</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Peterborough City Council	Precept	£27,500.00
Mr. R Patmam	Allotment rent 20	£30.00
Mr. W Allen	Allotment rent 5 and 6	£30.00
Mr. D Clarke	Allotment rent 21 and 22	£60.00
Mr. E Paul	Allotment rent 17	£30.00
Mr. S W Jeffs	Reservation of grave spaces	£1600.00
Mr. B Ewing	Allotment rent 19	£30.00
H E Bull and Sons	Inter Mr. Nutt	£100.00
Mr. L Eldridge	Allotment rent 38	£30.00
Mrs. Bradbury	Allotment rent 35	£30.00
Mr. R Rex	Allotment rent 3 and 4	£60.00
Mr. S Tawn	Allotment rent 40	£30.00
Mr. J Stebbings	Allotment rent 10, 11, 12	£90.00

Mr. S Erridge

Allotment rent 34

£30.00

12.2 The following Cheques were drawn and signed:-

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Cheque No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Mr. A E Hovell	Postage, Travel, telephone	001676	£47.98
Grounds Maintenance Service	Cut Abbey Lawns	001675	£92.00
Anglian Water	Water charges cemetery	001674	£36.76
Moore Stephens	External Audit	001677	£460.00
NALC	Portfolio return	001678	£10.25
SLCC	Training Course cemeteries	001679	£109.25
Colemans of Peterborough	Stationery	001680	£210.91
Grounds Maintenance Services	Cut Abbey Lawns	001682	£253.00

12.3 The External Audit report has been received back and as usual shows everything is satisfactory and up to date.

12.4 The collection of the waste bin at the Cemetery is now collected on a 2 weekly basis (rather than weekly) saving £214.50 per year.

The next full meeting will be held on 9 November 2009 with a planning meeting 19 October and a training session on The Power of Wellbeing on 25 November.

The meeting closed at 8.01 pm