

Meeting of THORNEY PARISH COUNCIL held in the Council Chamber, Tank Yard, Thorney
on Monday 13 July 2015 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT

Chair: Councillor: J E G Bartlett

Councillors: R Bevington, J Brooks, P Rands, Mrs M Long, Mrs D Halfhide, D. J Buddle,
D Jones

Peterborough City Councillors D Sanders

3 members of the public.

706/15-16 To receive and approve apologies for absence

Mrs Sheldrake, Peterborough City Councillors Richard Brown

707/15-16 To receive Disclosable Pecuniary Interests Declarations

To receive Disclosable Interests Declarations in any items on the agenda – none declared

708/15-16 To approve minutes of the meeting of 8 June 2015

Minutes of the Council meeting held on 8 June were confirmed and signed

709/15-16 Matters arising from minutes

Response to Rural Vision and Parish Charter – returned to Peterborough City Council and
Henry Clark

710/15-16 Public Participation and discussion

Mrs Turner read a prepared statement explaining the support she required from Thorney
Parish Council. She gave examples where she felt support should have been given and
suggested that Thorney Parish Council were supporting Cllr Simons and not the local
residents around the Battlefield live area concerning the planning contravention

711/15-16 Matters for Information and Reports

1. Crime report – – two reports of thefts from site on Gas Lane – between 3rd and 4th June
and on 25th June – between 12th and 18th June – attempt discovered to steal from
collection box at local church – between 19th April and 21st June outbuildings broken to
on Thorney Dyke – power tools – early evening 26th June – burglary at premises
Bukehorn Road

Sgt Hills writes “After much consideration, a decision has been made to suspend the local Rural
East SSN meetings (formerly panel meetings). This decision has not been reached lightly, and
comes following repeated poor attendance at these meetings by local community representatives
and residents, and replace it with alternative community consultations”

2. Bedford Hall Management Committee – AGM 16 July

3. Response from Simon Webber – ongoing

4. Health Profile 2015 – paper from Peterborough City Council circulated

It's interesting that half of the Parish of Thorney comes out as a most deprived quintile
equal to that of central Peterborough, and considerably more so than most of Eye

5. Civic Society conference – report given by Councillor Halfhide

712/15-16 Report from City Councillors

Larkfleet Homes – development land off Woburn Drive. A meeting will be arranged between
Peterborough City Councillors, local MP, Larkfleet Homes and Thorney Parish Council to
discuss the principles of the development, the layout and future proposals.

B1040 – Councillor Sanders will progress with Lincs CC concerning heavy goods traffic restrictions

Councillor Bevington said that Thorney Library was still not operational for out of hour's access.

Councillor Brown writes concerning the access road into the Park from Wisbech Road "I have been chasing the matter of the potholes with Amey for some time. I finally heard today that James Collingridge has approved the quote for the work and we are awaiting the Contractors to start to carry out the repairs. As yet I do not have a start date, but when I do I will inform you."

713/15-16 Confidential Business

"It is hereby resolved in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted at agenda item 712/15-16 namely Membership makeup it is advisable in the public interest that the Public and Press be temporarily excluded from this meeting and they are herewith instructed to withdraw"

It was proposed by Councillor Buddle seconded by Councillor Bevington and unanimously agreed to accept the above resolution

714/15-16 Finance

1. To note income and approve Payments

UK Power Networks	Wayleaves	£54.93
Mr S Pratt	Inter Mr & Mrs Pratt cr	£640.00
HM Customs and Revenue	VAT refund	£1556.48
J G Cross	Memorial	£50.00

The following Cheques were drawn and signed:-

Smith of Derby	Tank Yard clock maintenance	2035	£230.40
Grounds Maintenance Services	Cut Abbey lawns	2036	£216.00
Balans Insurance Brokers	Defibrillator insurance	2037	£75.00
Viking Direct	Printer cartridge paper	2038	£266.81

2. Monthly bank reconciliation – signed

3. Defibrillator insurance – It was agreed that Thorney Parish Council would cover insurance costs for defibrillator and the cheque for this was signed

715/15-16 Planning Approvals and Refusals

15/00737 Toilets in Park – notice concerning demolition – does not need planning consent

716/15-16 Planning Applications and other matters

1. Planning applications

OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION (REFERENCE 13/00951/OUT), WOBURN DRIVE, Larkfielt Homes writes "You may recall that outline planning permission was granted on 25th July 2014 for the construction of up to 80 dwellings on land to the south of Woburn Drive. We are writing to let you know that in accordance with the conditions attached to that planning permission, that we about to submit details in respect of the siting, design, external appearance and landscaping (the Reserved Matters) of the proposed development to Peterborough City Council for their approval. The new homes will provide much needed new housing for the local area and will include 24 affordable homes. The houses for sale will range from three bedroom through to five bedroom properties, whilst the affordable homes will range from one through to three bedrooms. The details submitted are in accordance with the approved plans".

15/000866 75 Wisbech Road – extension – no objections
15/00987 Singlecote Cottage – demolition of cottage and build new dwelling – no objections

Sandpit Road and Woburn Drive developments to be published in Thorney Post

Planning forum 22 July at Peterborough City Council offices

717/15-16 Burial Authority

Attention has been given to maintenance at American plane crash site

Cemetery inspection found that:

Gutters on central building need cleaning out, fence at far end of cemetery needs repairing, tree branches need trimming (particularly one oak), seats need cleaning and re-staining, kerbs need replacing on a grave near central building, conifer tree needs removing as it is damaging graves

Dead elm on neighbour's boundary needs trimming back so that if a branch falls it will not damage graves

Chairman to write to Mr. Lucken congratulating him on his work

718/15-16 Roads and Footpaths

1. Street light – report by Councillor Bartlett.
2. Thorney to Whittlesey Road – tram lines from Lorries causing dangerous driving for other motorists.
3. Footpath between Willow Hall and Thorney – Chairman to liaise with Lee Moore concerning getting the verges cut back as they are dangerously overhanging the cycleway.

719/15-16 Allotments

Several overgrown allotments noted. Councillors Jones and Sheldrake to judge best allotment 2015

720/15-16 Village Matters

1. Children's Centres – Councillor Bevington gave a resume' of discussions to date
2. Footpaths in Park. Completed
3. Peterborough City Council has taken the decision under "Parks, Trees and Open Space budget reductions, to an alternative regime as set out in this report. This will result in areas subject to recent investigation, namely Sugar Way, Werrington, Gunthorpe, Hampton, Stanground, Central ward, Park Farm, Orton Goldhay and Paston, moving on to the 8 cut cycle. All other sites will now be reviewed to determine the appropriate number of cuts ready for 2016". Whereas this does not at present affect Thorney .the decision should be kept in mind for the future as the cost of any deviation from the policy would be borne by the contractor.
4. Visit to Pode Hole Quarry – Thursday 16 July. Meet at quarry at 5pm

721/15-16 Correspondence

722/15-16 Matters as agenda items for future consideration

Cemetery extension

Wrydecroft Wind Farm representation

723/15-16 Any other business

Porta cabins in Park – are they to be removed

French Farm Wind Farm – decision delayed by Government

Scam letters purporting to come from Peterborough City Council concerning saving on energy bills being distributed in village

724/15-16 Date of next meeting

Meeting of the Parish Council 7th September starting at 7.00pm. The meeting closed at 8.49 pm