

Meeting of THORNEY PARISH COUNCIL held in the Parish Room, Tank Yard, Thorney
on Monday 9th July 2018 at 7.00 p.m.

Chair: Councillor J E G Bartlett

Councillors: Mrs. M Long, R. Bevington, A Butt, R. Wood, Mrs. D Halfhide, Miss S Godley,
K. Parrish, Nigel Simons, N. Potts,
Peterborough City Councillor Nigel Simons, 2 scout/cub leaders
5 members of the public,

In accordance with the provision of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, and Section 5 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information)(England) Regulations the public and press be excluded during consideration of the following items 1316/18-19 Speaking with new member applicants

1314/18-19 To receive and approve apologies for absence

Peterborough City Councillor Steve Allen, Richard Brown

1315/18-19 To receive Disclosable Pecuniary Interests Declarations

To receive Disclosable Interests Declarations in any items on the agenda – If during discussion an interest becomes apparent it is declared at that time

1316/18-19 Speaking with new member applicants

Four people have applied for two places. Two new members were co-opted

Meeting open to public

1317/18-19 Public Discussion and Scouts/Cub leaders

At this point Mrs Halfhide left the meeting

Request for taking on two allotments for the cubs, scouts & beavers. Main group to work allotment will be cubs and scouts with approximately 14 members and their appropriate leaders. Scout leaders will be responsible for actions of the members under their control and the necessary risk assessments have been carried out.

Work will mainly take place on a Wednesday.

Storage shed on site will be repaired and the rest of the equipment stored at Bedford Hall

Toilets – if necessary a toilet request will be taxied to nearest available toilet. No need for onsite facilities.

Thorney Parish Council wished them well in their endeavours.

Golf Club – two cabins now on site. Peterborough City Council Enforcement making sure planning conditions are complied with

1318/18-19 To approve minutes of the meeting of 11 June 2018

Minutes of the Council meeting held on 11 June 2018 were confirmed and signed

1319/18-19 Matters arising from minutes

Park grass cutting costs. Mr Collingridge has quoted Amey at £188 per cut

1320/18-19 Matters for Information and Reports

1. Crime report – the Police have stated that there will be no crime report in the future. They write “I am emailing to advise that I will no longer be producing a monthly Rural Crime Report. This type of engagement with yourselves will now be picked up by Sector PCSO’s. They will also be contacting neighbourhood watch coordinators and providing information to you all. The report has no real value produced so long after the event and is very timely to

produce. We will continue to work towards the force priorities which are currently Burglary, Domestic Abuse, Child abuse (including child exploitation) and Modern Slavery.

Can I urge you to sign up to Ecops if you haven't already done so, and encourage all residents to do the same? We are already posting a weekly Burglary update on a Monday giving details from the previous 7 days. This is much more timely and useful than getting a report, sometimes as much as 6 weeks after the event. <https://www.ecops.org.uk/>

2. Bedford Hall Management Committee – AGM to be re-scheduled
3. Bedford Hall working group: questions to be asked are whether or not Thorney Parish Council wish to be trustees of Bedford Hall and the pavilion in the Park. If Bedford Hall can be taken on by Thorney Parish Council will they be responsible for the whole building? Is an option to hand to a specialist committee?

Another view is that the building should belong to the community ie the Thorney Parish Council.

Fraser Dawbarn to be asked if they will clarify the lease and trustee responsibilities

1321/18-19 Report from City Councillors.

Cover during discussion under topic heads

1322/18-19 Finance

The following were received in June/July

Reserve grave space	E347	£100.00
Community Account		£3000.00
HMRC	VAT refund	£1693.17
Reserve grave spaces	E478 and 483	£1900.00
Community Account		£1000.00
Community Account		£102.71

To approve the following paid in July

Salaries		£2992.00	LGA 1972 s112, 151 / LGA 1972 s142, LGA 1972 s214(6), s215(6) Parish Council and Burial Authorities (Misc. Provisions) Act 1970 s1 / Highways Act 1980 s43, 50
Office, email and ISP payment		£70.17	LGA 1972 sections 111, 142
Cambs County Council		£553.01	LGA 1972 s112, 151 / LGA 1972 s142, LGA 1972 s214(6), s215(6) Parish Council and Burial Authorities (Misc. Provisions) Act 1970 s1 / Highways Act 1980 s43, 50
Inland Revenue		£847.10	LGA 1972 s112, 151 / LGA 1972 s142, LGA 1972 s214(6), s215(6) Parish Council and Burial Authorities (Misc. Provisions) Act 1970 s1 / Highways Act 1980 s43, 50
Glazewing	Skip at cemetery	£75.02	LGA 1972 s142, LGA 1972 s214(6), s215(6) Parish Council and Burial Authorities (Misc. Provisions) Act 1970 s1.
Concrete Company	Skip hire allotment	£190.80	Small Holdings Act 1908 s 23, 26, 42, LGA 1972 s215
Fuel and Travel	Cemetery	£	LGA 1972 s142, LGA 1972 s214(6), s215(6) Parish Council and Burial Authorities (Misc. Provisions) Act 1970 s1.
GD Services	Clear allotments	£180.00	Small Holdings Act 1908 s 23, 26, 42, LGA 1972 s215
Northborough Trees	Remove tree cut	£1500.00	LGA 1972 s142, LGA 1972 s214(6), s215(6) Parish Council and Burial Authorities (Misc. Provisions) Act 1970 s1.
Norton	Antivirus software	£84.99	LGA 1972 s111
Community Account	Transfer	£4458.76	
Scouts/Guides	Donation to sports facility	£650.00	LG(Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 S 16, Section 19(3) (

1. Monthly bank reconciliation – signed
2. It was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed that as I was the Girl Guides 65th anniversary in Thorney, Thorney Parish Council would contribute £650 to further their sporting development
3. Youth Activity in the Village - After discussion it was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed to fund the shortfall of approximately £4000 to allow the other grants that are

dependent upon the fund reaching a certain level to be acquired. Councillors Potts and Godley declared an interest and took no part in the discussion

132318-19 Planning Approvals and Refusals

17/01707/WCMM for Variation to Condition 1 of Planning Permission 12/01899/WCMM, regarding changes to phasing and restoration at Pote Hole Quarry The Causeway - permitted

18/00787/FUL for Change of use of dwelling (C3) to children's home (C2) at Thornberry Lodge New Cut - permitted

1324/18-19 Planning Applications and other matters

Letter from resident in Willow Hall Lane concerning proposed road crossing from mineral extraction site

The recent planning forum highlighted

Changes to the Planning System:

Effective Use of Land

Making more intensive use of existing land and buildings.

Higher densities in relevant areas, including minimum density standards in centres and around transport hubs, such as building upwards.

More effective use of empty space above shops.

Reallocating land where there is no reasonable prospect of an application coming forward for the allocated use.

Conversion of retail and employment land to housing in areas of high housing demand if this would not undermine other planning objectives

Ensure new development can be integrated effectively with existing businesses and community facilities (including places of worship, pubs, music venues and sports clubs) – The applicant will be required to secure suitable mitigation where a statutory nuisance could arise.

Delivery of Housing

Presumption in favour of sustainable development in relation to housing

LPAs can fix their housing land supply figures annually for a one-year period.

New standard method for the calculation of local housing need, with details in the draft PPG changes.

At least 10% of homes on major sites should be available for affordable home ownership.

Encouragement of greater use of small sites, including that LPAs should ensure that at least 20% of the sites allocated for housing in their plans are of half a hectare or less.

Consideration should be given to a planning condition that development must begin within a shorter timescale.

Planning Applications – Viability

No need for viability assessments at the application stage where developments accord with all relevant policies.

Viability assessments should reflect the Government's standardised approach in the draft revised PPG.

Viability assessments should be publicly available.

Viability review mechanisms in the draft revised NPPG.

1325/18-19 Burial Authority

Diseased Red Horse Chestnut Tree - removed

Full tree inspection in autumn

1326/18-19 Roads and Footpaths

1. Street lighting faults – to be reported.
2. Wisbech Road modifications near Gas Lane to be started 16 July

1327/18-19 Allotments

1. Second skip delivered for rubbish clearance. Third skip to be ordered

One allotment holder has spent hours of his own time sorting and placing rubbish in the skips and Thorney Parish Council is very grateful for his dedication and community spirit. A discussion took place on how to reward his labour
Allotment winner this year is number 17

1328/18-19 Village Matters

Painting gates Kingsline Close – to be chased
Speedwatch now has 4 volunteers. Being co-ordinated by police and neighbourhood watch.
Speed display screens can now be pole mounted. Company to demonstrate equipment.

1329/18-19 Youth Activity in the Village

Report given. Thorney Parish Council congratulated the youth activity committee for the grand effort they had made and the success in accumulating the funds necessary to establish new equipment in the Park

1330/18-19 Correspondence

Letter concerning smoke from a garden fire

1331/18-19 Matters as agenda items for future consideration

1332/18-19 Any other business

Following the successful Picnic in the Park organised by the Thorney Youth Activity Committee feedback was that impaired mobility persons would like extra seats in the Park near the naturally wild area opposite the children's play equipment and on the footpath that leads to Tavistock Close.

Wheel chair users are finding access to the Doctor's surgery restricted by nettles.

Two Councillors to update www.thorney.org to be compliant with disability needs and security certificated.

Date of next meeting

The meeting closed 8.46pm

Next Meeting of the Parish Council 10 September 2018 starting at 7pm