

Meeting of THORNEY PARISH COUNCIL held in the Parish Room, Tank Yard, Thorney  
on Monday 13 June 2016 at 7.00 p.m.

Chair: Councillor: J E G Bartlett

Councillors: P Rands, Mrs. M Long, J Brooks, R Bevington, Mrs. D Halfhide, D Jones, N Simons,  
R. Wood, N. Potts

Peterborough City Councillors Richard Brown and Steve Allen

1 member of the public – Mr Ken Parish

Before the meeting started, the Chairman asked if anyone present was recording the proceedings –  
no one stated they would record.

**892/16-17 To receive and approve apologies for absence**

D. J Buddle, Peterborough City Councillor D Sanders

**893/16-17 To receive Disclosable Pecuniary Interests Declarations**

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

**894/16-17 To approve minutes of the meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016**

Minutes of the Council meeting held on 9<sup>h</sup> May were confirmed and signed

**895/16-17 Matters arising from minutes**

Noticeboard – Councillor Potts suggested polycarbonate was the way forward. It was proposed  
by Councillor Bevington seconded by Councillor Wood and unanimously agreed that the  
noticeboard be repaired by polycarbonate at a cost of £198

**896/16-17 Public Participation**

**897/16-17 Matters for Information and Reports**

1. Crime report. No Police presence. –  
11th May - North Bank, Thorney – report of illegal fishing – passed to Environment Agency  
Between 29th April and 3rd May – criminal damage to shop on Church Street – damage caused  
to letter box – CF0181080516 refers • between 6th and 9th May – criminal damage at Duke of  
Bedford Primary School on Wisbech Road. Damage has been caused to cover on outside pool  
area – CF0190760516 refers. • French Drove, overnight 20th May report of criminal damage to  
vehicle – window smashed in a Hyundai Excavator. CF0210410516 refers. • Wisbech Road  
overnight 28th May – burglary reported at business premises. CF0223690516 refers • Ash Close,  
late afternoon 30th May – burglary reported and offenders possibly identified currently being  
investigated – CF0226250516 refers
2. Bedford Hall Management Committee – AGM held and agreement to install Wi-Fi to control  
the heating and give a internet service within the hall  
Councillor Potts has investigated security cameras around the exterior of the building and will  
liaise with the Chairman of Bedford Hall committee.  
Councillor Wood to ask a Police friend if they could assist with camera siting positions
3. Post Office “desk” – Post Office The desk will be operative on Monday, Wednesday and Friday

## 898/16-17 Report from City Councillors

Councillor Brown – pot holes Laurel Drive now repaired

Councillor Allen – Shrubs to be cut back access between St Marys Close/Sandpit Road.

Bukehorn Road, Masons Bridge shrubs to be cut back. Church Street reversal of one-way system – representations that this should not happen

Councillor Bevington explained the thought process behind the original suggestion. However, the narrowness of the street, with parked vehicles did not allow emergency vehicles to pass. A meeting to be arranged with Peterborough City Council to re-assess the proposals and Councillor Bevington to contact Mrs Anderson at Peterborough City Council.

Councillor Wood said that pot holes were appearing in the road at Woburn Drive since the work had started on the housing development. These holes were caused by the site traffic. He explained how he had to contact planning enforcement as lorries were queuing on the road and blocking accesses.

Councillor Allen reiterated the invitation on 8<sup>th</sup> July at the Manor Centre

Bedford Hall to be treated as a special case for its future. Report to be released from Peterborough City Council once Senior Officers have signed it off.

## 899/16-17 Finance

### 1. To note income and approve Payments

Cambridge Building Soc	Interest	£9.45
	Allotment rent and key	
Mr Riches	deposit	£25.00
John Lucas	Inter Mr Ritchie	£150.00
Abbey Memorials	Memorial Mr Knight	£125.00
Set in Stone	Memorial Mrs Dowland	£125.00
UK Power Networks	Wayleaves	£56.01

### The following were paid in June

Mr. B Lucken	Petrol for mowers and travel	£169.03
Glazewing	Skip at Cemetery	£47.14
Mr J Bartlett	Keys to Bedford Hall for PO	£14.00
Cambs ACRE	Payroll services	£64.80
TVHMC	Clean Parish Room	£240.00
Mr R Wright	Internal Audit	£250.00
Smith of Derby	Bedford Hall clock maintenance	£237.60
Mr A E Hovell	Plans for cemetery extension	£32.00
Viking Direct	Stationery	£145.98
Columbaria Co	Memorial Mr Berry	£90.00

### 2. Monthly bank reconciliation – signed

#### Provision of internet connection

It was proposed by Councillor Halfhide seconded by Councillor Simons and unanimously agreed to share the cost of an internet connection and future running costs with Bedford Hall Management Committee. Councillor Potts will investigate costs associated with this.

### **900/16-17 Planning Approvals and Refusals**

16/00557/CLP Loft conversion, replacement of existing roof, additions of two dormer windows, two additional windows to two gable ends and chimney height extended to 995mm above ridge height of roof at 16 The Maltings - granted under permitted development. Thorney Parish Council did not have any notification of the above application. The replacement of the roof and two dormer Windows would effectively make this a 3 tier dwelling. That is not in keeping with the village design statement.

16/00610/HHFUL 55A Wisbech Road - Construction of single storey side and rear extensions - permitted

16/00649/FUL Park House School Wisbech Road - Demolish derelict boiler house and erect disabled toilet facilities - permitted

### **901/16-17 Planning Applications and other matters**

15/01839 Pasture House Farm, The Causeway – mineral extraction – further information under Reg 22 now available on Peterborough City Council website. No intention to affect trees on North side of A47 although trees to the West will be affected. Agreed that too many trees are being affected and Thorney Parish Council objects to this. Councillor Bevington to inform Mr Jones at Peterborough City Council.

16/00976 Methodist Chapel, The Causeway – single storey rear extension – no objection

16/00997 16 The Maltings - single storey side extension and pitched roof to replace flat roof to side elevation – no objections

16/00780 Land to rear 8-9 Church Street - construction 2 storey 3 bed dwelling – at 1.5 storeys this is lower than previous applications, off street parking for local residents, location of dwelling needs confirming as it is in a different position on the 1:500 scale and 1:200 scale drawings, close boarded fence at site boundary seems an inappropriate material/much better if stone to match the churchyard wall.

### **902/16-17 Burial Authority**

Cemetery inspected

Planning application made for the extension. More information required by Peterborough City Council on location of existing trees within the cemetery

Churchyard – holy tree near Abbey cutting out light to eastern end and is in close proximity to the building – needs removing. It was proposed by Councillor Potts seconded by Councillor Halfhide and agreed that Thorney Parish Council would fund the removal at £588. Councillor Bartlett declared an interest and took no part in the discussion or vote.

### **903/16-17 Roads and Footpaths**

Street lighting faults – to be reported by Councillor Bartlett.

Wisbech Road bottleneck near Park Entrance – Still awaiting information from Mr Tebb. Councillor Jones suggested the road layout should remain as it is and the three cars that are parked near this point should find alternative areas to park. This would save the expense. Councillors' Wood and Rands agreed although Councillor Bevington was strongly opposed to this.

### **904/16-17 Village Matters**

Community Fund application form will be in the next Thorney Post magazine.

### **905/16-17 Allotments**

Inspection before the next meeting at 6.30pm

### **906/16-17 Correspondence**

Moving Traffic amendment 3 for 30mph limit Willow Hall Lane near junction A47

Legal notice served to alter flow of traffic in Church Street and letter from Mr Culpin that was read to the meeting. He suggested that with the development taking place in Thorney, Wisbech Road would again become busy and turning from Church Street onto it would become more difficult and dangerous.

**907/16-17        Matters as agenda items for future consideration**

**908/16-17        Any other business**

Parish liaison meeting – Parish Charter not being actioned by Peterborough City Council Cabinet. Suggestion that Peterborough City Council 3-year plan should include liaison with Parishes.

War memorial – lettering needs re-blackening.

**909/16-17        Date of next meeting**

Meeting of the Parish Council 11<sup>th</sup> July 2016 starting at 7pm. The meeting closed at 8.32pm