

Meeting of THORNEY PARISH COUNCIL held in the Council Chamber, Tank Yard, Thorney
on Monday 12 May 2014 at 7.04 p.m.

PRESENT

Chair: Councillor: J E G Bartlett

Councillors: R Bevington, J Brooks, P Rands, Mrs M Long, Mrs Sheldrake, Mrs. D Halfhide,
E. Gee, D. J Buddle, B A Ogden

Peterborough City Councillor D Sanders, 0 members of the public

474/14-15 To receive and approve apologies for absence

Mrs. S Selby, PCSO Mary Webber

475/14-15 To receive Disclosable Pecuniary Interests Declarations

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

476/14-15 To approve minutes of the meeting of 14 April 2014

Minutes of the Council meeting held on 14 April 2014 were confirmed and signed

477/14-15 Matters arising from minutes

478/14-15 Public Participation

479/14-15 Matters for Information and Reports

1. Crime report – no report

2. Bedford Hall Management Committee – Thorney Society exhibition well attended. Several daytime seminars booked

3. Footpaths in Park - meeting 8th May. Councillors Bartlett, Bevington, Sheldrake, Long and Rands met Peterborough City Council Officer Targeting Communities, Caroline Rowan, and Director for red kite (working for Amey) Nathaniel Healy.

Cllr Bevington presented the Thorney Parish Council proposals, Mr. Healy commented about costings and different types of path surface finish, about £26K is available, Cllr Bevington said Thorney Parish Council had about £3000 banked for this project. Mr. Healy said he would draw up detailed plans and costings and bring them back to Thorney Parish Council for comments.

Caroline Rowan then asked what else Thorney Parish Council wanted and Cllr Bevington highlighted a new Pavilion was urgently needed then a Skate Park.

Cllr Bartlett suggested to Caroline Rowan that she should speak to senior Peterborough City Council officers about what they had planned for Thorney.

Councillor Long explained she had seen a recent article in the local press suggesting that Thorney Football Club home games would be played on Parson Drove field whilst the pavilion is renovated to modern standards. Chairman said he would try and find out more information

480/14-15 Report from City Councillors

In answer to a question from Councillor Brooks Councillor Sanders explained the new Company the Peterborough City Council were setting up for regeneration and development of new projects.

481/14-15 Finance

1. To note income and approve Payments

Peterborough City Council	Parish Precept	£17,008.53
Peterborough City Council	Peterborough City Council Precept	£15,533.97
H E Bull and Sons	Inter Mrs Church	£90.00
Yorkshire Bank	Interest 185911	£528.00
Yorkshire Bank	Interest 180573	£380.92

The following were paid in May

The following Cheques were drawn and signed:-

Glazewing	Skip at Cemetery	001984	£46.15
Came and Company	Parish Council Insurance	001985	£747.07
Mr R Wright	Internal Audit	001986	£250.00

2. Monthly bank reconciliation – signed
3. Issue of receipts for income. With the increased cost of postage it was proposed by Councillor Buddle, seconded by Councillor Bevington and unanimously agreed to only issue receipts in future if they are requested
4. March minutes stated that Mr and Mrs Ladds made a donation of £300 to war memorial move. This money was actually donated jointly by Rose and Crown Golf Society and Thorney Branch of the Royal British Legion

482/14-15 Planning Approvals and Refusals

- 14/00166 21 Chestnut Drive – single storey side extension – appeal to Inspector
- 14/00451 Fell 1 x Alder (T1) and Fell 1 x Mulberry (T2) at Cheriton House, The Green – approved
- 14/00537/CTR Thin 1 x Lime by 20%, lateral reduction of up to 2 meters to rebalance crown At 164 Wisbech Road – approved
- 14/00400 16 Wisbech Road – replacement detached garages - approved

483/14-15 Planning Applications and other matters

1. Planning applications
14/00707 46 Topham Crescent – extension front porch and side extension – no objections.
Councillor Bartlett declared an interest and took no part in discussion or voting
2. Councillor Buddle said concerns had been voiced to him as to the safeguarding on new build properties to the Duke of Bedford School particularly to overlooking. Mr. Harding, Peterborough City Council Planning Manager to be informed of the concern.
3. Damp in the museum still to be rectified. Peterborough City Council has not responded to concerns raised by Councillor Bevington

484/14-15 Burial Authority

1. Date of inspection – 9th June meet at cemetery 6pm
2. Grass cutting Churchyard – it was agreed to continue to maintain the churchyard with a increase to six times per year for strimming (Councillors Bartlett and Gee declared an interest and took no part in the discussion or voting)
3. Review of fees – it was agreed to keep fees to present level

485/14-15 Roads and Footpaths

1. Street light – report by Councillor Bartlett.
2. Councillor Buddle was concerned about the deterioration of Whittlesey Road. Peterborough City Council to be asked to investigate
3. Road in Park badly potholed
4. Footpath/cycleway Thorney to Pode Hole overgrown by hedges and grass verges

486/14-15 Allotments

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487/14-15 Village Matters

1. Children's Centres – no update yet. Councillor Bevington gave a resume' of previous discussions
2. Replacement tree on village green. Existing tree is a lime. Councillor Bevington to liaise with Peterborough City Council.
3. Car boot sale on village green 13th July for Charity by Mrs Holmes
4. RB Legion unable to maintain American Memorial. Mr Lucken to be asked to look after it as he did in the past

488/14-15 Correspondence

Notice of uncontested election

Rawlinson's Charity Conference 10 June

489/14-15 To fix dates of future meetings

12th May 2014, 9th June 2014– AGM, 14th July 2014, No meeting in August, 1st September 2014, 13th October 2014, 10th November 2014, 8th December 2014, 12th January 2015, 9th February 2015, 9th March 2015, 13th April 2015, 11th May 2015

490/14-15 Matters as agenda items for future consideration

Review of Contracts

491/14-15 Any other business

Park Crescent – land near number 1 not maintained and has become an eyesore

Chairman said recent OFSTED inspection rated the Duke of Bedford School as good. Chairman to write to school to thank The Head, the staff, teaching assistants and the Governors for all the hard work that was done to attain the result of a "good" certification.

Children's play area in Park – shrubs to be cut back

The Chairman thanked Councillor Gee for the 41 years of service (since July 1973) he had given to Thorney Parish Council and the community of Thorney. Other members of the Council also expressed their thanks

Councillor Ogden declared his interest to continue to be a member of Thorney Parish Council.

Notice to be declared declaring vacancies

492/14-15 Date of next meeting

Meeting of the Parish Council 9 June 2014 starting at 7.00pm – meet at cemetery at 6pm for annual inspection. The meeting closed at 8.12pm