



# THURLASTON PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Thurlaston Parish Council held in Thurlaston Village Hall on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2008 at 7.00 pm.**

**Present**

Mrs M.A. Wright (Chairman)	Mr R.E. Whelband (V/Chairman)
Mr J. Smith	Mr N. Wright
Mrs K. Wearn	Mrs M. Murphy (D/Cllr)
Mrs H. Tomlinson (Clerk)	

### **052/08 Apologies For Absence**

Miss E. Harrison

Mr E. White (C/Cllr)

The meeting was held in the meeting room located at the rear of the Village Hall.

### **053/08 Disclosure Of Interest**

The Chairman reminded members of their responsibility to disclose any interest, which might be either personal or personal and prejudicial, in relation to any item on the agenda. No disclosures were made.

**054/08 Parishioner's Comments** – No parishioners were present at this meeting.

### **055/08 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

It was **agreed** the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2008.

Proposed: REW Seconded: NW

### **056/08 Report By County & District Councillor**

**County Councillor's Report:** Cllr White was not present at this meeting.

**District Councillor's Report:** Cllr Murphy gave the following report:

The Pavillion – There are lots of improvements and additional activities being provided, however people need to use the facilities if it is to continue.

Outstanding Achievement Awards – Thurlaston Parish Council confirmed they have not submitted any new nominations as there has been no feedback from previous years, on either persons nominated or criteria.

Croft Road/Thurlaston Lane – There is concern relating to water running across on the highway and the danger this may cause when it turns colder. It was agreed that Cllr Murphy would speak with Highways and stress the urgency in resolving this issue.

### **057/08 Highways**

- Thurlaston Lane – highways seeking approval for verge markers to be installed.
- Drain on Croft Rd – highways confirmed that drain is to be reset and carriageway repaired.
- Croft Rd – 11 kerbstones will be reset in the aforementioned gateway.
- Enderby Rd – The drainage problems has now been passed to the appropriate Officer for further investigation.

### **058/08 Planning**

- Members to note responses send to BDC by Clerk on behalf of PC concerning previously circulated applications.
  - None
- Members to note formal advice/decisions from BDC.
  - None
- Matters Arising
  - A Councillor raised a query on property that is currently being developed within the parish. The Clerk will check the files to see if planning permission has been obtained.

### **059/08 Recreation Ground**

- Damage to mains electricity cable – nothing to report.
- Annual safety inspection – A copy of the report was emailed to Councillors and a printed copy is in the circulation file. Clerk will query comment relating to basketball net.

- c) Damage to 2 wooden benches A short discussion was held on this damage and it was agreed that it would be impossible to decide what/who had caused this. The Clerk will email the photographs to the ground maintenance contractor for information.
- d) Wicksteed invitation to exhibition 2,3,4 September 2008 – no representatives are able to attend.
- e) Copper beech tree – REW will inspect the tree and let the Clerk know the outcome.
- f) Goal posts – it was agreed that NW and REW will liaise to make arrangements to move the goal posts.
- g) Benches – the Clerk will purchase more varnish for recoating the benches in the Park. JS has kindly volunteered to undertake this task.
- h) It was duly noted that there is a problem with non-parishioners causing problems within the Recreation Ground.

**060/08 Lighting** - Nothing to report.

**061/08 Financial**

- a) Annual Audit – the internal audit has been completed and the external audit has now been submitted.
- b) Permission to pay the following.

BDC	£ 202.10	Ground Maintenance.
BDC	£ 44.30	Dog Bin Service
Parish Audit Services	£ 140.00	Internal Audit
FIT (Formerly NPFA)	£ 35.00	Annual Subscription
Mr P. Harrison	£ 491.90	Maintenance to play equipment/entrance/bus stop
Society Local Council Clerks	£ 80.00	Annual Subscription

Proposed: NW Seconded: KW
- c) Payment received:

Electricity Board	£ 17.25	Wayleave payment.
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**062/08 Practice And Procedure**

- a) It was agreed the Clerk would invite the Environmental Maintenance Supervisor from BDC to walk around the parish.

**063/08 Current Matters**

- a) Affordable housing in rural areas – it was agreed to defer the decision until the next meeting, however enquiries relating to this project will be made in the interim period.  
Proposed: NW Seconded: KW

**064/08 Communication with Parishioners**

- a) Receipt from Church for PC donation.
- b) Response from BDC relating to parishioner's letter re: litter on Watery Gate Lane – it is understood this matter is now resolved.
- c) Clay Pigeon Shooting – It has been previously noted that there is an increase in activity. As a result of concerns the conditions of planning consent were presented at our previous meeting and it was felt that the new owners were working to these regulations and any further clarification should be sought from BDC.

**065/08 Other Correspondence**

- a) BDC Affordable warmth strategy – displayed on noticeboard.
- b) BDC Arts newsletter – displayed on noticeboard.
- c) BDC Feedback from dog control order meeting – see circ. file.
- d) BDC Standards Committee minutes and agenda
- e) BDC Standards Committee appointment of Parish/Town Councillor.
- f) BDC Annual report and performance plan.
- g) LCC Leicestershire Events Guide – displayed on noticeboard.
- h) LCC Food digester campaign – displayed on noticeboard.
- i) LCC International day of older people *Creative Age* – see attached.
- j) Leics Constabulary – Police camera initiative – see circulation file.
- k) Leics Together – Leicestershire Performance Framework – see circulation file.
- l) RCC – Evaluation questionnaire – completed by Clerk.

- m) RCC – Application to become a Trustee – see circulation file.
- n) HBBC – Local Development Framework – see circulation file.
- o) FIT – Torch Trophy nomination form – see circulation file.
- p) 4 x Journals.

**066/08 Urgent Matters**

- a) Dog Fouling – it was noted that dog fouling within the New Walk area has increased. The Clerk will speak with the Dog Warden at BDC.

**067/08 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held at 7.00 pm on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2008 in Thurlaston Village Hall.

The meeting closed at approximately 9.00 pm.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_