



THURLASTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Thurlaston Parish Council held in The Meeting Room, Thurlaston Village Hall on Thursday 28th January 2010 at 7.00 pm.

Present Mrs M.A. Wright (Chairman) Mr R.E. Whelband (V/Chairman)
Miss E. Harrison Mr N. Wright
Mrs K. Wearn Mrs H. Tomlinson (Clerk)

112/10 Apologies For Absence

Mr E. White (C/Cllr) Mrs M. Murphy (D/Cllr)

113/10 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 Councillor disclosed an interest at this point.

114/10 Parishioner's Comments

There were no parishioners present at this meeting.

115/10 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

It was **agreed** the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting held on Thursday 3rd December 2009.
Proposed: KW Seconded: REW

116/10 Report By County & District Councillor

County Councillor's Report: Cllr White was unable to attend this meeting.

District Councillor's Report: Cllr Murphy was unable to attend this meeting.

117/10 Highways

- a) Pot Holes – It was noted that Highways have filled the pot holes on Desford Rd and Enderby Road.
- b) Drains – There are a large number of drains blocked up within the parish. The Clerk will contact highways and request they be cleared.
- c) Gritting Routes – The lack of gritting on Thurlaston Lane continues to be a concern. The Parish Council will continue to request this road be included on the route.
- d) Bus Route 148 – There will be changes to the bus route, the revised bus route will be displayed on the village notice board and ask Thurlaston Online to display the amended route. It was noted that the 148 bus gave good service throughout the recent extreme weather conditions, a letter of thanks will be sent to the company to thank the bus drivers for their efforts.

118/10 Planning

- a) Members to note responses sent to BDC by Clerk on behalf of PC concerning previously circulated applications.
 - Nothing to report
- b) Members to note formal advice/decisions from BDC:-
 - Nothing to report
- c) Other Planning Issues
 - Noise pollution from local shooting ground – the Clerk will write to Mr Benbow to ask for an informal meeting between himself, the land agents, BDC and TPC.
 - Planning Enforcement – a meeting was held by Potters Marston PC to discuss issues surrounding a particular case of planning enforcement. TPC were invited to attend. BDC representatives were present and presented a verbal report on this case, however Councillors and public present voiced their frustration at the lack of progress. MAW has written to BDC to voice TPC's concerns; BDC have invited MAW to an informal meeting to discuss the matter further.
 - A number of lorries are now parked on the Old Wood yard site on Enderby Road. Maw will make enquiries about change of use for this site.

119/10 Recreation Ground

- a) Underground Cable Signs – These signs have now been passed to REW.
- b) Hedge Laying - This work will be completed prior to the end of the hedge laying season.
- c) Junior Swings – the maintenance work has now been completed by Wicksteed Leisure.
- d) Damaged Bin & Tree Seat – REW and NW will remove these items from the Recreation Ground.

120/10 Lighting:

- a) LCC Reduced Street Lighting – It was noted that TPC did not volunteer for this scheme. MAW has spoken to LCC and they have confirmed that Thurlaston is one of the first parishes to have this scheme, however it will be rolled out to all areas within Leicestershire. No additional information has been received to date. The Clerk will contact LCC and ask what options are available to reduce the lighting, timescales involved, etc. The Clerk will also request posters for our notice boards.

121/10 Financial

- a) Precept – 2010/2011 precept was discussed, It was agreed to raise it by £100 to cover increased costs. The requested precept will be £11800.
 - b) Permission to pay the following:-

Wicksteed Leisure	£139.84	Maintenance work (junior swings)
BDC	£114.52	Bin service
Clerk	£271.18	Salary
- Proposed: EH Seconded: KW

122/10 Practice And Procedure

- a) Parish Councillor Vacancy; Co-option of parishioner – A proposal has been received to co-opt Mr Trevor England to become a Parish Councillor. This was unanimously agreed and MAW welcomed TRE to the Parish Council. Proposed: EH Seconded: REW
- b) Affordable Housing In Rural Areas – The arrangements have been made for the delivery of the documentation. The leaflets will be delivered by the end of next week.
- c) Permission from the PC was given to EH to look through the legal/ruling section of the PC files
- d) Code of Conduct Training – MAW thanked EH and KW for attending the Code Of Conduct training on 11th January. MAW requested that the remaining members attend the next training session.

123/10 Communication With Parishioners

- a) Lord Lieutenants Award – The Parish Council have submitted a nomination for this award.

124/10 Other Correspondence

- a) BDC Planning enforcement training (3rd & 9th February) Cllrs previously notified.
- b) BDC War memorial playing fields – see circulation file.
- c) BDC Voluntary street wardens – see circulation file.
- d) BDC Annual parish seminar evaluation report – see circulation file.
- e) BDC Budget Survey – see circ. file.
- f) LCC Funding for rural bus shelters – see circulation file.
- g) LCC Number of promotion posters – all displayed on noticeboard.
- h) LCC 2010 Library timetable – displayed on noticeboard.
- i) East Midlands Fire Service brochure – see circulation file.
- j) RCC Village events diary – circulated to Church, Chapel, Carnival, Village Hall & Ramblers.
- k) HBBC (Hinckley Council) – Ratby Village Design Statement & Disc – see circulation file.

125/10 Urgent Matters

EH left the meeting room at this point.

- a) Printing PC Newsletter – The Chairman thanked Rev. Harrison of The Chapel for printing the Newsletter. It was proposed and agreed by all members present to give a donation of £50 to The Chapel show our thanks for their generosity. Proposed: NW Seconded: KW

EH returned to the meeting room at this point.

126/10 Date of Next Meeting

The next PC meeting will be held on Thursday 25th February 2010.

The meeting closed at approximately 8.30 pm.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____