



# THURLASTON PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Thurlaston Parish Council held in Thurlaston Village Hall on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2009 at 7.15 pm.**

**Present**

Mrs MA Wright (Chairman)	Mr RE Whelband (V/Chairman)
Mr J Smith	Miss E. Harrison
Mr N Wright	Mrs K. Wearn
Mrs H Tomlinson (Clerk)	

### **18/09 Apologies For Absence**

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

### **19/09 Opening Remarks**

The Chairman welcomed everyone present to the Annual Meeting of Thurlaston Parish Council and outlined the procedure for the election of the Chairman and Vice Chairman.

### **20/09 Election of Officers**

As required at the annual meeting, the Chairman and Vice Chair both relinquished their posts. Mrs MA Wright was nominated as Chairman for the forthcoming year and this was approved unanimously.

Proposed EH Seconded: JS

Mr RE Whelband was nominated as Vice Chair for the forthcoming year and this was approved unanimously.

Proposed: NW Seconded: EH

It was approved unanimously at this meeting that the P/C Clerk continue with the role of RFO (Responsible Financial Officer) for 2009/10. Proposed: KW Seconded: REW

### **21/09 Election Of Representatives**

Representative For The Village Hall Committee – It was unanimously agreed that REW continue in his role of the PC Representative on Thurlaston Village Hall Committee.

Proposed: NW Seconded: KW

### **22/09 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 at this time.

### **23/09 Report By County & District Councillor**

District Councillor's Report: Mrs Murphy was not present at this meeting.

County Councillor's Report: Mr White was not present for this meeting.

### **24/09 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

It was **agreed** the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2009.

Proposed: NW Seconded: EH

### **25/09 Report By County & District Councillor**

District Councillor's Report: District Councillor not present.

County Councillor's Report: County Councillor not present.

### **26/09 Parishioner's Comments**

Mr Freer had attended this meeting in his capacity as organiser of the A47 car boot sale.

Data from a traffic survey was presented to the Parish Council, which showed that there had been very little impact upon the parish as most vehicles had arrived and left the site via the A47. Mr Freer notified Councillors that he had applied for planning permission and there had been no problems with this event to date.

### **27/09 Highways**

a) The arrows on Croft Rd have been damaged – the Clerk will report this to the Highways Dept.

### **28/09 Planning**

- a) Members to note responses send to BDC by Clerk on behalf of PC concerning previously circulated applications.
- 09/0131/1/PX – Elephant and Castle, Main St, Thurlaston, Leics. Alterations include a single storey side extension, new ramped access, replacement covered way, new external doors, decking & pergola. Replacement extension flue & display of new wall mounted directional sign – TPC reported NO OBJECTIONS.
  - 09/0091/1/PX – Land east of Forest Road, Huncote. Retention of change of use of agricultural land to clay pigeon shooting ground and associated structures, earth mound and hard surfaced areas. TPC REGISTERED OBJECTIONS to this application. – see circulation file for further details.
- b) Members to note formal advice/decisions from BDC.
- None received.
- c) Other Planning Related Issues
- SHLAA Document – A copy of the Thurlaston information will be circulated to all Councillors.
  - The Chairman noted that there are still complaints being received from parishioners relating to the noise nuisance from a local shooting ground. NW reported that he will make enquiries and report back at the next meeting. The Clerk will contact BDC to see what action can be taken to resolve this issue.

### **29/09 Recreation Ground**

- a) Replacement junior and infant swing seats – these have now been delivered and will be installed in due course.
- b) Severed power cable whilst erecting marquee for carnival – a representative attended from Thurlaston Carnival Committee to discuss this matter. A discussion was held in relation to this and it was agreed that the Clerk would liaise with the carnival committee on this matter.
- c) Recreation Ground Inspection Course – to be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June at Birstall – no representatives of the Parish Council would be able to attend this course.
- d) The Clerk will make arrangements with BDC for grass to be cut a few days prior to the carnival.
- e) A complaint has been received from a parishioner. It was received earlier this evening and was therefore unable to be included on the agenda. It will be included on the agenda for the June meeting.
- f) REW and NW will arrange to remove the goal posts prior to Thurlaston Carnival.

### **30/09 Lighting**

- a) Nothing to report.

### **31/09 Financial**

- a) Receipt of external audit paperwork.
- b) Donation To Thurlaston Church – It was agreed that a donation of £450 be made for this financial year.  
Proposed: NW Seconded: JS
- c) Permission to pay:
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| Allianz Insurance | £1147.94 | Annual insurance                                   |
| Severn Trent      | £ 34.50  | Map of underground pipes                           |
| Wicksteed Leisure | £ 376.82 | Junior and Infant swings (approx price)            |
| Thurlaston Church | £ 450.00 | Donation towards upkeep of grounds & church clock. |
| H. Tomlinson      | £ 545.87 | Salary (2 months) & Back Pay                       |
- Proposed: NW Seconded: JS
- d) Clerk's Salary – The Clerk has requested that the salary be paid monthly rather than quarterly. This was unanimously agreed. Proposed: NW Seconded: EH

### **32/09 Practice And Procedure**

- a) Affordable housing in rural areas – A vote was taken on whether to proceed with the “needs survey”. The final count was 3 voted for proceeding with the survey, 2 voted against proceeding and 1 Councillor abstained. The Clerk will notify Mr Windley and Mr Jones that the Parish Council has voted in favour of the survey.
- b) Notice of election on 4<sup>th</sup> June – the posters are displayed on the parish noticeboards.
- c) Review of Standing Order – this document was reviewed and it was agreed there were no amendments to be made at this time. Proposed: EH Seconded: REW
- d) Review of Risk Management Policy Statement – this document was reviewed and it was agreed there were no amendments to be made at this time. Proposed: NW Seconded: EH
- e) Review of Freedom of Information Policy – this document was reviewed and it was agreed there were no amendments to be made at this time. Proposed: EH Seconded: NW

- f) Christmas Tree – suggestion of planting a tree – it was agreed this would not be feasible.

**33/09 Communication With Parishioners**

- a) Advice Sought By Parishioner – A parishioner recently asked the Parish Council to provide assistance, this was provided and the issue has now been resolved.

**34/09 Other Correspondence**

- a) Leics Constabulary – street pastors – copied to Thurlaston Church & Thurlaston Chapel.
- b) BDC – Primary Schools Respect Campaign – see circulation file.
- c) BDC – Real nappy day – poster displayed on noticeboard.
- d) FIT – Notice of AGM – Kenilworth, Warks. 2.40pm on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2009.
- e) RCC – Village Events & Guided Walks – see circulation file.
- f) 6 other journals.

**35/09 Urgent Matters**

To consider any urgent matters raised by members and accepted by Chairman.

**36/09 Date Of The Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2009.

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There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 9.10 pm.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_