

# THROWLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING IN THE VILLAGE HALL  
ON MONDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2014 at 7.30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. David Hatton (Vice Chair) Jon Bell, Julian Edwards,  
David Jordan, Roger Paul and Colin Pound, Post Office

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllrs Jackie Crawford (Chair), Paul Ridgers, Park Ranger Ian Brooker

**DISCUSSION WITH COLIN POUND** of the Post Office, Truro re. Throwleigh Post Office which was closed on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2013. It was confirmed and agreed that the villagers wanted to keep the post office which also offered a community facility. Mr. Pound outlined the problems encountered to date with regard to an alternative location, cost of phone line and postmaster to run the service together with alternative mobile unit which had no further capacity. Following discussions it was agreed that the new postmaster from Moretonhampstead with whom he had a meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> March might be a possibility or the postmaster from South Zeal which would require further investigation. It was agreed that he would keep the Cllrs. updated and come back with further news in the near future.

**MATTERS RAISED BY PARISHIONERS:** None

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** These have been previously circulated and were signed by the Vice Chair as a true record.

**MATTERS ARISING:** None other than those raised under the various headings

## **PLANNING:**

Removal of condition relating to removal of occupancy restrictions on Kitson View and Prairie Cottage Murchington. Refused. Circulated.

Proposed agricultural building Mount Pleasant, Murchington. No objection. Granted. Circulated.

Application for Certificate of Lawfulness for extensions to existing dwelling house at Wyndhurst, Throwleigh. Circulated. No objection/neutral view. Granted.

Outline planning application for agricultural worker's dwelling at Part Moor Farm, Throwleigh.

Circulated. Site visit arranged following which it was agreed to support application.

Email from James Aven re. sheds at Clannaborough Cottage. Circulated. It was agreed that in order to avoid a precedent being set, James Aven should request that either these be moved to the rear or a planning application submitted.

Consultation from DNPA re. "Affordable Housing in Dartmoor National Park" Supplementary Planning Document. Circulated and noted.

## **FINANCE**

Balance of current account £2,470.09 , business reserve account £650.26 and emergency account £281.04

To pay clerk's salary £329.20 and expenses £8.82. Total £328.02

Parish precept requirement for 2014/15 submitted for £3,312 (1.99% increase)

Email received from WDBC confirming Council Tax Referendum principles; that the limit has remained at 2% and that the principles do not apply to Towns and Parishes for this year. Circulated. Information received from DALC confirming this but also stating principles may be applied in 2015/16 to larger town and parish councils. The statement also reiterated the Minister's expectation that Council Tax Support is passed on to parish councils.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) Various correspondence, agenda and minutes of Mortonhampstead Prospective Health Hub meetings circulated. Details required for Throwleigh/Murchington person to act as Parish Council's representative for communications so that as wide as possible circulation of questionnaire "healthypeopleorton.co.uk" is completed and returned. It was agreed that Julie Macey should be the council's representative and that Cllr. Hatton and she would meet shortly to gather as many locals' email addresses as possible.

## **REPORTS**

None

## PARISH MATTERS

- (a) Throwleigh Post Office (see over)
- (b) Devon mobile library service timetable circulated and noted.
- (c) Letter from Mrs. Dickson re. tree at Old Rectory circulated and noted. No action required. Review to take place when tree in full leaf.
- (d) Throwleigh Centre. Email from DCC confirming still awaiting response from C.C. circulated and noted.

## ROADS

- (a) Request from resident in Shilstone Lane for sandbags as water coming off road into her porch. Cllr Edwards kindly supplied and Cllr. Paul report to Highways that dropped kerb required raising.
- (b) Clerk reported to Highways attention required to:-
  - i. Road from Higher Murchington to Wonson
  - ii Road from Barrow Way Cross to Forder Bridge/Aysh
  - iii Flooding at Monk's Withecombe (highways already aware)  
Steve Dawe confirmed will investigate and has more latterly confirmed that they will be added to list they are working to.
- (c) Various emails from SWH/DCC regarding postponing and more latterly suspending lengthsman's visits for the rest of the financial year and works to the road at Way Down to Monk's Withecombe/Chagford so that they can concentrate of potholes and storm damage. Circulated and noted.
- (d) Cllr. Bell confirmed still flooding at Monk's Withecombe and road out of Murchington to Aerial mast collapsing ¼ mile out of village. Clerk to report to Highways.

ANY OTHER MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION. None

Next meeting – Annual Meeting – 7<sup>th</sup> April



