

THROWLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING IN THE VILLAGE HALL
ON MONDAY 7th January, 2013 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. Jackie Crawford (vice chair) Julian Edwards, Dave Hatton, Dave Jordan
Clerk in attendance: Julie Macey

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr. Peter Bennett, Cllr. Roger Paul, Cllr. Duncan Vincent, Cllr. Paul Ridgers, Park Ranger Ian Brooker

MATTERS RAISED BY PARISHIONERS: None

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

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

PLANNING:

Murchington Conservation Area. Proposed tree works at St. Olaves Cottage. Supported.
Listed Building Application to install replacement timber windows at Waye Farm, Newton Abbot. Supported.
Request to attend planning meeting at DNPA re. Monks Withecombe noted.

FINANCE:

As at 30th December current account balance £2,642.51, business acc. £649.86, emergency account £280.85.

Draft budget shows estimated c/f of current account balance as at 31.3.13 of £1,567.59

To pay SLCC subscription £75, donation to WD CAB £100 and clerk's salary £296.10 plus expenses £8.82. Total £304.92.

Signed dispensation request forms collated from all councillors. These are general dispensation forms to enable Councillors to speak and vote at meeting regarding setting the council tax and precept valid up to end of May 2015.

Discussions took place in respect of various correspondence circulated, draft budget for 2013/14 and precept to be returned to WDBC by 1/2/2013. It was agreed to reduce the precept by £32 to £3,286 for the forthcoming year.

Cllr. Crawford questioned why the draft budget did not include for any increase in the Clerk's salary for the forthcoming year. Clerk to check with SLCC and report back accordingly.

CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Letter and questionnaire/review of the enforcement service provided by DNPA circulated. It was noted that this is to be returned by 7th February and agreed that Cllr. Bennett be best placed to complete the form.
- (b) Invitation from WDBC to attend surgery re. localism strategy circulated and noted.

REPORTS

None. Cllr. Hatton confirmed that he had not received any documentation following the Forum Meeting.

PARISH MATTERS

- (a) Free computer training article sent to Parish Magazine for February/March edition. Cllr. Edwards confirmed that to date he had been contacted by three interested parties with the first session next week.
- (b) Sale of Throwleigh Centre. Discussion took place on the interpretation of sale of rural asset and proposal of proceeds being transferred to rural town. Cllrs. were totally against the principle of this. It was agreed that the Clerk wrote to Cllr. McInnes confirming that whilst they had not been informed formally, if this was the case. they would wish to make representations at the appropriate time. It was the only public building in the parish.
- (c) Parish Paths Partnership Scheme. Correspondence from WDBC re. offer of financial assistance circulated. Cllr. Paul confirmed work undertaken by ranger Ian Brooker and him.

- No action necessary.
- (d) WDBC request for names of properties that have suffered or were at risk of flood and offer of sand bags. 100 sand bags ordered and it was agreed that these would be kept at the village hall.
 - (e) Discussion took place in respect of the revised timetable for the 510 bus service and the changes in the route to bypass the villages. A draft letter was agreed to be sent to the Managing Director of Western Greyhound with copies to Cllr. James McInnes and DCC Principal Transport Co-ordinating Officer.

ROADS

- (a) Notification of road closure for cattle grid works at Moortown Farm on 14th December circulated and noted. Cllr. Jordan pointed out that following the works it was very noisy when crossed by vehicles.
- (b) Confirmation that drainage work completed at Monks Withecombe and resurfacing will take place in January noted.
- (c) Confirmation from Cllr. Paul that Commoners Association and Duchy have agreed to drainage works at Aysh Green to be carried out asap. To date no work has taken place.
- (d) Cllrs agreed that a great deal of the drainage work had been carried out in respect of items on list given to Steve Dawe. Cllr. Jordan however reported that no work had been carried out to the road between Torhill and Waye Farm and the very poor state of repair of the road. Cllr. Jordan requested that the clerk bring this to the attention of Steve Dawe.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 11th March 2013 at 7.30 p.m.

