

THROWLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING IN THE VILLAGE HALL
ON MONDAY 7th SEPTEMBER, 2015 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllrs. Jackie Crawford (Chair). David Hatton (vice chair), Jon Bell, , Julian Wisniewski and Ann Warwick Oliver
Clerk: Julie Macey

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllrs. Paul Ridgers, David Jordan, Duncan Vincent and Park Ranger Ian Brooker.

MATTERS RAISED BY PARISHIONERS: None

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

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

PLANNING:

Grant of conditional planning permission for agricultural field shelter at Higher Burrows. Granted. Circulated and noted.

Refusal of planning permission for metal storage container, North Wonson Farm. Circulated and noted.

Proposed pollarding of elm tree at Wayside, Throwleigh. Circulated and noted.

Proposed felling of two cypresses on boundary at St. Olaves Cottage, Murchington. Circulated and noted.

Complaints from users of footpath no. 9 behind Throwleigh Church regarding realignment of fence along southern boundary. It is understood that such a realignment would require planning permission and that it is unlikely that such an application would receive the support of DNPA. It is also understood that DNPA have written to the owners of Church House advising them of this and section 143 of the Highways Act, requesting that they move the fence which is obstructing the public right of way within one month.

FINANCE;

As 1st September current account £2,838.20 business account £650.83 and emergency account £281.25. To pay Throwleigh Village Hall £85, Hawthorn's Accounting £50, PCC Burial Grant £330, Providence Methodist Chapel £110, Clerk's salary £303.41 plus expenses £8.35 total £311.76.

CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Agenda for DNPA Forum held of 15th July. Circulated and noted. Cllr. Hatton confirmed he attended the Forum and that his presentation on the relocation of the post office to the Church had been well received.

(b) Minutes of Eastern Link meeting on 25th June and agenda for meeting on 3rd September together with crime figures and request for questions to be put to Tony Hogg, Devon and Cornwall's crime commissioner at Super Links meeting on 24th September circulated and noted. Cllr. Crawford confirmed that she would try and attend Super Links meeting.

(c) Letter from Head of Planning DNPA confirming good response to Planning Advice seminar to be held sometime in the autumn. Circulated and noted.

(d) Invitation to South Tawton Parish Council to Beating of the Bounds on 30th August. Circulated and noted that may be postponed in light of weather conditions.

(e) Confirmation of WDBC training event on 1st September circulated and noted. Cllr. Ann Warwick Oliver attended and confirmed that the event had been useful although she felt financial overview at the end could have been more detailed. Presentations to be circulated shortly.

(f) Invitation from DNPA to attend Connecting Dartmoor and Exmoor (superfast broadband) meeting on 16th September, Circulated and noted.

REPORTS

None

PARISH MATTERS

(a) Confirmation from Ian Brooker that footpath at Higher Burrows was cleared by Bob Haworth on 11th July. Circulated and noted.

(b) Reminder from DCC requesting confirmation of account for proceeds of sale from Throwleigh

Centre, Update received from Gay Hill confirming awaiting account to be opened. It will then be necessary to obtain Charity Commissioner's approval. Circulated and noted.

(c) Email from Recycle Devon asking advice for distribution of leaflets and letter box stickers to Assist in stopping unwanted mail and phone calls. Circulated and response requested. It was agreed that inclusion in Parish Magazine a possibility and clerk to reply accordingly.

(d) Cllr. Warwick Oliver outlined the success of the sheep shearing event held on the bank holiday weekend when £450+ was made from the sale of teas and cake. Mr. Alford had brought up the possibility of a donation of some of the proceeds of the event towards the acquisition of a defibrillator for the parish. Clerk to carry out some research as to costings.

ROADS

(a) Various notices and correspondence re. closure of road from Clannaborough Cottage to Ash Bridge Cross from 8th October to 26th October for works to fibre network and also closure of road past Aysh Farm between 7th to 9th September for drainage works. Circulated and noted.

(b) Request from Cllr. McInnes to advise Steve Dawe if parish requires more salt which is free this year. Circulated and noted. Clerk to ascertain whether request applies to salt bins etc., or to supply for salt spreader.

(c) Cllr. Crawford requested that Snow Warden scheme and rota for salt spreader be discussed at next meeting.

(d) Confirmation from DCC that they will be holding two Parish conferences for matters relating to roads etc., on 14th and 21st October. Circulated and clerk requested to ascertain venues.

(e) Confirmation from DCC re, new structure for Neighbourhood Highway Group where Steve Dawe remains our representative.

(f) Clerk to ascertain from Steve Dawe when gulleys etc., were to be cleaned in readiness for the winter.

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Cllr. Wisniewski confirmed request by several parishioners for an additional notice board for announcement of parish events. Various locations were discussed. Richard and Linda Playle from the Orchards to be approached.

Date of next meeting : 2nd November, 2015 at 7.30 p.m.