

# THROWLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING IN THE VILLAGE HALL  
ON THURSDAY, 1<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2014 at 7.30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. Jackie Crawford (Chair). David Hatton (vice chair), Jon Bell, and Roger Paul  
**Clerk:** Julie Macey

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllr, Duncan Vincent, Cllr. Paul Ridgers and Park Ranger Ian Brooker.  
Letter of resignation received from Cllr. Edwards who has moved to Moretonhampstead and request for person to be found to hand over maintenance of Parish website which he will continue to maintain in the interim. Cllrs. wished to record a note of appreciation and thanks for Cllr. Edwards commitment and hard work during his period as councillor.

It was agreed that the clerk place an advert in respect of the web site in the Parish magazine and on notice boards. As a fall back position it may be possible to include Throwleigh web site on Beacon Villages. With regard to the appointment of a new councillor, several names were put forward for further discussion.

**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:**

Application for construction of side extension at The Hollies, Throwleigh. Circulated and supported. Permission granted.

Application for erection of agricultural livestock building at North Wonson Farm, Throwleigh. Circulated. No objection subject to conditions. Granted subject to conditions.

Confirmation from DNPA that they will not protect the tree at Church House, Throwleigh. Circulated and noted.

## **FINANCE;**

As at 1<sup>st</sup> August current account £2,727.15, business account £650.42 and emergency account £281.10. To pay clerk's salary £297.92 plus travel expenses £8.82 and printer ink £32.94. Total £339.68.

Notification received from Grant Thornton (external auditor) that accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014 have been approved.

Notification from WDBC that deadlines for TAP funding 21<sup>st</sup> August and 6<sup>th</sup> November circulated and noted.

To pay burial grant and Methodist Church.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) Email from DNPA setting out details of two grants in 2014/15 The Dartmoor Fund (£75K) to be available for projects which help sustain the natural beauty etc., of the Moor and the Dartmoor Communities Fund (£36K) to support capital projects that ensure the long term viability of existing community facilities. Circulated and noted. It was confirmed that the village hall would be making an application.
- (b) Email from DNPA confirming that Mr. Peter Harper was elected chairman and Mr. Maurice Retallick, vice chairman. Mr. James McInnes and Phillip Vogul were elected chairman and vice chairman of the Development Management Committee. Circulated and noted.
- (c) Results from DNPA re. planning user satisfaction survey. Circulated and noted.
- (d) Various correspondence including apology in respect of the Ten Pub Walk in July and the unruly behaviour of a small minority of participants. Circulated, noted and Cllr's comments forwarded to the organisers.
- (e) Chagford Business Premises Survey to ascertain demand for business space in the area. Circulated and noted.
- (f) Agenda for Eastern Links meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> September and LAG report circulated and noted.

## REPORTS

None

## PARISH MATTERS

- (a) Confirmation from DCC that bus service 670 will be operated by Redwood's Coaches from 28<sup>th</sup> July circulated and noted. No response from Cllr. McInnes as to continuation of this service.
- (b) Throwleigh Post Office: Survey carried out. Offers received to provide labour to dig trench. Specification awaited together with Church's permission.
- (c) Email from Peter Shields, membership secretary of Friends of Chagford Library requesting support for the library. Parish council has already submitted support on DCC website Tough Choices. Mr. Shields has confirmed that this is sufficient and will refer to this. Circulated and noted.
- (d) Broadband:  
Various emails regarding this and suggested direction to website [www.connectingdevonandsomerset.co.uk](http://www.connectingdevonandsomerset.co.uk) for current information on rollout from which it can be seen that Throwleigh is now out of the programme until 2017 and beyond. In the light of this and information received from BT Openreach employees working on cabinet near Ash Bridge in preparation for superfast broadband, the Clerk was asked to clarify the position with Cllr. Sheldon.  
Included in the papers for the Eastern Links meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> September are details of the Rural Open Sure Signal from Vodaphone to be discussed at the meeting together with application pack. Cllr. Paul confirmed he would study the application pack prior to commenting. Cllr. Paul also agreed to take Cllr. Edwards place as Throwleigh 'champion' in respect of broad band matters and link to Cllr. Sheldon of WDBC. Clerk to advise Cllr. Sheldon accordingly.
- (e) Throwleigh Centre. No further news other than possible interest being shown, Cllr. Bell to follow up with DCC notice on village hall notice board confirming possible sale.

## ROADS

- (a) Invitation to Devon Highways Parish and Town Council conference on 17<sup>th</sup> September focussing on community self help on highway works. Circulated and agreed Clerk would attend.
- (b) Guidance notes and details of Road Warden Self Help scheme which were included in Eastern Links meeting notes and will be discussed at Highway Conference. It was agreed that the Clerk would report back on these after the conference on the 17<sup>th</sup>.
- (c) Notification of road closure Chapple Cross to Blackaton Cross on 11<sup>th</sup> August circulated and noted.
- (d) No response from Steve Dawe re. road from Forder to Higher Shilstone.

## ANY OTHER MATTERS

Email from WDBC re. amendments to Members Code of Conduct which have been introduced. Throwleigh's Members code is based on WDBC's code and adopted versions shown on parish council's web site. Circulated and agreed that amendments to code would be adopted and web site amended accordingly.

Date of next meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2014



