

THROWLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING IN THE VILLAGE HALL
ON MONDAY 9th May, 2016 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllrs. Jackie Crawford (chair) David Hatton (vice chair), Duncan Vincent and Ann Warwick Oliver

Clerk: Julie Macey

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllrs. Jon Bell, David Jordan, Paul Ridgers and Ian Brooker

ELECTION OF CHAIR/VICE CHAIR: Cllrs Jackie Crawford and David Hatton proposed and seconded Jon Bell as Chair. Cllrs. David Hatton and Ann Warwick Oliver proposed and seconded Jackie Crawford as Vice Chair.

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:

Erection of timber conservatory together with new low wall at St. Olaves, Chagford withdrawn. Circulated.

Application for internal alterations and replacement windows, Waye Cottage, Chagford approved. Retrospective application to close in and make changes to north elevation of existing agricultural store, North Wonson Farm, Throwleigh. Granted and circulated.

Listed building application to create opening at first floor level between bedroom and bathroom to create ensuite at Waye Farm, Chagford. Supported, circulated and granted.

FINANCE;

As at 1/4/16 current account £2,389,89, business account £650.04 and Emergency account £281.32. The accounts for the year have been prepared, internal audit carried out by Helen Chapman and circulated. They show that we kept within budget in the year and made savings in respect of clerk's salary, insurance and accounting fees but overspent by £17.84 on general expenses. The chair read out the governance statement and all agreed council in accord with this. The chair signed the governance section (minute 9516). The accounts were then approved and signed by the chair (minute 10516) The accounts will be put on parish web site with confirmation that they are draft until approved by external auditor and an inspection notice in accordance with procedure displayed. To pay: Helen Chapman £45 for audit and clerk's fees £390.10 plus expenses £398.45. Clerk to organise Cllr. Bell to become a signatory to the accounts.

CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Minutes of Eastern Links meeting on 3rd March. Circulated and noted.
- (b) Devon Association of Smaller Councils. Minutes of meeting held on 9th March. Circulated and noted.

REPORTS

None

PARISH MATTERS

- (a) Request for funding from Chagford Cricket Club for support to Chagford's Youth Cricket Schools programme which covers South Tawton, Spreyton, North Tawton and Chagford Primary Schools. Circulated. Clerk to respond that unable to assist as no allocation of funds in budget.
- (b) Superfast Broadband. Confirmation from DCC that cabinet no. 3 now live and businesses and homes in postcodes set out should now contact ISP provider to see whether they can connect to it. Details of broadband voucher scheme for those unable to receive broadband speeds over 2Mbps which offer up to £500 to fund the installation of a new broadband connection. This offer is valid until March 2017. This service guarantees a minimum of 10 Mbps download speed. The provider for the National Park is Airband.

Update received and circulated from Connecting Devon and Somerset confirming that by the end of May a specific map of Dartmoor which will be at a premise level will be available. This will show the anticipated reach of the Airband wireless signal using a heat map. Planning permission for pole at Buttern, Gidleigh withdrawn. Other site being investigated. Clerk to meet with surveyor from Airband later in week to explore possibility for Throwleigh.

Synopsis of above to be placed on parish web site.

- (c) Defibrillator: Confirmation from BT that now ready to proceed with sale of phone box for £1, Contract received and circulated. Councillors agreed to study this in detail and comment via email. Points to be addressed type of defibrillator, supplier, cabinet locked or unlocked, electrician (cost?) supplier to ensure it is supported by local ambulance service, provision of sign, awareness training session, person/s to carry out weekly/monthly check once installed and record results, add defibrillator to parish insurance policy, add cost of annual awareness training sessions to next year's budget. Clerk to forward check list.
- (d) Throwleigh Centre. Trust fund and monies should be sorted out by August.

ROADS

- (a) Invitation to Highway's conference on 16th March circulated and noted.
- (b) Notices of road closures: Chapple Cross to Blackaton Cross 21st March; Murchington Cross to Woodlands Farm 16th May. Circulated and noted.
- (c) Reinstatement of road signs. Confirmation from Cllr McInnes that these should be dealt with this year. Confirmation from DNPA that making progress with DCC with regard to repair and policy going forward. It was agreed that more signposts were falling down and that it was only the wood in the ground that was rotten.

ANY OTHER MATTERS: None

Date of next meeting 4th July 2016