

THRUXTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7th DECEMBER 2022

Present: Cllr P Christie (Chairman), Cllr J Davis (Vice Chairman) Cllr Mrs P Harris, Cllr Mrs J Graham & Cllr W Odling.

In attendance:

Mrs H Bourner – Clerk
2 members of the public

1) Apologies for Absence.

Apologies for absence had been received from TVBC Phil Lashbrook, Cllr R Munday & Cllr J Durant.

Public Participation

2) There were no questions from the members of public present.

Declarations of Interest

3) Cllr Odling declared an interest in a planning application at his property.
All councillors present confirmed that no changes to register of interest forms were required.

Minutes

4) **Resolved:** The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd November were confirmed as a correct record and will be signed by the Chairman. Proposer Cllr Davis, seconded Cllr Graham All in favour.

Specific Reports

5)

Cllr Munday- (environment) was not present but had confirmed by email he was continuing to work on his reports and will provide an update at the next meeting.

Cllr Christie (Roads & footpaths) confirmed Cllr Donnelly had followed up with HCC the serious flooding at the junction of Wiremead Lane and Amesbury Road which resulted in a crew clearing the drains and the culverts. Only after some rainfall will it be possible to assess if this has helped.

Cllr Donnelly was also asked to assist with ways of discouraging lorries coming through village when not necessary. He has contacted Hants Highways but their response was negative. The discussions will however continue in 2023.

Cllr Durant – See item 8

Cllr Harris (social concerns) had nothing to report.

Cllr Graham (Children & Mandy Garden) – Confirmed work to clear the stream bed had been carried out. A large collection of waste needs to be removed. The Clerk will ask Ray Welch to assist with this.

Play area safety checks – Cllr Odling had circulated his report of the play area checks. Work is required to repair the fence and to the fall matting. A small repair is required to the trim trail and treating the wood on the timber slide structure needs to be done now. There are also some bolts missing. Cllr Odling will carry out these repairs and look at replacing bushes on the swings. It was agreed to plan to replace the matting in the spring and, in the meantime, a quote for this work will be obtained from Ray Welch.

Village Green Maintenance

6) The Clerk had revised the contract as discussed at the November meeting. There were some small corrections to make but all agreed the wording of the contract. The Clerk will arrange for this to be signed by the contractor for the 2023 season.

Update on St Johns Lane

7) The Clerk confirmed she had contacted three contractors for quotes to carry out work to

St Johns Lane. Details will be circulated by email if received before the next meeting.

Some of the trees by the SSE substation at the end of the lane have been cut back. Three conifers were removed but a fourth left along with an elder tree that intertwined with this. As the Parish Council had agreed to remove all the conifers the Clerk had obtained a quote for £820.00 to remove the remaining conifer and elder which was discussed. The feeling was this was expensive and The Clerk was asked to obtain alternate quotes.

Potential speed signs around the village

8) The Clerk had circulated details of the costs to fit new posts to the five sites agreed as suitable to start the process. The total costs to HCC were £657.56 which was agreed. The Clerk will arrange for the work to be carried out.

Six volunteers had stepped forward to help move the machines around and gather data. Machines will be purchased early in 2023 once dates for the post installation are known.

Street Light Maintenance

9) The Clerk provided details of a quote obtained to repair the street light opposite Cottage Croft. The lamp needs to be changed and the timer reinstalled. The costs of £258.73 were agreed. The Clerk will arrange for the work to be carried out.

County and Borough Councillors' Report

10) HCC Cllr Chris Donnelly was not present but had circulated a report which has been circulated to all Councillors.

TVBC Cllr Phil Lashbrook was not present.

Thrupton Circuit Dates 2023

11) Cllr Christie reported a meeting of the Thrupton Preservation Society had agreed the dates for meetings in 2023. Details will be published in the next newsletter and on the website.

12) Finance

To note the bank balances as at 30/11/2022

Lloyds £30919.96

United Trust Reserve £13723.83

HSBC -£16.20

ii) To approve the following payments and authorise online transactions: -

H Bourner salary	£468.00
H Bourner exp.	£18.00
Thrupton Memorial Hall	£26.00
Taits	£52.00
Southern Electric DD	£52.85
MWU Tree Services	£1356.00

Payments in advance

January Clerks Salary £468.00, newsletter printing costs £52.00

iii) Change of bank account

The Clerk confirmed she had written a letter of complaint to HSBC after receiving a statement showing continuing charges despite having sent a letter to close the account. A reply is awaited.

Planning

13) The following decisions by TVBC were noted:

22/02379/FULLN demolition of pool house, erection of detached garage with ancillary accommodation in roof space - permission

Resolved: that the planning advisory committee's approval on the following applications were endorsed:

22/02875/LBWN replace all windows and insulate attic- George Cottage- no objections

22/03027/FULLN- erect garden shed-George House, Village Street- no objections

Cllr Davis raised concerns having read the latest TVBC document on community involvement on planning which suggest a larger amount of consultation will be required. Steve Counsell agreed to review the document as head of the Neighbourhood Plan group and report to the Parish Council in due course.

Attendance at Events

15) The Clerk had attended the TVAPTC meeting on 24th November via Microsoft Teams to hear details regarding the elections in May 2023.

Community Thanks

16) Thanks were expressed to: - Edward Chamberlain for work to clear the stream bed and cut the hedge by the BT library box.

Correspondence

17)The Clerk highlighted correspondence as follows: -
None other than that already discussed.

Items for next agenda

18)
History Board
Resilience Plan
Elections
Annual Parish Meeting

Community News

23) None

Date of next meeting

24) The next meeting will take place at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 1st February 2023.