

**THRUXTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7 October 2009**

Present: Cllr C Milner-Williams Chairman, Cllr R Bradbury, & Cllr D Foynes.

In attendance: TVBC P Lashbrook.

Mrs H Bournier -Clerk

Mr J McKenzie -Thruyton Times and Village Correspondent

Two members of the public.

**Apologies for Absence**

336 Apologies for absence were received from , Cll K Phillipson, Cllr R Pennells. Cllr J Davis TVBC Cllr Mrs Charnley, & HCC Cllr Mrs West.

**Public Participation**

337 Mike Winsor, member of public present asked if there were any known time scale regarding the proposed boundary review. The Chairman confirmed no specific time had been set and also placed on record that TVBC had stated that inclusion in any subsequent development envelope would not confer any presumption of automatic planning consent.

**Co Option to fill vacancy**

338 The statutory period of notice had expired and TVBC had confirmed that no request for a by-election had been made. The Returning Officer had issued the necessary authority for the Parish Council to co-opt. Mrs Judy Saunders of Tarvers Cottage Thruyton had presented her written application to become a Parish Councillor. In a statement she said she had lived in the village for three and a half years and expressed her wish to participate in village life and hoped to add value to the Parish Council. Her CV had been circulated to all Parish Councillors and Cllr Milner-Williams formally proposed she be co-opted to the Parish Council. All present were in favour , Mrs Judy Saunders was therefore formally co-opted, and signed the declaration of acceptance of office to enable her fully to participate in the meeting.

**Declarations Of Interest**

339 There were no declarations of interest.

**MINUTES**

340 **Resolved:** that the minutes of the meeting held on 2 September 2009 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**Grit Bins**

341 The clerk reported that the proposed sites for the bins had been approved by HCC highways but that hard standing needed to be installed before the bins could be placed. Those present suggested a contractor be asked to carry out the work. The clerk agreed to obtain quotes.

**New Notice Board**

342 The contractor renovating the new notice board had confirmed the work complete and his intention to fit the board in its desired location in the next few days.

**Stream Bank Repairs**

343 The clerk reported that despite several attempts to contact HCC regarding the necessary repairs, nothing positive had been confirmed. The Chairman asked the clerk to contact HCC Cllr Pat West regarding this matter as she had agreed to press this matter on behalf of the parish which had continued for three years.

**Maintenance of Village Green**

344 An emergency cut had been carried out satisfactorily by Dave Smith of Kimpton at a cost of £50. He had quoted £65 for a further cut and strim of nettles and it was agreed that he would be asked to cut once more before the winter.

Formal invitation to tender notices for next season had been issued and the clerk confirmed she had received two responses. Cllr Milner-Williams, Cllr Foynes and the clerk would meet to review all received as soon after 28 October as possible.

### **Sports field Car Park**

345 Cllr Milner-Williams said there appeared to be a delay regarding the building of the car park and he agreed to speak to Henry Pelham to establish facts.

### **County and Borough Councillor Reports**

346 HCC Cllr Mrs Pat West had sent a report which highlighted the latest on spending on highways, the councils measures to deal with the possible swine flu endemic, and rural strategy plans. The full report will be circulated to all Parish Councillors.

TVBC Cllr Lashbrook confirmed there will be a meeting on 13 October 2009 for parish councillors to discuss the revised proposals for the Andover Airfield site. Concerns were raised at elements of the Highways Agency failure fully to consider the cumulative effect of in particular traffic where there are proposals for more than one similar site in close proximity. The Chairman and Cllr Saunders would attend the meeting which Cllr Milner-Williams had been asked to chair.

### **Planning**

347 The following decisions by TVBC were noted:

09/01399/FULLN renewed application for 1 and 2 storey extensions at 11 Lambourne Close Thrupton- permission granted

348 **Resolved:** that the planning advisory committees recommendations on the following application be endorsed

09/01786/FULLN erection of stable, post & rail fence and five bar gate, South barn Cottage Church Lane, Thrupton- after considering a letter against the application and noting a verbal objection Councillors decided that no objection would be raised.

### **FINANCE**

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The bank balances as at 11 September 2009 were as follows:

Lloyds TSB £7088.47

Bank of Ireland £10,286.61

### **Payments**

350 **Resolved:** that the following payments be approved and signing of cheques authorised:

Retrospective

Hampshire Air Ambulance £300.00

Thrupton War Memorial Hall £400.00

Anton DO supplies	£19.20
Thrupton WMH	£16.00
H Bourner Sep salary	£225.16
H Bourner Aug exp.	£18.98
D Smith	£50.00
S electric contracting	£104.58
Information Comms	£35.00
J Davis Travel	£14.09
Southern electric	£122.89

The current budget forecast was reviewed and a suggestion that the precept be forecast be increased by 3% per annum implemented. The clerk agreed to amend the figures and circulate the budget plan to all councillors in order that agreement could be reached at the November meeting.

### **Attendance at Events**

351 Cllr Milner-Williams and Cllr Saunders will attend the Andover Airfield meeting on 13 October. Cllr Davis would attend the TVAPC meeting on 12 November.

### **Correspondence**

352. Several items of correspondence were noted:-

Sustainable communities' act, request to ask MP to sign early day motion will be sought.

BT wires in Village Street, a report from a member of public had expressed concern these low wires were dangerous. The clerk reported these were of no danger and could be moved if there were line faults, but otherwise the cost would fall to the parish.

The re-naming of Thrupton Down Road and Thrupton Hill Road would be formally adopted.

TVBC access plan, the clerk will put forward suggestions to TVBC to improve public footpaths in the village. Three footpaths were identified: Lambourne Close to Village Street, Village Street to Beech Close and Lambourne Way to St John's Lane.

HCC transport survey, reviewed but no response put forward.

Hampshire police authority seeking independent members, details would be noted in village newsletter, any interested parties to contact the clerk.

HCC licence to cultivate land, the clerk will complete the application for Parish Council rights to cultivate the small area of land at site of A303 and industrial estate turning.

### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

353 The clerk noted a letter of thanks from Hampshire Air Ambulance.

Cllr Milner-Williams proposed the request for tree preservation orders on two significant yew trees at Hamble House. The current residents were in favour. All agreed that a preservation order be pursued. Cllr Milner-Williams asked that all residents observe the two minutes silence planned for 11 November which will be marked by the ringing of the church bell both before and after 11.am

A request was put forward to persuade all residents to take pride in the village and in particular by ensuring the front gardens of properties were kept tidy. The Chairman noted that in times of recession it was important that the village looked attractive; he commended the work done on the thatched wall of Manor Cottage

### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting would take place at 7.30 pm on Wednesday November 4th 2009.