

THORNBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of MEETING

Monday 10th June 2013 at 6.30p.m.

Present: Cllr Mark Cole (Chair), Cllr Andy Spurr, Cllr Melanie Staff, Cllr Ray Goodger, Cllr Mary Taylor, Maggie Beach (Clerk)

Public: 8 members of the public were present by the end of the meeting.

1	Apologies: Cllr Charlotte Moore,	
2	Public Participation session: Richard Wyllie had come to discuss the marquee (Item 16)	
3	Declaration of interest in items on the agenda – None	
4	Minutes of the meeting of 29th May 2013- Agreed with a handwritten addition to item 24xi – Clerk to talk to Window Cleaners about this.	
5	<p>Review of Action Points</p> <p>Item 1. The Clerk has written to Rupert Bursell as directed</p> <p>Item 6. Thornborough Community Woodland</p> <p>Item 7. Tree management</p> <p>Item 8. Bill Day Memorial Bench</p> <p>Item 9. Greens</p> <p>Item 11. Street Lighting</p> <p>Item 12. Allotments</p> <p>Item 13. Thornborough Weir</p> <p>Item 14. Church clock</p> <p style="text-align: center;">All on agenda</p> <p>Item 15. Annual inspection of Play Area - Report not yet received.</p> <p>Item 16. Dog Waste Collections Service Level Agreement - the Clerk has contacted AVDC but has not yet had a response.</p> <p>Item 17. LAF Funding - Broadband the Clerk has communicated TPC's interest to the LAF.</p> <p>Item 21. Parish Community Response Team Emergency Contacts – Clerk has sent in response as decided at the last meeting.</p> <p>Item 23. Finances – payments sent. The clerk has not yet contacted E-on about the meters at the Sports field. Clerk has accepted Cartwright Landscapes' quote for work for the current year.</p> <p>Item 24. Clerk has talked with Robert Smart, he will be coming to the Open Meeting.</p>	
6	<p>Thornborough Community Woodland</p> <p>- The Clerk reported that she has still not received the lease for TPC to sign.</p> <p>- Cllr MT noted that it seems a lot of parishioners do not know about the woodland. She suggested that TPC organise some walks.</p>	Clerk to circulate the lease when received.
7	<p>Tree management</p> <p>Nothing further to report</p> <p>Cllr AS has talked to Julia Carey about the trees.</p> <p>Cllr AS is in the process of sorting tree inspections.</p>	Cllr AS to continue to progress.
8	<p>Bill Day Memorial Bench</p> <p>The Clerk has not yet heard back from Janet Day.</p>	
9	<p>Greens– Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fences round pumps Cllr AS to get a quote from Matthew McStraw to replace both pump fences, like for like. • Bye-laws Update. Nothing further to report. 	Cllr. AS still to action.
10	<p>Road issues –</p> <p>Clerk reported that there were still a considerable number of pot-holes. Cllrs confirmed that there were pot-holes on the High Street, Back Street, the top</p>	Clerk to contact LAT.

	of Bridge Street, Pilch Lane, and generally throughout the village. The Clerk will book a date to walk round with David Smith, our Local Area Technician from Transport for Bucks. Cllr MS is still interested in joining the walk round and will e-mail the clerk some dates she is available	
11	<p>Street Lighting - update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk has now walked round the village with David Mooney and looked at each light. He has noted which lights should be on, which should be off and which need repairing. Currently all lights that should be on are, apart from one in Thornhill which needs repairing. He checked that the fuses had been removed from the lights that TPC had asked to be turned off at Thornhill. The Clerk had also talked about the placing of lights. David Mooney had said that once we were responsible for the lights at Orchard Close (when the road is adopted by BCC) we can move the light near the Children's Playground nearer the corner to light Nash Road as well. We could also move the light at the end of Orchard Close onto Nash Road if we wanted more light there. • Pavement lighting along the High Street was also discussed. David Mooney confirmed that if we wanted to go for lighting supplied by electricity from the mains then the cable is there already. • David Mooney has given an assurance that the upgrades of the street lights commissioned 18 months ago will happen in June. 	Clerk to continue to follow up.
12	<p>Allotments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk has e-mailed Ms Gavigan about sharing the cost of the hedge cutting and to answer her questions and points previously made concerning the cutting of the remainder of the hedge and insurance in case of a problem, possibly caused by bonfires on allotments. The remainder of the hedge will be cut manually once birds have stopped nesting at no extra cost. Public Liability covers TPC on the allotments as elsewhere, but a problem cause by an allotment holder would be their responsibility, not ours. Allotment holders have been told this in an accompanying letter with the 2013/14 invoices sent out in April. They have also been asked to put compost containers and any necessary bonfires at the furthest edge of the allotment away from The Willows. • Clerk has informed BCC that we no longer want the extra triangle of land given to us in 2006. She has not yet had a reply. 	
13	<p>Thornborough Weir - update</p> <p>A letter from TPC written by Cllr MC has been sent and a reply received. However it does not really address the points made in Cllr MC's letter. There is still no explanation of why winter dates were chosen or any explanation for the behaviour of the work force.</p> <p>The workmen have now started the work two days previously.</p>	
14	<p>Church clock</p> <p>This is in progress.</p>	Cllr RG to action
15	<p>Memorial for Airmen – letter from Katy Morris</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Clerk has written to Katy Morris and received a reply. Katy Morris will continue to progress. The Clerk will research costs of a plaque. There may be funding for World War 2 events available, possibly from RAF or SSAFA. • Cllr RG reported that he has been in touch with RAF reserves and they are interested in attending any plaque event and could give a full military salute. • Cllr RG also reported that he has a connection with Duxford. The plaque event could be planned to coincide with a planned flyover by the RAF at Duxford. 	Clerk to research cost of a plaque and funding.
16	<p>Marquee</p> <p>.Richard Wyllie, chairman of the Thornborough Sports and Social Club attended. The TSSC wishes to sell the marquee. Although originally given to the village, it has already been sold and then bought back just after 2000. TSSC has offered it to Padbury for £450.</p>	

	<p>Cllr AS reported that the marquee was in good condition and there was no problem about future storage. Proposed that we offer the TSSC £360 for the marquee. Proposed Cllr AS, seconded Cllr MS, passed unanimously. Richard Wyllie will take this offer to the committee at their meeting tonight.</p>	
17	<p>LCPLG (Local Council Planning Liaison Group) The Clerk has received an e-mail from John Byrne apologising that due to pressure of work in the Development Team and the timetable of Vale of Aylesbury Plan the next meeting of this group is postponed indefinitely. However, John Byrne stressed that he believes this group is very important.</p>	<p>Clerk to forward next meeting date when received.</p>
18	<p>Planning: – No planning applications received for this meeting. Bulletins a) Bulletins and other updates – noted. Update on Coombs development. The Clerk has had a correspondence with Paul Hems about the intentions of TPC. The Clerk has also contacted Claire Conway-Crapp to ask if she has approached English Heritage about listing the buildings. She has not. TPC agreed that there seemed no further action to be taken so they would withdraw their objection. However they were unhappy about the tone of Paul Hems correspondence. It was decided to send a letter of complaint to our District Councillor, Sir Beville Stanier, copying in John Byrne, AVDC Head of Planning.</p>	
19	<p>Finances: a) Bank Reconciliation – May 2013. Current Account £27,331.64 Reserve Account £15,149.08 Current liabilities: £3,734.14 Total £38,760.58 b) Payments and Receipts - 10th June 2013 Cheques E-on (unmetered supplies) £23.68 Cheque No. 466 Clerk's Salary cheques – May £350.07 Cheque No 467 HMRC - Clerk's Income Tax £87.60 Cheque No 468 (PAYE Ref. 475/SA75351 Accounts office Ref. 475PE00369213) Direct Debits E-on (Sports Pavilion supplies) £105.00 Anglian Water still in credit Total £566.35 c) Receipts - Allotment Rents x 2 £14.00 Total £14.00 Sports pavilion Direct Debit – the Clerk has not yet contacted E-on about checking whether the sports pavilion meters are reading accurately. She suggested that there would be more control over the amount TPC were paying every month if we returned to paying quarterly by cheque. This was proposed by Cllr AS, seconded by Cllr MS and passed unanimously.</p>	<p>Clerk to raise cheques</p> <p>Clerk to contact E-on and arrange</p>
20	<p>A.O.B. other correspondence and any other Councillors' Issues i. Information about planned new schools for Buckingham Town – a new secondary and a new primary school confirmed. ii. A new extension is planned for Thornborough Infant School, plans available at this meeting but the planning application has not yet gone to AVDC. – noted iii. The pond still needs dredging. Is this the Environment Agency's responsibility? iv. The diamond of grass at the junction of the Leckhampstead and Thornton roads needs cutting.</p>	<p>Clerk to look into this. Clerk to report this to BCC</p>
21	<p>Date of next meeting; 8th July at 7.00 The meeting closed at 7.25 p.m.</p>	