

Thurlby Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of Thurlby Parish Council (Min 16-07) held
on Wednesday the 7th December 2016 at 7.30 p.m. in the Lawrance
Park Social Room, Thurlby

Present: **Councillors:** N Bradley, B Dobson, E Lunn, B Sadler, S Samara, Y Scott and A Thomas
 Residents: S Holland.
 Others: Bernard Champness – Clerk, County Councillor Helen Powell

Open Forum

Stephen Holland had circulated to all Councillors of a planning application regarding his concern about to planning application which related to the building of the Lidl supermarket. The two plans had reference numbers 16/2158 and 16/16000. The latter was issued in the summer and related to a sign on the South elevation of the building. The Clerk explained that he had sent the plan to the Councillors asking their views. As there were insufficient replies no comments had been made. With regards to the 16/2158 plan the Clerk confirmed he had never received the application. If he had received the plan Councillors would have been advised. Mr Holland said that he was very disappointed and he felt that the District Council were negligent in the way they had handled these matters and he was going to take matters further. He explained that the application to be dealt with tonight was as a direct result of his intervention

The meeting was formally opened at 19.37

139. Apologies for absence, acceptance of Apologies & noting of resignations received

139.1 Apologies were received from Cllr Roulstone(personal) Cllr Rose (ill health) Cllr M Reece,(work)

139.2 **Resolved** that the apologies be accepted.

140. Declaration of Interest – To receive Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests, as set out in Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011 and the nature of those interests relating to any Agenda item

140.1 No one declared an interest in any matter on the agenda.

141. Minutes of the Meeting of Thurlby Parish Council held on the 2nd November 2016 (Min16-06)

141.1 **Resolved:** That the minutes of the 2nd November 2016 were signed by the Chair as a correct record

142. Report from the District and County Councillors

142.1 District Councillor Dobson explained that the applicant for 23 The Green had appealed the decision to refuse planning permission
Lidl supermarket was to open on the 8th December
Whilst not in our Parish he advised that the Galletly Practice had submitted a plan to extend the practice which would allow them to carry out minor surgery. He believed the plan would be approved.
There was another accident at King Street and something needed to be done. He felt that we should continue trying to get a crossing at Thurlby.
He was asked if he was aware of a policy by the District Council to turn off street lights

after midnight. The Clerk said that he had received a complaint from a resident that street lights in Beck Way and the surrounding streets were being switched off at night. They wanted to know if this was part of the policy by the County Council in saving money. He had lodged a complaint and it appeared that these streets were part of the decision by the council to turn off the light from midnight to 6 am.

142.2

County Councillor Powell said that council were going to discuss devolution at a meeting next Friday

She had found out the Bourne Town sign near the roundabout was covered by vegetation and reported this to the County Council who indicated that it was not their responsibility but that of Bourne Town Council

She mentioned a Mr Platt who she was trying to help. She was asked for an explanation and Cllr Sadler explained that he had been approached by Mr Platt who could not receive a signal with his satellite dish because of trees preventing this. He went to see Mr Platt and quickly realised that Councillor Powell had also been approached and was helping him.

Once he knew this he stood back

Councillor Powell also reported the accident at King Street. She recommended that we start a petition to try and get the speed limit reduced to 40 mph. The Clerk explained that when he was on the 8 am bus the traffic moved slower than 40 mph and was often held up by traffic turning right into King Street

143. Clerks Report and correspondence received

143.1

The Clerks Report had been circulated in advance. The following additional documents had been received since the report had been completed and they were

1. ICCM Winter Issue
2. LCR Winter Issue
3. A letter from Lincolnshire County Council regarding self-help and mutual aid in times of severe winter weather (snow)
4. A letter from Lincolnshire County Council regarding sharing parish council communications with Councillors
5. A letter from John Spooner of Lawrance Park asking if the parish council would support their grant application for a Jungle Swing Agility Trail and a Roundabout. Following discussion it was resolved that we would support this request
6. It was agreed that we would pay £40.00 to the Royal British Legion for the wreath
7. The Christmas tree had been put up and payment of £50.00 had been made to E Charlton for the tree
8. Cllr Samara explained that she approached the householder at 8 Crown Lane about cutting back the trees at the front of the house. Unfortunately she was not successful and suggested that a letter be sent by the Clerk to the occupier.
Resolved that the letter be sent and asking if we the parish council could do this work
9. The Clerk reported that the Neighbourhood Planning Group had obtained an offer of a grant and he had to complete a due diligence form. This document was not on line so on the 5th December he telephone Locality and was informed that they had an email address which was to be used. They were advised that this was incorrect as the proper email address was that of the Parish Council. Whilst on the telephone they changed the email address and the Clerk was able to complete the due diligence form and return it. Locality had formally acknowledged the completed form
10. The reactive sign had been ordered, payment made and the delivery date was 19th December. The Clerk had also asked what the cost would be to have the company install the sign. They had replied saying the cost would be £299.00 + VAT
11. The Clerk had taken advice from LALC about paying a Councillor an income for doing work for the council. The advice was that we could not. He had also replied to

SKDC explaining this but asking for the scheme in place so that we could start to advertise the vacancy for a cleaner. They had not replied so a reminder had been sent

144. Planning applications:

- 144.1** **S16/2553** – reserved application for 132 dwellings on Zones 4 and 6 and associated NEAP at Zones 4 & 6 (in Part) Elsea Park, Bourne. **Response** date 14th December 2017. **Resolved** no comment.
- 144.1.1** **S16/2398** - Change of land use from agricultural to environmental land, river restoration and wetland creation works at Fleetlore House, King Street, Baston, Lincolnshire. **Response** by 14th December 2016. **Resolved** no comment
- 144.1.2** **S16/2466** - Demolish existing stables and rebuild at 3 Obthorpe Lane, Thurlby. **Response** by 14th December 2016. **Resolved** no objections
- 144.1.3** **S16/2534** - Demolition of existing wall and erection of replacement wall 6 Church Street, Thurlby. **Response** by 14th December 2016 (Listed Building consent) and **S16/2533** (householder) **Resolved** no objections as long it is in keeping with the Listed Building along side.
- 144.1.4** **S16/2520** - First floor extension over existing garage and two storey and single storey extensions at 9 Woodside East, Northorpe, Thurlby. **Response** by 13th December 2016. **Resolved** no comment.
- 144.1.5** **S16/2478** - Single storey front extension at 12 Lawrance Way, Thurlby, **Response** by 13th December 2016. **Resolved** no objections.
- 144.1.6** **S16/2077** - Conversion of barn to create a single dwelling at The Barn, The Old Vicarage, 14 Church Street, Thurlby **Response** by 12th December 2016. **Resolved** no objections but to comment on the fact that there is going to be a substantial amount of development in that area and this will put pressure on an already overworked sewerage system. There was also an existing problem with surface water running off the road and causing flooding which would be exacerbated with this extra development
- 144.1.7** **S16/2427** - Erection of single storey link to extension from existing garage to dwelling, conversion of part garage to residential accommodation and insertion of additional rooflights along with additional doors and windows at 10 Priory Close, Thurlby. **Response** by 8th December 2016. **Resolved** no objections but would like to comment on the fact that the application did not mention at all that a wall was going to be demolished and rebuilt closer to the footpath and in so doing trees would have to be cut down. Whilst not objecting to the actual building work we did not agree to the wall being moved and trees being felled.
- 144.1.8** **S16/2531** - Conversion of barns to form one four bedroom dwelling unit at Park House, 8 Church Street. **Response** by 7th December 2016 (full planning) and **S16/2532**(to include listed building consent) **Resolved** no objections but to comment on the fact that there is going to be a substantial amount of development in that area and this will put pressure on an already overworked sewerage system. There was also an existing problem with surface water running off the road and causing flooding which would be exacerbated with this extra development
- 144.1.9** **S16/2372** - Single storey rear extension and replacement of existing flat roof with a pitched roof over the existing kitchen/shower room area at 17 Elizabeth Way, Northorpe. **Response** by 2nd December but extended until 8th December 2016. **Resolved** no

objections

144.1.10 S16/2605 - Proposed rear extension and alterations at 44 High Street, Thurlby. **Response** by 20th December 2016. **Resolved** no objections.

144.1.11 After the agenda had been sent out another plan had been received and circulated to Councillors bearing number **S16/2652** – for 2 No Building mounted signs at Land Opposite The Sugar Mill (Lidl Store) Milestone Road. The response date was the 26th December 2016. It was **resolved** that the plan be considered tonight with the Clerk having delegated authority to respond. After considering the plan it was resolved that there be no objections.

145. To receive an update on the Neighbourhood Planning process (Stephen Holland)

145.1 The meeting was closed at 20.39 to allow Mr Holland to address the council. He said that he had prepared a report and hoped that everyone had seen a copy. It was confirmed that the report had been circulated in advance. He asked if there were any questions. There were no questions. Mr Holland said that once the consultant had completed the work he wanted to ensure that they were paid quickly rather than waiting until the next meeting which would be in February 2017. It was explained to him that this had already been agreed at the last meeting. It was once again agreed that once the invoice from the consultant had been received it should be sent to the Clerk for payment to be made. The meeting was reopened at 20.43

146. To consider the Precept for 2017/18 and to prepare a budget.

146.1 The Clerk had prepared a budget which had been circulated in advance. The budget showed the actual expenditure for 2015 -2016, the budget for 2016-2017, the expenditure to date, the revised budget to the end of this financial year and what we anticipated we would spend and receive during 2017-2018.

The anticipated expenditure was considered in detail with various amendments and adjustments were made. Once this exercise had been completed the actual amount for the Precept could be calculated. It was **resolved** that the Precept be set at £24803.

To reach this figure the following were agreed

- 1) That we reduce the amount for the Newsletter to 2 copies a year, being the Annual Report and Christmas edition. Any other articles can be placed in the Village Link
- 2) We would not enter the best kept village competition
- 3) £1000 be set aside for dog/waste bins
- 4) £150 be set aside for providing Wi-Fi capacity in the building
- 5) £300 be set aside for a BT sim card
- 6) A projector be purchased and £200 be set aside for this
- 7) £350 be included for a village cleaner

147. To discuss a complaint from two residents regarding a water drainage problem in Wood Lane and Northorpe.

147.1 It was agreed because of the time this matter would be adjourned to the February meeting and the Clerk to let both residents know that we are looking into the problem for them. .

148. To discuss possible training in line with the Training Policy.

148.1 It was agreed because of the time this matter would be adjourned to the February meeting.

149. To discuss the response from SKDC regarding Sec 106 monies.

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150. To discuss the survey result priorities and what action is necessary to deal with them.

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151. To receive an update on the Cemetery to include grass cutting and maintenance

151.1 Cllr Thomas said that some extra work will be undertaken by Chris Harris in the cemetery in that he will sweep away leaves and if necessary cut the grass one more time.

152. To receive an update on the position of a crossing at Thurlby and traffic around the village generally

152.1 There was no update at this moment in time.

153. For any Councillor to produce a written report of any meeting that he/she has attended as representatives of the Parish Council

153.1 Cllr Lunn handed in a copy of the minutes of the last Churchyard Committee meeting on the 14th November. The Clerk was asked to circulate this.

154. To confirm Expenditure

[£3280.80 – Unipart Dorman (Reactive sign and fittings)]

£40.00 – B M Champness (use of home as office)

£425.17 – B M Champness (salary)

£80.00 – C T Reece (deliver Annual Report)

£160.00 - Europress Litho Printers Ltd (print newsletter)

[] denotes those payments paid between meetings, which have been approved by the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Parish Council or at a previous meeting but not listed

154.1 **Resolved:** that the above payments be made after the Clerk explained that the correct amount to Europress was £262.80 not £160.00

154.2 The Clerk circulated the spreadsheet showing what money was spent and how much we had received.

155. Members Questions - reminder only questions given to the clerk a week in advance will be answered.

155.1 Cllr Samara said that she understood that the previous Councillors were still able to access the private part of the website as their password and username were still operational. It was agreed this was not good and the Clerk said that he would get a new username and password for the Councillors and ensure that the old ones did not work.

155.2 Cllr Thomas said that he would like on the February agenda a discussion about the state of the cycle path from Thurlby to Bourne. It was not in a very good condition and was very narrow in parts.

155.3 There were no further questions and there being no further business the meeting was formally closed at 21.49

156. The date of the next meeting – to be held on Wednesday 1st February 2017 at 7.30 p.m. in the Lawrance Park Social Room, Thurlby.