

# THRUSSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

## Minutes of Thrussington Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 7.30 PM at the Village Hall, Thrussington

### Present:

Chairman Tom Prior, Cllr Beverley Kearns, Cllr Colin Bell, Cllr Alan Heath and Cllr Ian Procter-Blain  
The Clerk  
2 members of the public  
Cllr J Poland

### The Chair opened the meeting at 7.30 PM

#### 50/2015 – Resolution to receive apologies for absence

- Cllr Houseman

#### 51/2015 – Resolution to receive declarations of interest on items of the agenda

- N/A

#### 52/2015 – County Council/Police reports

- Cllr Poland reported that inspector had reported his feedback for the Core Strategy and confirmed that it was 'unsound but capable of modification'. Charnwood Borough Council are aware of the required modifications and these will be carried out and then there will be a public consultation before the inspector reviews the strategy and delivers his verdict. It was suggested that the verdict may not be released until after the election.

#### 53/2015 - Public Questions

Members of the public were asked to declare their name when addressing the Chairman if they wished for their name to be minuted in this section of the meeting, if they did not want their name mentioned they need not declare it.

- Nich Stanyard reported that he had been in contact with Charnwood Borough Council to request an up to date map showing the correct conservation area for the village, however, the only maps that had been received were incorrect versions. Nich is trying to arrange a meeting with Charnwood Borough Council and asked if a member of the Parish Council and Cllr Poland would be available to attend with him. The Parish Council agreed to support Nich where possible.

#### 54/2015 – Resolution to approve and sign minutes of the full council meeting of the 20<sup>th</sup> January 2015

The minutes of the meeting were circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting for them to be reviewed.

**Resolved:** Councillors were reminded to check through the minutes fully before the meeting in order to resolve any queries that may arise. The minutes of the January meeting were approved and signed and will be uploaded onto the parish website.

#### 55/2015 – Resolution to approve payment of outstanding accounts

- Current account balance = £5,933.36
  - Interest on account received during January = £0.71

The following cheques were agreed:

200053	• Thrussington Village Hall, hall hire	£20.00
	<b>Total outgoing cheques:</b>	<b>£20.00</b>

**Resolved:** Cheques and invoices signed and clerk to send out at earliest convenience.

### **56/2015 – Clerks report**

The clerk presented her report verbally.

### **57/2015 – To discuss and agree actions in relation to the May 2015 Elections**

The clerk circulated a copy of the election timeframe but reported that very little information had been made available in relation to the Parish Council elections and was in the process of trying to speak with Andrea Telford at Charnwood Borough to gain more details. The clerk asked Cllr Poland if he had any further information or could find out the process for Parish Council elections. Councillors reported that it is likely that there will be two vacancies on Thruslington Parish Council.

**Resolved:** The clerk will contact Charnwood Borough Council again and try to find out further details and Cllr Poland will also circulate any details relating to Parish Council elections.

### **58/2015 – To finalise the details of the litter pick which will take place on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2015**

The clerk provided the council with grabbers and bin bags which will be used for the litter pick. Cllr Prior confirmed that the litter pick will commence at 9.00 AM on the village green and it is hoped that between 15 and 20 volunteers will support the litter pick.

### **59/2015 – To discuss and agree the request for funds for the 2014 year from Thruslington Life**

The clerk reported that she had received a request from Thruslington Life (TL) for their grant of £400 for the year 2014 and that colleagues from TL were under the impression that the £400 was a fixed and ongoing arrangement. The clerk reported that she would have expected TL to submit a request for the funds at the start of the financial year and not wait until their drafts accounts had been prepared as this would suggest that the support of the Parish Council is only required if TL is not going to breakeven.

Councillors confirmed that the £400 is not a grant, it is a donation and it is not guaranteed year on year.

**Resolved:** It was agreed that the clerk would request a breakdown of costs from TL so they can see the level of income and expenditure before any donation is made for the year 2014. It was also agreed that the Parish Council would make it clear that any request for funds should be submitted on an annual basis in December for the following year.

### **60/2015 – To discuss and agree action in relation to the installation of the village sign**

The clerk reported that she had tried to contact the individual concerned on several occasions to ascertain the date the sign was going to be installed, unfortunately no contact had been made and therefore no update could be provided on when the sign was going to be installed.

Councillors raised their concerns about the lack of communication and it was suggested that a councillor contact the individual directly.

**Resolved:** It was agreed that the Cllr Bell would contact the individual to ascertain what was happening with the sign.

### **61/2015 – Parish Councillor updates**

- Cllr Bell asked whether it would be possible for the clerk to source a copy of the flood plain map
- Cllr Bell reported complaints from villagers regarding the use of the road to the side of the village green by delivery vehicles and it was suggested that someone should speak with the manager of the pub as it appeared to be their delivery vehicles causing the problems
- Cllr Kearns reported that there had been various complaints about the lateness of the bus, up to 50 minutes, and these were being reported to the bus company
- Cllr Prior reported that there were concerns again about dog fouling in the village and it was agreed that an article should be included in the next edition of TL and something added to the Parish Council website to make villagers aware that they can make confidential complaints to Charnwood Borough Council

**62/2015 - Date of next full parish council meeting**

**Resolved:** The chair confirmed that next Parish Council meeting will take place on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March and will commence at 7.30 PM in the village hall.

**The Chair closed the meeting at 8.30 PM.**

**Signed:**

**Date:**