

# **THRUSSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

## **Minutes of Thrusington Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 7.30 PM via zoom**

### **Present:**

Cllr Prior, Cllr Kearns, Cllr Hainsworth, Cllr Newton, Cllr Johnson, Cllr Poland and the clerk.

### **875/2021 – Resolution to receive apologies for absence**

- N/A

### **876/2021 – Resolution to receive declarations of interest on items on the agenda**

- N/A

### **877/2021 - Public Questions**

- N/A

### **878/2021 – County/Borough Councillor & Police reports.**

- The clerk circulated a copy of the Police report to councillors prior to the meeting.
- Cllr Poland reported that the money is available from a brand new initiative to support struggling rural pubs. Leicestershire County Council is offering a one-off payment of £1,000 to support small village pubs which are unable to open their doors over the festive period.
- Cllr Poland reported that an extra £600,000 is being invested into a popular fund set up to support Leicestershire communities during the pandemic – taking the total to over £2m. Leicestershire County Council's Communities Fund was launched in March to ensure that community-based organisations could continue to carry out vital work, despite the impact coronavirus is having on their finances. To date, the fund has awarded over £1.5m to 220 projects across Leicestershire. Round three will have an additional focus on supporting community groups who are providing a vital service to local people during the pandemic, including: support for people who are described as clinically extremely vulnerable, the provision of welfare and associated support for vulnerable and disadvantaged people and families, including money/debt advice services; employment related support; food bank and associated food provisions; and access to other essential supplies and equipment, support to improve the mental health and wellbeing of people affected by the pandemic, including projects which reduce isolation and loneliness. The deadline for applications is 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021.
- Cllr Poland reported that people are being urged to share their memories of Loughborough Market and Fair as part of plans to celebrate its 800th anniversary this year. The first fair was held in Loughborough on July 31, 1221 to mark the feast day of St Peter. It was in the same year that a charter to hold a market in Loughborough was granted to the Lord of the Manor. Both a market and a fair have taken place in some form in Loughborough since that date. To mark the occasion, Charnwood Museum will host an exhibition to celebrate the milestone. People are being asked to share their memories, pictures, films and memorabilia for use in the exhibition and as part of an archive. The exhibition is a partnership between Leicestershire County Council and Charnwood Borough Council, with Loughborough Local Studies Volunteers leading on the historical research. Organisers of the exhibition want to hear from people of all ages who have memories of the fair – whether from many years back or much more recent. No memory is too small or insignificant for inclusion, as the organisers are hoping to include as much of the sights, sounds and smells of the fair as they can. As well as sharing the memories in the exhibition, they will also be used to create a community film, add to the East Midlands Oral History Archive and catalogue in the archives at the Record Office for Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. Anyone who would like to get involved and share their unique connections to Loughborough Fair is asked to get in touch by emailing: [louise.sharples@leics.gov.uk](mailto:louise.sharples@leics.gov.uk).

- Cllr Poland reported that the A46 will be closed overnight from the 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021 for 5 nights. It will be closed in both directions (north bound and south bound) between Syston and Six Hills for 5 nights, 21:00 till 05:00 each night. This is as part of the junction improvement work at the Seagrave/Thrussington junction associated with the Leicester City FC training ground which has been built at Park Hill, Seagrave. All the slip roads onto the A46 between the A607 Syston Northern bypass and Six Hills will also be closed during this time.

#### **879/2021 – Resolution to approve and sign minutes of the Parish Council meeting of the 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

The minutes of the meeting were circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting for them to be reviewed. Councillors were reminded to check through the minutes fully before the meeting in order to resolve any queries that may arise.

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the November meeting were approved and will be uploaded onto the parish website. The minutes will be signed at the next available meeting.

#### **880/2021 – Resolution to approve payment of outstanding accounts**

The clerk submitted the following payments for authorisation.

- Knapster Landscapes, footpath repairs = £828.00
- Helen Chadwick, clerks salary & expenses = £263.25

**Resolved:** Cllr Prior proposed that the payments should be paid by BACS, this was seconded by Cllr Kearns and all councillors were agreement.

#### **881/2021 – Planning applications**

Details of planning applications had been circulated to councillors prior to the meeting.

- P/20/2209/2 – erection of first floor extension to provide further guesthouse accommodation at The Star Inn, 37 The Green, Thrussington. *Councillors discussed the application and agreed that they had no concern with the development but suggested that construction traffic is parked on their car park.*
- P/20/2076/2 – replacement of existing barn buildings with new building at Fosse Way Fuel. *Councillors discussed the application and agreed that they had no concern with the application.*

#### **882/2021 – Update on litter bin**

The clerk circulated a selection of litter bin images to councillors prior to the meeting. It was agreed that this could be discussed at the February meeting and a decision would be made on the design of the bin. Cllr Prior agreed to contact Charnwood Borough Council to ask for clarification on who was paying for the bin.

#### **883/2021 – To discuss the annual litter pick and agree actions**

Councillors agreed to carry out at an appropriate time in the future.

#### **884/2021 – Parish Councillors updates**

- Cllr Kearns commented that at the top of Old Gate Road cars had been travelling over the grass verge on A46 by the chicken farm. It was suggested that this should be reported to highways.
- Cllr Kearns also commented about the amount of rubbish in the ditches. It was suggested that images be provided to Highways so that they can take the necessary action.

#### **885/2021 – Date of next meeting**

- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 7.30 PM via zoom

**Signed:**

**Date:**

The Chair closed the meeting at 20:00