

THRUSSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Thrustrington Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 18th April 2023 at 7.15 PM in the village hall

Present:

Cllr Prior, Cllr Kearns, Cllr Newby, Cllr Watson, Cllr Poland, 2 members of the public and the clerk.

1101/2023 - Resolution to receive apologies for absence

- N/A

1102/2023 – Resolution to receive declarations of interest on items on the agenda

As agreed Declarations of Interest would be recorded at the start of each meeting. Councillors declaring an interest would still be entitled to take part in discussions unless the item is prejudicial, councillors would not be allowed to vote on the item or add opinion.

- N/A

1103/2023 - Public Forum – 10 minutes

Members of the public were asked to declare their name when addressing the Chair if they wish 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.

- N/A

1104/2023 – County Council/District Council/Police reports

Cllr Poland circulated a copy of his report prior to the meeting which included:

The big help out

Residents of Leicester and Leicestershire are being urged to join in a nationwide volunteering project as part of the celebrations for the Coronation of His Majesty the King. The Big Help Out, taking place on Monday 8 May, has been launched by the King and Queen Consort to encourage people across the UK to try out volunteering and join in the work being undertaken to support their local areas, as well as highlighting the positive impact that volunteering has on communities.

Now, the Lord Lieutenant of Leicestershire Mike Kapur OBE – who is the King's representative in Leicestershire – has launched his Big Help Out pledge, and is urging people of all ages across the county to sign up to it. He is hoping that the Big Help Out will act as a launchpad to increase the number of volunteers across Leicestershire, by giving people a taste of volunteering and encouraging them to continue helping their communities after the celebrations are over.

Mr Kapur has made his own pledge to take part in a litter pick on 8 May, and is now encouraging people of all ages and from all walks of life in Leicester and Leicestershire to sign up to the pledge. Anyone who takes the Big Help Out pledge promises to take part in a volunteering activity on Monday 8 May, to explore getting involved with volunteering beyond the Coronation weekend and share their volunteering experience with others to inspire them to take part. It is hoped this will bring communities together and create a lasting volunteering legacy from the Coronation weekend.

Volunteers can sign up for The Big Help Out on the Lord Lieutenant's Coronation web page at

www.leicestershire.gov.uk/coronation, where details of volunteering opportunities in Leicester and Leicestershire can also be found. Organisations looking for volunteers are also being encouraged to register on the Big Help Out website, as well as businesses and other organisations who would like to co-ordinate volunteering opportunities for a number of employees.

Everyone who signs up is encouraged to share their pledge and their volunteering pictures @LeicsLietenant, using the hashtag #LeicsBigHelpOut

Loughborough Town Hall re-opens

Loughborough Town Hall welcomed audiences back on Thursday April 6 following a fire in the town centre last month. Charnwood Borough Council has been busy getting the Grade II listed building ready for customers since the blaze at the neighbouring HSBC bank on March 15. It caused some fire damage to the Town Hall roof and some smoke and water damage to other parts of the building.

Since then, the Town Hall has had thorough inspections, with all seats in the main hall auditorium and other parts of the building have been thoroughly cleaned and repairs and maintenance carried out to the air handling and air conditioning units.

The doors to the Box Office and Sock Gallery opened on Thursday April 6th and the first show back took place that night.

The Victoria Room will remain closed while further surveys and repairs to the roof and loft space is carried out.

Loughborough Markets have returned and are running as normal, apart from some traders standing in different places due to fencing outside the HSBC building.

A46 and A6 clean underway

Two major high-speed roads in Charnwood are scheduled to be given a spring clean this month. Charnwood Borough Council's waste partner Serco will be undertaking the clean-up in March which sees litter and debris removed from central reservations and verges of the A6 and A46 in the borough.

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The clean-up is completed twice a year and normally takes place around the same time as the clocks change. Litter becomes more visible before the clean-ups take place due to grass verges being cut back and the increased daylight. The Council is committed to caring for the environment and keeping the borough a clean place to live and visit. Part of this includes cleansing sections of the A6 and A46 in Charnwood twice a year. A significant amount of planning is required for the clean-ups including rolling lane closures which will be in place while work is being carried out. The clean-up started on Saturday March 25 and will be ongoing until Friday April 21, 2023. A rolling lane closure will be in place while cleaning is being carried out and may cause delays. Drivers are encouraged to take care and be vigilant while the rolling lane closures are in place. The work will cover the main carriageway and grass verges where accessible. The central reservation will be cleared first followed by the outside verges on both sides. The full schedule of the clean-up can be found at the Council's website: https://www.charnwood.gov.uk/clean_up

1105/2023 – Resolution to approve the minutes of the meetings held on the 28th March 2023

A copy of the minutes were circulated to councillors prior to the meeting. Cllr Kearns proposed that the minutes be approved for the March meeting, this was seconded by Cllr Watson and all councillors were in agreement. The minutes will be added to the website.

1106/2023– Resolution to approve payments

A copy of the payment schedule was circulated to councillors prior to the meeting which totaled £931.02. Cllr Watson proposed the payments, this was seconded by Cllr Kearns and all councillors were in agreement.

- LRALC annual membership = £260.86
- Npower village green = £393.75
- Helen Chadwick, clerks salary = £276.41.

1107/2023 – Resolution to approve year end accounts and annual governance statement for 2022/2023

The clerk circulated a copy of the year end accounts for 2022/2023 which showed an income of £12,000 and expenditure of £11,108.77. Cllr Kearns proposed that the accounts be accepted as a true reflection of the financial year, this was seconded by Cllr Chester and all councillors were in agreement.

1108/2023 – Planning applications

- a. P/23/0129/2 – demolition of out buildings and erection of dwelling with associated parking provision and bin storage at 2 Back Lane, Thrussington. Cllr Watson commented that the response from the parish council was still not showing on the planning portal. The clerk commented that she is not able to log our submission on the portal because you have to provide an address and her home address is outside of the area. Cllr Kearns suggested that we set up an account using the village hall address for the parish council.

1109/2023 – Parish Council election update

The clerk reported that the parish had an uncontested election which means that everyone that stood for election is duly elected. It was noted that at the May meeting all councillors will be formally elected on the parish council and we will need to consider the roles of Chair and Vice Chair.

1110/2023 – Parish Councillor updates

- Cllr Prior commented that the mowing has not taken place and asked the clerk to remind them that the green needs mowing prior to the coronation.
- Cllr Kearns commented that the water at the top of Seagrave Road has been reported to Severn Trent but nothing has been done.
- Cllr Watson reminded the clerk that we need to carry out the consultation for the speed signs. The clerk will email the papers over for distribution to the neighbouring properties.
- It was reported that we will start to set up for the coronation event from 12.00 noon.

1111/2023 – Dates of 2023 meetings

- A copy of the draft meeting dates were circulated to councillors prior to the meeting.
 - Tuesday 27th June
 - Tuesday 18th July
 - Tuesday 19th September
 - Tuesday 17th October
 - Tuesday 21st November

Signed:

Date:

Chair closed the meeting at 19:45