



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Held Monday January 15th 2024 at Thorpe Baptist Church

January 2024

Minutes

1. Chairman To convene meeting

The chairman opened the meeting and welcomed all in attendance

2. Apologies for absence: Councillors Blandford, Coulter, Ewart and Fielder

In attendance: Chairman Land, Clerk, Councillors Carpenter, Cooper, Moor, Holland

3. Confirmation of minutes of last meeting held Monday 11th December 2023

Having been previously circulate, Councillor Cooper proposed that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the January meeting, Councillor Moor seconded the motion which was unanimously carried.

4. Declaration of Members Interests

There were none

5. Public discussion

M.O.P John Parker from Henderson Park presented his argument regarding the plans for the additional bungalows at the back of Henderson Park. He stated that the S106 agreement attached to the original planning consent is for a maximum of 98 dwellings and as such the S106 has been breached. John requested the PC help facilitate a meeting with TDC to discuss this issue.

6. Chairman's report

7. Consider and agree budget and precept for 2024/25

Having been previously circulated, a brief discussion took place regarding the proposed budget and precept for 24/25. The chairman proposed that the budget and precept for 2024/25 be approved, Councillor Cooper seconded the motion, which was unanimously agreed.

8. Path Cleaning - Purchase of Mechanical Cleaner

Councillor Cooper gave a brief update on ongoing conversations with the suppliers who have advised that original machines suggested would not have enough capacity for our need and provided some alternative suggestions.

9. Planning

Applications received

23/01721/FUL	Proposed conversion of former Class B1 (now Class E) commercial premises to four live/work units.	Objections: Flooding, unsuitable for residential, overdevelopment
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23/01724/FULHH	Proposed two storey side and single storey rear extensions and porch	No objections
23/01632/FUL	Proposed addition of 158 solar modules on the pitched and flat roofs of the school building.	Making comment- Impact on visual aspect in a conservation area
23/01804/FUL	Proposed erection of 2 No. two bed detached bungalows in lieu of approved scheme for a three-bed bungalow.	Objections- Overdevelopment, impact on street scene
24/00008/FULHH	Replace existing conservatory with single storey rear extension.	Not visible from the street, no impact on

Applications determined

23/01515/FUL Approval - Full	Proposed removal of existing metal chain link and timber trellis fencing, and installation of 2.4m high weldmesh fencing and pedestrian gate	Rolph C of E Primary School High Street
23/01419/LUEX Lawful use certificate granted	Application for an Existing Lawful Development Certificate for vehicular acces	Comarques Colchester Road
23/01538/FUL Refusal - Full	Proposed new 2 bedroom dwelling	20 Byng Crescent
23/01675/FULHH Approval - Full	Proposed garden room extension, reinstatement of a garage and installation of rooflights	The Hawthorns, High street

10. Accounts for period 12th December '23 – 15th January '24 incl.

To receive and approve the monthly accounts and payments.

Cllrs to approve Cheques/on-line payments for signature/approval, agree D/Debits & S/Orders:
All cheques/on-line payments to be signed by two designated members of PC.

STANDING ORDERS:

Jess Ball	£ [REDACTED]	Staff Wages
Naze Lamb	£490	PF maintenance

Payee	Invoice	Amount	Budget line
A&J Lighting		£96	S. light maintenance
N. Power		£388.64	S. light energy
Mower Magic		£1699.00	Open spaces (new brush cutter for footpaths)
Garden Machinery Direct		£560	Open spaces (new hedge cutter for footpaths)
Thorpe Baptist Church		£260	Meeting room hire
Clacton Business services		£48.00	Payroll services

Councillor Holland proposed the accounts be accepted, Councillor Moor seconded, all in favour.

11. Sub Committee Reports:

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| a. Christmas Lights | These have now been taken down |
| b. Highways and Pavements | Nothing to update |
| c. Lockyer's Wood | Nothing to update |
| d. Parish Footpaths & Village Greens | Nothing to update |
| e. Playing Field | Nothing to update |
| f. Street Lighting | Nothing to update |
| g. Thorpe in Bloom | Nothing to update |
| h. Allotments | 1 allotment still available |

12. Date of next meeting

Monday 12th February

13. Close of meeting