

THORPE MALSOR PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Thorpe Malsor Parish Council Meeting held on 21st January 2020 in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllr Mrs F Pope (Chairman), Cllr Mrs H Sharp, Cllr Mrs Z Powell, Cllr Mr R Walton, Cllr Mr E Stevenson

Clerk: Mrs Anne-Marie Walton-Miller

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None received.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None made.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- a. The Minutes of the Meetings held on 29th October 2019 and 28th November 2019 were read, accepted and signed.

b. MATTERS ARISING

i) INCONSIDERATE PARKING

Cllr Mr Stevenson reported that he had still not heard from KBC regarding the promised signage and would follow this up ahead of the next meeting.

ii) DEFIBRILLATOR FOR INSERTION INTO THE PHONE BOX

Cllr Mrs Pope reported that she had been in communication with a Representative of the Social Club about siting the defibrillator on the outside wall of the Club rather than in the phone box. The Social Club is prepared to purchase the defibrillator and arrange for installation. All members were in agreement that the £1500 that the PC had accrued to-date and had earmarked for the defibrillator should be donated to the club. Cllr Mrs Pope advised that she would liaise further with the Social Club to facilitate this.

iii) PLAY AREA

Cllr Mrs Pope reported that she had spoken to Dave Lane at KBC to ascertain whether a timetable had been agreed for the installation of the play area. The weather had caused a delay but Cllr Mrs Pope was advised that contracts had been exchanged and installation should be completed before Easter. Cllr Mr Stevenson reported that he had been in touch with KBC to discuss amendments to the proposed layout but would contact KBC again to make sure the equipment to be installed was as agreed.

iv) VE DAY CELEBRATIONS

The date for the VE Celebrations is Friday 8th May 2020. It was hoped that this would be an opportunity to get all villagers involved and that the church, village hall and social club could each be responsible for an event. Cllr Mrs Pope proposed that villagers be contacted and given an opportunity to put forward their ideas for events on the day. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Pope that a budget of £50.00 be allocated to this event. All Cllrs were in agreement.

v) **PROMOTION OF ELECTIONS 2020**

The Elections are to be held on 7th May 2020. As there will be a number of Councillor vacancies Cllr Mrs Pope proposed that a leaflet be put together advertising these in the first instance as well as advertising the same on social media. The resignation of the Clerk was also accepted and steps will need to be taken to recruit for this post too.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

No members of the public attended.

5. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

a) **PRECEPT/BUDGET PLANNING**

The draft budget was presented to the Committee for consideration. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Pope that the amount of the Precept should remain at £2000, this was seconded by Cllr Stevenson. Cllr Mrs Pope signed off the necessary form for submission to KBC.

6. FINANCES

The Clerk presented the accounts as at 9th December 2019.

The following accounts were passed for payment:-

NCALC membership invoice 2019/20 in sum of £211.78.

Proposed by Cllr Mrs Pope, seconded by Cllr Sharp.

7. PLANNING

KET/2018/0089 – There had been no notification from KBC to-date regarding resubmission of these plans.

KET/2019/0625 - It was reported that the application for retrospective planning permission had been refused by KBC.

KET/2019/0711 – It was reported that the Applicant had appealed to the Secretary of State against the Enforcement Notice issued by KBC on 15th October 2019.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

The following items of correspondence were discussed at the Meeting:

- a) It was agreed that the “What3Word” App mentioned in the NCALC update would be useful for villagers. The link is to be uploaded to the TMPC website.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) Cllr Stevenson alerted the Committee to the missing “Short Lane” Road Sign. It was

established that this may have been removed when Gigaclear we installing the internet cables. Cllr Sharp agreed to contact Gigaclear concerning a replacement road sign.

- b) Cllr Stevenson alerted the Committee to the fact that the footpath between Thorpe Malsor and Loddington has become overgrown again. The journey between the villages was becoming hazardous partly attributable to the overgrown footpath but also because the road was too narrow for buses travelling along that stretch of road and which were breaching the central reservation.

10. ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON THE AGENDA FOR THE NEXT MEETING

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING : This was fixed for Tuesday 24th March at 7.00pm.

Signed

Dated