

## **THORVERTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Listed below are some points raised at the Parish Council (PC) meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018. The full meeting Minutes can be viewed on the notice board in School Lane or on the website. The next PC meeting will take place on **8<sup>th</sup> May at Thorverton W.I. Hut** at 7.30pm - all are welcome to attend. Alison Marshall – Clerk.  
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### **The New Cemetery**

The PC are shortly to review and submit a completed funding application form to the Heritage Lottery Fund in connection with covering the costs of the required community archaeological dig on the chosen Dark Lane site. Once a response has been received from HLF the PC can move forward with the planning of the new Cemetery.

### **DCC Highways matters**

- a. Dark Lane wall repairs – the Structural Engineers report is on its way and once reviewed the PC will be able to decide on the way forward – more news next month – in the meantime the Lane will remain closed to vehicles.
- b. Cobble work around the bases of the new lamp posts – as no feedback had been received from Highways, regarding the replacement of the poor cobble work, it was resolved to send a letter to the MDDC Conservation Officer for support and to enquire as to whether the MDDC Enforcement Officer should now be involved.
- c. Traffic calming – mobile flashing speed signs. Following news that Latchmore Green, being part of Rewe parish (EDDC), may be getting a flashing mobile speed sign the Clerk was asked to make enquiries on costs and requirements for further review by Thorverton PC.
- d. School Lane zig zag lines – there was no update from C/Cllr Squires regarding the request to have these lines made shorter so as to meet the original agreement.
- e. Refilling of village salt/grit bins – due to the recent bad weather the village salt bins are now empty and Cllr Sims, the village snow warden, volunteered to contact DCC regarding supplies and to also request a new salt bin opposite the sheep dip due to the existing bin being broken.
- f. Pipe under the footpath from The Glebe to School Lane – no response had been received from Highways regarding the PC's request to have this pipe mended so as to help stop the flooding in wet weather.

**\*\* Please note that any Highways matters, such as potholes, can be reported by any member of the public via the MDDC website at <https://new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/>**

### **Planning Matters**

**Planning Application ref: 17/01716/FULL reinstatement of access and farm track to agricultural land at School Lane.** The Chairman had attended a site meeting in School Lane on 5<sup>th</sup> April, on behalf of the PC, and had put forward the PC's concerns regarding road safety. Following the suggestion of further inaccuracies on the official documents it was resolved that the PC write to MDDC to request a postponement of the application decision to enable further investigation into the matter.

### **Planning Applications:**

- i) **18/00517/NHH** 17 Cleaves Close, Thorverton, Prior Notification for the erection of an extension extending to 4m to the rear, maximum height 3.55m, eaves height 2.5m. Noted.
- ii) **18/00433/FULL** Tallet Barn, Heathfield Farm, Thorverton, variation of condition 2 of planning permission 16/00169/FULL to allow substitute plans. No comment.
- iii) **18/00228/HOUSE & LBC** The Old Post Office, School Lane, Thorverton, erection of an extension and conversion of existing outbuilding to storage use and demolition of lean-to storage buildings. It was resolved to support this application.

### **Planning Decisions:**

- i) **18/00069/FULL** Dipfield, Thorverton, retention of change of use from garage to studio holiday accommodation. Granted.
- ii) **18/00096/FULL** Pit Farm, Thorverton, conversion of barn to dwelling. Granted.

**Allotment for hire** – if you would like to rent a village allotment please get in touch as soon as possible.

**Your Parish Councillors:** Nick Bright (Chairman), Stuart Crang (Vice Chairman), John Hodge, Neville Lane, Hilary Lawson, David Reigate, Graham Sims, John Spivey, Robert Turner and David Waldron.