

## **THORVERTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Listed below are some points raised at the Parish Council (PC) meeting held in March 2019. The latest meeting Minutes can be viewed on the notice board in School Lane and on the website. The next meeting will take place on **9<sup>th</sup> April 2019, 7.30pm, Thorverton Memorial Hall.**

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**Annual Parish Meeting:** This year's Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30pm, at the Thorverton Memorial Hall and everyone is welcome to attend. Why not come along to 'have your say' on what is happening in the parish and/or to hear about what is planned for the next year or two. Refreshments will be provided.

**Hulk Lane Bridleway:** The Parish Council is to continue to try to secure a meeting with Devon County Council to find out why the Public Bridleway has not yet been confirmed. It is hoped that more news on this matter will be available in the next edition of Focus.

**New Cemetery:** The result of the Heritage Lottery Fund application is now awaited and, if successful, will allow plans to move forward. It is hoped that, funds permitting, the required Geophysical Survey of the site, off Dark Lane, will take place in June/July and that the community based Archaeological Dig will follow in September. Over 60 volunteers have now shown an interest in helping with the Dig. Watch this space for more news!

**Helicopter Night Landing Site (DAAT):** The 2<sup>nd</sup> March fund raising event was such a success that sufficient funds are now in place to see the project through to the end. Thanks go to the Memorial Hall Committee for helping to organise the event, for not charging for the venue, and for donating profits made. Thanks also go to local band 'Stay Lucky' who performed for no fee and who kept everyone dancing all night! Thank you also to any other volunteers who gave up their time to help out and to those who have given so generously towards the required funding. The overall project cost is £6,223.00 with the Parish Council needing to find £3,227.00 of this and with the Devon Air Ambulance Trust covering the remainder. To date parish council funding towards this project stands at £3,536.00 with a cheque from the Memorial Hall still pending. Planning permission, from MDDC, for the lighting pole is expected to be granted shortly which will allow the project to be completed.

### **Planning Applications and Decisions:**

- a) 19/00280/HOUSE & LBC** alterations to dwelling and demolition of existing outbuildings at The Meads, Thorverton. It was resolved to submit 'no comment' on this application.
- b) 19/00393/CAT** notification of intention to remove one Ilex tree within a Conservation Area at St Thomas of Canterbury Churchyard, The Bury, Thorverton. It was resolved to support this application.
- c) 19/00037/HOUSE** formation of a hardstanding at Stone Bungalow, Thorverton. Granted.
- d) 18/01944/LBC** listed building consent to install railings and balustrade to existing steps at Court Barton, 19 Silver Street, Thorverton. Granted.
- d) 18/01904/FULL** erection of a dwelling and associated parking off Jericho Street, Thorverton. Granted.

**Volunteer Litter Picker:** Can you lend a hand to help keep the parish free of litter? If you are interested in this task the Parish Council would like to hear from you as it is looking for a volunteer 'litter picker'. Protective equipment, such as gloves and a jacket, would be provided along with a litter picker 'grabber' and rubbish bags. Contact the Clerk, Alison Marshall, on [thorvertonpc@gmail.com](mailto:thorvertonpc@gmail.com) for more details or speak to a Parish Councillor.

**Speedwatch Annual Meeting:** the first annual meeting of Speedwatch took place on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019 and it was reported that attendees included the Speedwatch Team and 4 members of the parish council and that no Police representative was available. The Parish Council was encouraged to know that the Speedwatch Team are working together to make the village a safer place, for both pedestrians and drivers, by pointing out the speed limit along Silver Street. There had been 44 sessions undertaken throughout the year and a large number of first incident letters had been sent to drivers by the Police. It was noted that Lynch Road may be added to the rota later this year. The Parish Council agreed to continue supporting Speedwatch and thanked all involved for the ongoing commitment.

**Parish Councillors:** Nick Bright, Stuart Crang, John Hodge, Neville Lane, Hilary Lawson, David Reygate, Graham Sims, John Spivey, Robert Turner and David Waldron. Your name here?