

THORVERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Listed below are some points raised at the Parish Council meeting held on February 11th 2020. Meeting Minutes can be viewed on the notice board in School Lane and on the website. The next meeting will take place on **10th March 2020, 7.30pm, Thorverton Memorial Hall.**
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Report a Pothole: The recent wet weather has impacted on the pothole issue around the parish. All residents are encouraged to report any potholes, or any Highways issues, to Devon County Council by way of the on-line 'report a problem' page which can be found by using this link https://www.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/map/map_src/poth/ The instructions are easy to follow in that there is a map for you to pinpoint the pothole/other issue and space to type information should you wish to elaborate. It is understood that priority is given to potholes that have been reported a number of times so please take a few minutes to report any that you find. You can also report all highways matters by phone on 0345 155 1004.

Thorverton Parish Council – vacancy for a Parish Councillor: Do you care about your community, have some time to put to a good cause, have knowledge and expertise which could benefit the parish, what to make a difference in the local area and want to ensure the voices of local people are heard? If so, you could be a Parish Councillor so why not apply? Application forms can be obtained from the Clerk and the closing date is 9am on 10th March 2020. It is expected that a new Councillor will be co-opted at the March 10th Parish Council meeting.

Planning applications and decisions: 20/00113/FULL application and listed building consent for the erection of a single storey extension following removal of a conservatory at Wee Cottage, Bullen Street, Thorverton. It was resolved to submit no comment on this application.

Allotment for hire: If you are looking for a bigger garden, or room to grow more fruit and veg, then why not take on a village allotment? There are a number of allotments available for hire at £10 per annum, plus a refundable deposit of £25.00, so if you are interested, and are a parish resident, contact the Clerk for more information.

A second Defibrillator for Thorverton village: It has been resolved that, at some stage in the near future, a second Defibrillator will be purchased for the top end of the village. Further consideration needs to be given to the siting of the machine and any associated fund raising. Watch this space for more news.

Handyman duties: Due to the on-set of spring several new duties have been added to the Handyman's duty list including small pothole filling, weeding the Jubilee Green and Quarry car park flower beds, clearing the mud on the road just past Raddon Court and trying to remove the graffiti which has recently appeared around the village. The Police are investigating the graffiti matter - if you have any information on this please contact the Police or a member of the Parish Council. Any other areas around the village in need of Handyman attention can be reported to the Clerk.

Emergency Plan: The Emergency Plan, being a work in progress and quite a lengthy document, has been updated and a copy of this can be found on the website. There is also a 'householders' checklist' available, for quick reference, which can be found on the website and at the Post Office and WI Hut. Hard copy documents can be requested from the Clerk.

Grant funding: Funding of £200.00 has been granted to the Citizens Advice Bureau, in recognition of the ongoing services provided to the local community, and £750.00 has been granted to Thorverton Parochial Church Council towards the ongoing costs of Churchyard maintenance.

Your Parish Council members:

Neville Lane (Chairman), Bob Deed (Vice Chairman), Stuart Crang, Andrew Foster, Rob Flatt, John Hodge, Graham Sims, David Waldron and Keely Wells. Clerk - Alison Marshall. Handyman - Neville Matthews.