

THORVERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Below is a synopsis of the draft Minutes from the Extraordinary Parish Council meeting held on 20th March 2020. There will be no meeting in April, due to the Covid 19 outbreak, but a virtual 'on-line' meeting will be held in May. The May meeting agenda will be published on-line and on the School Lane notice board, as usual. Alison Marshall, Clerk.

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Synopsis of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 20th March 2020:

Covid-19 - Thorverton Local Support Network

- A local Community Support Group was now in place.
- Cllr Hodge had been working with members of the Covid 19 parish support group to assemble a pool of volunteers through the WhatsApp, Facebook and Nextdoor facilities.
- Cards had been printed and circulated to volunteers for distribution through all parish letterboxes, offering the volunteer's name and telephone number in case of need of help.
- Councillor Lane had attended a meeting of many different organisations trying to help people in Mid Devon.

After discussion it was agreed that the established group of volunteers should continue to lead on this matter (co-ordinated by the three lead volunteers) as the Parish Council cannot always act quickly enough to changing situations and as several Councillors are in the "vulnerable" category. The establishment of an emergency Community Fund was also considered.

It was Resolved that Thorverton Parish Council would support the Thorverton C-19 Group with the Chairman representing the Parish Council on its management team.

It was Resolved to make up to £500 available as an "Emergency C-19 Fund", with any expenditure to be approved by the Clerk in consultation with Councillors Foster and Waldron, who would act on behalf of the Parish Council in supporting the Clerk with administering any payments.

It was Resolved that the Clerk would have delegated authority to make day to day decisions during the Covid 19 outbreak in order that the Parish Council continues to function and priorities continue to be covered; to cancel Parish Council Meetings or to make amendments to the running of them in accordance with Government guidelines; to pay employees' salaries and to pay any invoices relating to approved expenditure (all payments to be signed by two authorised signatories as usual).

Planning applications and decisions (received up to 14th April):

- i) 20/00019/FULL siting of 5 holiday lodges at Kitlake Farm, Stockleigh Pomeroy.
- ii) 20/00456/FULL erection of dwelling following demolition of garage block at Dark Lane, Thorverton.
- iii) 20/00465/FULL erection of 2 storey extension and alterations to existing dwelling following demolition of garage, retention access, erection of garage/store/sheep shelter and ancillary attic space with associated landscaping, at Higher Mill, Thorverton.
- iv) 17/01652/FULL retention of widening of two existing farm gateways, one to include associated engineering works, at junctions of Hulk Lane and School Lane and land at School Lane, Thorverton.
- v) 20/00488/CAT notification of intention to fell 1 Japanese Larch tree within the Conservation Area at 14 Silver Street, Thorverton.
- vi) 20/00244/PNCOU prior notification for the change of use of an agricultural building to 2 dwellings under Class Q at Lodge Farm, Brampford Speke. Approved.
- vii) 20/00113/LBC listed building consent for erection of a single storey extension following removal of a conservatory at Wee Cottage, Bullen Street, Thorverton. Granted.
- viii) 20/00225/FULL erection of a conservatory at 33 Broadlands, Thorverton. Granted.

Your Parish Council members:

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