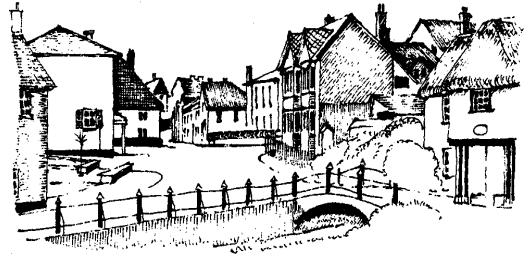


## Thorverton Parish Council

The information in this report has been extracted from the meeting minutes of February 9<sup>th</sup> 2021. The full minutes can be found on the Parish Council's Website or on the noticeboard in School Lane. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021 by way of Zoom. Clerk: Alison Marshall

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**Report a Problem to DCC Highways:** Potholes, blocked drains, street light issues and much more can be reported to DCC Highways by using this on-line link: [www.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem](http://www.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem)

**Speeding vehicles:** Due to reports of an increase in speeding vehicles in the village it was resolved to investigate the '20 is Plenty' scheme to see whether this would be appropriate for Thorverton. Details on this can be found elsewhere in Focus and you are invited to have your say.

**School Lane junction safety mirror:** A response from DCC Highways was awaited. It was resolved to request a site meeting with DCC Highways in order that solutions to this issue, and others, could be discussed.

**Buses turning at Broadlands:** Stagecoach had confirmed that their bus drivers had been asked to take more care when turning at the Broadlands junction to avoid the grass verges being churned up, but no improvement had been seen. Deterrents were discussed and C/Cllr Squires advised that signs, bollards or large boulders would not be permitted by DCC Highways. This matter would be discussed at the requested site meeting with DCC Highways.

**Recreation Ground:** The new mower is due to arrive in early April. Anyone interested in purchasing the old ride-on-mower should contact the Clerk by 5pm on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021 ([thorvertonpc@gmail.com](mailto:thorvertonpc@gmail.com) or 01392 861228).

**Footpaths:** Way posts have been installed on the fields adjacent to Parliament Cottage clearly indicating the agreed route. A fold out map is to be produced showing the parish footpaths and will be available in local outlets. If you have any photographs of favourite local walks that you would be happy to have featured in the new leaflet please submit them to Cllr Andrew Foster at [Andrew.foster@ctc-consultants.com](mailto:Andrew.foster@ctc-consultants.com)

**Definitive Map Review:** It was reported that DCC had reviewed the local footpaths in the 1990s and that there were only two further paths, near Lee Cross and Prowse's Barn, that are likely to form part of the final decision in 2025. It was noted that the footpath at Parliament Cottage had been tidied up to a great extent.

**New bench in memory of Sybil Tulloch Dec'd:** Sybil's family have donated a lovely new wooden bench in her memory, for all to use, which will be located in the Barliabins area, off Dark Lane, overlooking the car park.

**March 2021 Census:** Full information can be found on the MDDC or Parish Council websites.

**Second Defibrillator:** The second defibrillator should be in place at the WI Hut by the time you read this note. The first machine is located outside of the Doctors Surgery in The Bury. Thank you once again to all those who contributed funds in order to make the purchase of the second machine possible.

**Electric car charging point:** The possibility of a facility in the car park is being investigated.

**Dog fouling:** The ever increasing issue of dog fouling around the village was discussed and a review of village dog and rubbish bins would feature on next month's meeting agenda. As there is little that the PC can do about this matter residents are asked to contact MDDC direct with any issues, and evidence if possible, as MDDC is able to issue substantial fines to irresponsible dog owners.

**Aims of Thorverton Parish Council:** The document has been reviewed and updated. A copy can be found on the Parish Council's website.

**New Cemetery:** It was resolved to contract HL Architects Ltd to support with the planning application process.

**Next meeting:** March 9<sup>th</sup> 2021, 7pm, by way of Zoom. The joining instructions can be obtained from the Clerk or located on the meeting agenda. All are welcome to attend to have a say or just to listen in.

**Your Parish Council:** Neville Lane (Chairman), Andrew Foster (Vice Chairman), Stuart Crang, Sam Fice, John Hodge, Adam McKee, Trevor Sanders, Graham Sims, David Waldron and Keeley Wells. Clerk: Alison Marshall. Handyman: Neville Matthews.