Additional Information for Tuesday 10th June 2025

- 1 Election of Chair
- 2 Declarations of Interest
- 3 Apologies for absence
- 4 Public Open Session 15 minutes for members of the public to raise any issue of concern, 5 minutes maximum per speaker

5 Minutes

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 13th May 2025

6 Reports

6.1 County Cllr Keable

- 1. Following the May 1 Devon County Council election, a new Liberal Democrat-led administration was formed at the first Council meeting on 22 May with a Green Independent Cabinet Member is the Cabinet of nine. The political Group composition of the Council is as follows:
- ☐ Liberal Democrat: 27
- ☐ Reform UK: 18
- □ Conservative: 7
- ☐ Green & Independent: 8
- 2. Cabinet role with lead Member:

Council Leader Cllr Julian Brazil, Cabinet Member for Children's Service –

Education and learning (excluding SEND): to include the Council's functions as local education authority, particularly in respect of

schools, provision of learning services, school planning, school transport and early years services.

Adult Services Cllr Richard Keeling - Responsible the Council's statutory duties under Social Services legislation relating to the care of adults. This includes commissioning of integrated social care and health services and working with the NHS and other statutory partners for the delivery of services. Responsible for protection, safeguarding and harm reduction services and services for families with complex needs as well as support for carers.

Assets & Resources, Cllr Simon Clist – Responsible for the 'One Devon Estate'

including land, property, use of assets, the development of estates, including the schools' and education property portfolio and the Farms Estate. The provision of trading standards and consumer protection and emergency planning functions.

Responsible for the Armed Forces Covenant, strategic workforce (HR) issues and the corporate functions of legal, democratic, information governance, customer engagement (including CSC) and digital transformation of the Council. Also overseeing economic development

of the County, employment opportunities and supporting initiatives to reduce homelessness.

Children's Services (SEND), Cllr Denise Bickley - Responsible for Children's Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and inclusion services and for services to children with special educational needs and disabilities. This includes assessment, provision, and commissioning of SEND services. Also fulfilling the Council's lead role relating to post-16 education, training, and skills for employment in educational settings.

Children's Services, Social Services, Cllr Richard Jefferies – Responsibility for the Council's statutory functions, powers and duties in relation to children's social care: to include strategic commissioning of integrated services for children & young people, for child protection and harm reduction services, the Youth Offending Service, children in care and support for young carers.

Climate Change & Diodiversity, Cllr Jacqui Hodgson - Responsible for the Council's commitment to Climate Change and Green initiatives and the principles of the Devon Climate Declaration, including carbon reduction and working in partnership to achieve this. Responsible for coast protection planning and those services which enhance residents'

quality of life including countryside management, heritage, biodiversity and conservation. The remit includes services which safeguard individuals in communities: flooding and waste management including recycling. The provision of public transport services, including rail and for the implementation of schemes relating to walking and cycling routes and Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIP's).

Finance, Cllr James Buczkowski - Responsibility for the Council's finances, capital programme, annual budget setting, medium and long-term financial planning, budget monitoring, year-end closure of accounts and Treasury Management activities. To oversee the Council's Corporate Procurement Strategy and Procurement Codes and maintain an overview of overall contract performance on behalf of the Council. To oversee the continuous improvement of performance and risk management across the Council.

Highways, Cllr Dan Thomas – Responsible for the Council's duties as a Highway Authority, taking account of road safety, asset management of the highway network and the implementation of highways schemes. Also responsible for infrastructure planning generally and delivering major infrastructure schemes, excluding public transport.

Local Government Reorganisation & Deputy Leader), Cllr Paul Arnott -Strategic lead for Local Government Reorganisation and planning for future structures and responsibilities, including working with partners to ensure the best outcome for Devon and its residents. The Councils liaison with South West Water (SWW) to raise concerns on water quality issues, forge partnerships and hold SWW accountable for environmental standards and / or regulatory requirements.

Rural Affairs & Broadband, Cllr Cheryl Cottle-Hunkin - Responsible for a range of rural affairs and services, including broadband infrastructure development, rural connectivity initiatives and services that support digital and community connectivity. Also overseeing services which build stronger communities such as adult learning services, libraries and archives, registration services and the statutory duties in relation to youth services. In addition, those services that reduce community inequalities, including collaboration with voluntary and community organisations. Responsibility for the discharge of the Council's public health functions, health protection and promoting the health and wellbeing of the public. Also, responsible for the Council's

statutory responsibilities in relation to equality, diversity and inclusion and also policies in relation to gypsy and travellers.

1. Mid Devon District Council has achieved its highest-ever ranking for waste and recycling performance, thanks to the continued efforts of residents to reduce waste and recycle more.

For the year 2023/24, the district council recorded a recycling rate of 57.9%, placing it 11 out of 197 local authorities. Mid Devon also achieved a non-recyclable waste figure of 307.8kg per household, ranking ninth and placing the district within the top 5% of local authorities nationwide. https://www.middevon.gov.uk/mid-devon-achieves-best-ever-waste-and-recycling-results/

2. Mid Devon District Council's 2025 Green Enterprise Grant is now available to small and medium businesses in the district. The Green Enterprise Grant scheme offers capital grants from £500 to £5,000, covering up to 50% of eligible project costs. Funded by Mid Devon District Council, it is open to small and medium sized local businesses who want to reduce their carbon footprint by investing in energy efficiency and renewable energy, or by

efficient use of resources or materials. https://www.middevon.gov.uk/grants-now-available-to-help-mid-devon-businesses-go-green/

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6.2 District Cllr Roberts

6.3 Saturday Market

- 7 Planning, Consultations and Events
- 7.1 Planning Decisions
- 7.1.1 25/00464/HOUSE 57 Silver St 2 storey side extension APPROVED

- 7.2 Planning Applications
- 7.2.1 <u>25/00690/CLU</u>
 Perry Barn, Perry Farm Certificate Lawfulness for dwelling
- 7.2.2 <u>25/00709/FULL</u>

 Thorverton Cricket Club New cricket pavilion

7.2.3 <u>25/00539/HOUSE</u> Bell Cottage, The Bury Erection of a porch

7.2.4 <u>25/00748/CLU</u> Overshed EX5 5PS Certificate Lawfulness for dwelling

7.3 Consultations

7.3.1 Thorverton Pre-School Change of leadership Email from Exec. Principal, Exe Valley and Moorsway Federation

I have attached a letter from me explaining that the Committee of Thorverton Preschool have approached the Exe Valley and Moorsway Federation to ask us to take over running the preschool from 1st Sept 2025.

The proposal report is also attached to this email and explains how you can contribute to the consultation for this change.

Please could you bring this to the attention of your Parish Councillors and let me know of any comments or use the consultation email address.

7.4 Events

7.4.1 Armed Forces Day Event at MDDC From MDDC

Please find attached an invitation for anyone from the Parish or Town Council to attend the raising of the Armed Forces Day Flag on Monday 23rd June 2025 at 10.00am at the Offices of Mid Devon District Council.

7.4.2 Planning Training From MDDC

I write to confirm that the Planning Training for Town and Parish Councils will take place on Monday 28th July at 5.30pm and will aim to finish around 7pm.

8 Projects

8.1 New Cemetery

NEW CEMETERY WORKING GROUP MEETING 27th May 2025

1. Group informed that the council has decided to submit a planning application using the previous plans and the group can revisit the additional lay-by idea should it become necessary.

The group would like all the excess road side vegetation cleared and kept clear for better access.

- 2. Council agreed to change the present bin to a multi use bin instead of single use and for the group to look at best positioning in that area so that it would be beneficial to all users.
- 3. The group looked at the two new gates and were informed by the architect that due to the slope of the land a 2m/2.4m gate would be more appropriate with rising hinges. The group agreed that the style should be simple and fitting for the rural location.
- 4. Preliminary internal layout.

Andrew showed the group his preliminary drawing of the cemetery which was liked. The group has asked for a couple of minor changes

before bringing to council for approval, which Andrew has agreed to do and will email us.

John Hodge will contact SWW re costs for connecting water to the area.

Type, size of headstone was also discussed which led to a deeper conversation of cemetery rules. The group has agreed to look further at the three examples they have and at the next meeting formalise those rules to go back to council for approval.

The group also thought that to future proof the area that instead of consecrating the whole/part of the cemetery that at each burial if requested, the official taking the burial could consecrate that grave. Tim is double checking that this will be permitted.

- 5. Michael has checked with the fencing company for a start date, they are coming back to him.
- 6. Archaeological site board. Bry to get examples of others in the area for comparison.

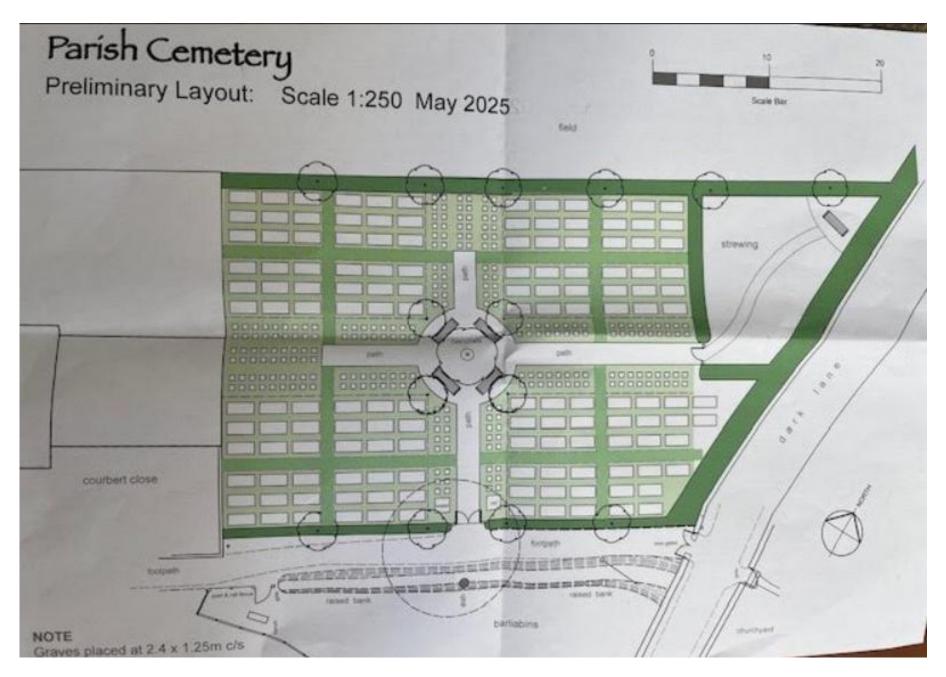
Cost - group would like to know spend amount and if there is any preferred wording from national lottery. Search for companies,

7. The group will initially approach a couple of known builders for quotes for widening the gateway onto dark lane.

The group is conscious of the possible short time scale, as Tim has confirmed there are only two burial spaces remaining in the churchyard.

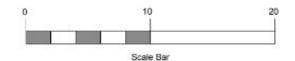
- 8. The group will look for hedging from charities such as woodland trust.
- 9. The group would like the Clerk to have the training required to manage the cemetry asap.

The next two pages show possible cemetery layouts



Parish Cemetery

Preliminary Layout: Scale 1:250 May 2025





8.2 Subscription to the Rural Services Network Email from RSN

Thanks for making contact and expressing an interest in membership we'd love for you to join us.

The cost of annual membership for an organisation of your type is £52.50+VAT and you would fall under our Rural Village Services Group (RVSG) membership.

To find our more visit: https://www.rsnonline.org.uk/page/rural-village-services-group

Membership benefits include:

- . Weekly Rural Bulletin delivered to your inbox setting out key rural news stories.
- Monthly Funding Digest highlighting potential sources of funding and grants for you and your local organisations.
- . Sharing your news and good practice with the RVSG group and the wider RSN and learning from others.

- Dedicated Rural Village Service Group newsletter six times a year.
- A bespoke annual meeting for Councillors and Clerks of the group to share best practice and contribute to RSN campaigning work.

If membership is of interest to you, please complete the attached form and I can arrange an invoice to be sent to you.

8.3 Food Truck in the Quarry Car Park Facebook post refers

8.4 Grant request from the South West Ambulance NHS Foundation Trust

8.5 Barliabins

Barliabins WG Meeting: 3rd June 2025

1. The group has now received a start date from the contractor of 7th July 2025and he has requested a site meeting before which Colin will arrange with him.

Colin will inform neighbouring properties of start date.

2. We discussed suitable trees for the area and at present are favouring:

Crab apple, Rowan, Orange Blossom, Elderflower and Cherry tree. Trevor will contact a Horticultural Society colleague to ask his opinion/ suggestions for this size area and whether our thinking is good.

We need to liaise with the school and it is hoped that the five trees could be planted by a class each. We would like to approach the garden club at the school to see if this would be an appropriate way forward and for future interest.

It is also hoped that once the initial works are completed the larger Barliabins group can come together to look at additional planting etc.

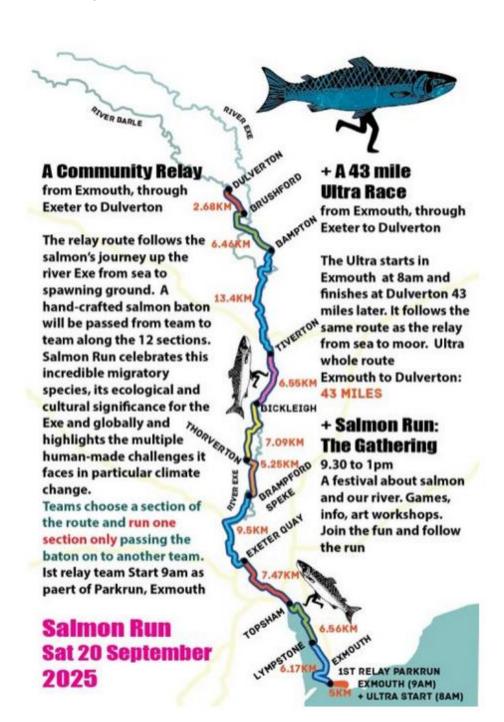
3. Furniture -This is the type of table we think would be right for the area. We are double checking other suppliers for price and guarantee. We think grey, green or brown



would be the preferred colour choice. A second similar bench or table would also be required at some point.

- 4. Plan & grant award information to be forwarded to group. BU
- 5. The group request that the handyman spray the area in preparation for the works to begin. Also the trees on the bank need trimming.
- 6. The group request the S106 monies is drawn down.

8.5 Salmon Run 2025



8.7 Allotments Allotment 4



Allotment 22



- 9 Recreation Ground
- 9.1 Financial Report for May
- 9.2 Basketball Hoop & Surface
- 9.3 Damage from footballs & grant for nets
 Email from Thorverton Football Club
 I have finally caught up on the minutes, so now understand the
 parish council are wanting us to lead on obtaining S106 funding to
 obtain nets behind the goal of the homeowner that has compained.

The 8 April 2025 meeting notes mentioned that Cllr Uglow had some grant information that was to be forwarded to us - do you know where I can find this? I will then get started on the grant funding.

Re dogs attending games, I have added wording to the attacehd letter I email to opposing club secretaries. Please could you circulate this to the councillors. I am happy to add further wording as they see fit.

I still believe I am not going to be able to 100% eradicate this issue, as many clubs will not forward the message on or people attending will not necessarily be directly related to the club giving the messages; nevertheless it may help.

The parish council may not know but we are forming a U14 team for the forthcoming season. Kyle Laskey, a village resident, is the new manager, with myself being the child safeguarding officer. If any councillors know of anyone (boy or girl - it is still mixed gender), please let them know to contact us via facebook or instagram. All in the age range are welcome.

- 9.4 Lottery Bid
- 9.5 Information & No Dogs Sign

- 10 Grounds Maintenance
- 10.1 Contractor Work for the month incl Barliabins
- 10.2 Cobbles

11 Council Administration

11.1 Election of Vice-Chair and Allocation of Working Group Roles Roles allocated at June 2024 meeting

12 Allocation of Councillor Responsibilities & Working Group Roles

Council allocated the roles as follows:

Responsibilities

Focus – Cllr Foster
School – Cllr Price
Social Media – Cllr Foster
Memorial Hall – Cllr Uglow
Recreation Ground – Cllr Sims
Highways & Footpaths – Cllr Shelton
Speedwatch – Cllr Sims
Allotments – Cllr Shelton
Snow Warden – Cllr Marshall

CLT Board Councillor - Cllr Uglow

Working Groups

New Cemetery - Cllr Hodge, Cllr Uglow, Mr S Fice, Mr N Bright & Mr M Ayre Staffing – Cllr Foster, Cllr Price Planning & s106 Funding – Cllr Crang Grant Giving - Cllr Hodge & Cllr Marshall Village Leats – Cllr Crang Barliabins - Cllr Uglow, Cllr Marshall, J Wills, T Sanders, L Colebrook, J Cornish, J Hole, K Marshall & C Turner Rec Refurbishment - Cllrs Marshall. Price, Sims & Uglow, C Dula, N Fice, C Giles. H Lampard, T Sanders, A Saunders, S Trebble-Smith & Jan Wills. Library – Cllr Nightingale Managed Biodiversity - Cllr Nightingale

11.2 Review of Council Orders and Policies DALC Newsletter #16 2025



Updated Model Standing Orders

The Model Standing Orders provide a comprehensive framework of procedural rules for parish and town councils in England.

Updated
Standing
Orders

These standing orders are essential for regulating the conduct of council meetings and ensuring orderly and efficient governance. They include mandatory legal requirements and optional guidelines that parish and town councils can adopt or modify to suit their needs. Parish and town councils can ensure transparency, accountability, and consistency in their operations by adhering to these standing orders.

<u>Updated</u> <u>Financial</u> <u>Regulations</u>

NALC has updated <u>Model Standing Order (England) 18</u> to comply with new procurement legislation and ensure consistency with the <u>Model Financial Regulations</u>. The changes are to 18.a.v, 18.c, 18.d, and 18.f. The new Model has also been updated to better reflect Code of Conduct requirements; 14.a, 14.b, and 14.c have been removed.

<u>Updated Risk</u> <u>Assessment</u>

NALC has also changed the language in the document to gender-neutral terms to align with our policy and the Civility and Respect Project.

- 11.3 Financial Authorisation Completed at May's meeting
- 11.4 Dates and Times of Meetings for the coming year Completed at May's meeting

12 Accounts 12.1.1 Accounts for 2024-25

| | ANNUAL A | CCOUNTS - | - THORV | ERTON PAR | ISH COUNCIL 2024-25 | |
|----------------------------------|---|----------------|-------------|---|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Bank Statements | Current Acct | Reserve Acct | Other | Total | Payments & Receipts | Total |
| Opening balances 1st April 2024 | £ 24,748.60 | £ 37,288.87 | | £ 62,037.47 | Opening balances 1st April 2021 | £ 62,037.4 |
| | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | | | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | Payments | £ 34,629.5 |
| | | | | | Receipts | £ 27,292.9 |
| Closing Balances 31st March 2025 | £ 16,884.33 | £ 37,816.54 | | £ 54,700.87 | Closing Balances 31st March 2022 | £ 54,700.8 |
| · | | | | | Imbalance | |
| Illocated Reserves at 01-Apr-24 | | 1 | | | Allocated Reserves at 31-Mch-25 | |
| lew Cemetery Funding | £ 28,562.00 | | | | New Cemetery Funding | £ 18,417.0 |
| Defibrillator Funding | £ - | | | | Defibrillator Funding | £ - |
| Night Landing Site Funding | £ 1,068.00 | | | | Night Landing Site Funding | £ 1,068.0 |
| Covid Funding | £ 487.85 | | | | Covid Funding | £ 372.3 |
| lay Equipment Funding | £ 6,000.00 | | | | Play Equipment Funding | £ 9,732.0 |
| ool Store Funding | £ 2,700.00 | | | | Tool Store Funding | £ - |
| lections | £ 2,000.00 | | | | Elections | £ 2,000.0 |
| Allotment Deposits | £ 450.00 | | | | Allotment Deposits | £ 525.0 |
| Arch Dig Interpretation Board | £ 2,310.00 | | | | Arch Dig Interpretation Board | £ 2,310.0 |
| | | | | | Charging Points | £ 2,000.0 |
| | | | | | | |
| Total | £ 43,577.85 | | | | Total | £ 36,424.3 |
| General Reserve | | | | | General Reserve | |
| Bank Balance - Ringfenced Resrvs | £ 18,459.62 | | | | Bank Balance - Ringfenced Resrvs | £ 18,276.5 |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Approved by Thorverton Parish Counc | cil |
| Prepared by | | | | | | |
| | | | | . Signed | | |
| | Jim Roberts | | | | | |
| | Clerk & Resp | onsible Financ | ial Officer | | Cllr | |
| | Thorverton P | | | Chair | | |
| | | | | | Citali | |
| | Date 9 Jul | ne 2025 | | Data | | |

12.2.2 Budget Review – 2024–25 Full Year

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|--------------|------|----------|--------------|---------|---|--------|---------|--------|---|------------------------|--------|---------|--------|---|--------------------|
| 2024-25 | | | | 2023-24 | | | 2022-23 | | | 2020-21 | | 2019-20 | 2 | | |
| Qtr 4 Actual | et | Budget | | Actual | A | udget | В | Actual | | | Actual | , | Actual | | Detail |
| - | | | Ť | | | | | | | | | | | | Payments |
| £ 7,893 | ,500 | £ 7,500 | 0 £ | 5,780 | £ | 6,540 | £ | 7,222 | £ | Staff Costs | 9,205 | £ | 7,245 | £ | Salaries |
| £ 1,814 | ,500 | £ 1,500 | 0 £ | 820 | £ | 2,310 | £ | 1,437 | £ | Administration | 158 | £ | 22 | £ | Home Working |
| £ 1,980 | ,000 | £ 3,000 | 5 £ | 2,015 | £ | 3,350 | £ | 3,509 | £ | Prsh Mntnce - cntrctr | 2,822 | £ | 3,024 | £ | Administration |
| £ 671 | ,000 | £ 2,000 | 6 | 1,306 | £ | 1,000 | £ | 2,971 | £ | Prsh Mntnce - matrls | 1,087 | £ | 1,641 | £ | Parish Maintenance |
| £ 2,770 | ,250 | £ 1,250 | 0 £ | 680 | £ | 250 | £ | 933 | £ | Recreation Ground | 285 | £ | 489 | £ | Recreation Ground |
| £ 291 | 250 | £ 250 | 8 £ | 238 | £ | 200 | £ | 255 | £ | Allotments | 125 | £ | 280 | £ | Allotments |
| £ 1,300 | ,250 | £ 1,250 | 5 £ | 875 | £ | 1,000 | £ | 1,097 | £ | Grant Giving | 900 | £ | 1,650 | £ | Grants Given |
| £ 832 | ,000 | £ 1,000 | 6 f | 746 | £ | 600 | £ | 719 | £ | Insurance | 5,503 | £ | 4,855 | £ | VAT |
| £ 390 | 500 | £ 500 | 0 £ | 440 | £ | 350 | £ | 323 | £ | Annual Subs | 31,809 | £ | 21,451 | £ | Miscellaneous |
| £ - | 500 | £ 500 | f | - | £ | - | £ | - | £ | Legal fees | - | £ | - | £ | Elections |
| £ 60 | 750 | £ 750 | 2 £ | 402 | £ | 250 | £ | 114 | £ | Training | | | | | |
| £ - | - | £- | 8 | 668 | £ | 600 | £ | 688 | £ | Garage rental | | | | | |
| £ 10,145 | - | £- | £ | - | £ | - | £ | 1,140 | £ | New Cemetery | | | | | |
| £ - | - | £ - | f | | | - | £ | 2,000 | £ | Arch. Dig(-23) Housing | | | | | |
| £ - | - | £ - | f | - | £ | - | £ | | - | Elections | | | | | |
| £ 7,099 | | | 4 | 494 | £ | - | £ | | - | Affrdble Housing | | | | | |
| £ 2,500 | ,500 | £ 2,500 | 0 £ | 1,000 | £ | 1,000 | £ | | - | New Play Equipment | | | | | |
| £ - | - | £ - | 0 £ | 1,000 | £ | 1,000 | £ | | - | Charging Points | | | | | |
| £ - | - | £ - | f | - | £ | 1,000 | £ | | - | General Reserves | | | | | |
| £ 37,745 | .000 | £ 22,000 | 4 6 | 16,464 | £ | 19,450 | £ | 22,408 | £ | | 51,893 | £ | 40,658 | £ | Total |

12.2 AGAR Internal Audit incl Report

12.3 AGAR Governance

We acknowledge as the members of:

Thorverton Parish Council

our responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control, including arrangements for the preparation of the Accounting Statements. We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2025, that:

| | Agr | eed | | | |
|--|-----|-----|---|--|--|
| | Yes | No* | 'Yes' means that this authority: | | |
| We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements. | | | prepared its accounting statements in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations. | | |
| We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness. | | | made proper arrangements and accepted responsibility for safeguarding the public money and resources in its charge. | | |
| We took all reasonable steps to assure ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this authority to conduct its business or manage its finances. | | | has only done what it has the legal power to do and has complied with Proper Practices in doing so. | | |
| 4. We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations. | | | during the year gave all persons interested the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about this authority's accounts. | | |
| We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required. | | | considered and documented the financial and other risks it faces and dealt with them properly. | | |
| We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems. | | | arranged for a competent person, independent of the financial controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whether internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority. | | |
| We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit. | | | responded to matters brought to its attention by internal and external audit. | | |
| 8. We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements. | | | disclosed everything it should have about its business activity during the year including events taking place after the year end if relevant. | | |
| (For local councils only) Trust funds including charitable. In our capacity as the sole managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the fund(s)/assets, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit. | Yes | No | N/A has met all of its responsibilities where, as a body corporate, it is a sole managing trustee of a local trust or trusts. | | |

^{*}Please provide explanations to the external auditor on a separate sheet for each 'No' response and describe how the authority will address the weaknesses identified. These sheets must be published with the Annual Governance Statement.

Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2024/25 for

Thorverton Parish Council

| | Year e | ending | Notes and guidance | | |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|--|--|
| | 31 March 2024 £ | 31 March 2025 £ | Please round all figures to nearest £1. Do not leave any boxes blank and report £0 or Nil balances. All figures must agree to underlying financial records. | | |
| Balances brought forward | 53,615 | 62,036 | Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of previous year. | | |
| 2. (+) Precept or Rates and Levies | 17,763 | 20,529 | Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received. | | |
| 3. (+) Total other receipts | 5,121 | 6,764 | Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received. | | |
| 4. (-) Staff costs | 5,780 | 7,893 | Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include gross salaries and wages, employers NI contributions, employers pension contributions, gratuities and severance payments. | | |
| 5. (-) Loan interest/capital repayments | 0 | 0 | Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any). | | |
| 6. (-) All other payments | 8,683 | 26,736 | Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cash- book less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5). | | |
| 7. (=) Balances carried forward | 62,036 | 54,700 | Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) - (4+5+6). | | |
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| Total value of cash and short term investments | 62,037 | 54,701 | The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March – To agree with bank reconciliation. | | |
| Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets | 69,987 | 69,987 | The value of all the property the authority owns – it is made up of all its fixed assets and long term investments as at 31 March. | | |
| 10. Total borrowings | 0 | 0 | The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB). | | |

| For Local Councils Only | Yes | No | N/A | |
|---|-----|----|-----|---|
| 11a. Disclosure note re Trust funds (including charitable) | | | | The Council, as a body corporate, acts as sole trustee and is responsible for managing Trust funds or assets. |
| 11b. Disclosure note re Trust funds (including charitable) | | | | The figures in the accounting statements above exclude any Trust transactions. |

12.4 AGAR Accounting

12.5 Notice of Public Rights

Internal Audit Report for Thorverton Parish Council dated 2nd May 2024

The internal audit was carried out on the 30th April 2024 examining all pertinent documents after checking the website of Thorverton Parish Council.

Internal control objectives A to N were checked alongside other items pertinent to good governance of the council – comments as follows.

- 1) There are some policies which require reviewing annually according to your Standing Orders. These include the Internal Control Policy, all Risk Assessments, the Financial Regulations and the Standing Orders.
- 2) Councillors are still using personal email addresses for Council business. The Practitioners Guide for Governance and Accountability advises against this practice very strongly. All councillors should have a Council email address and I would hope this is put into place very soon.

These findings are attached to the Internal Audit report and should be published on the council website.

Penny Clapham

Penny Clapham PSLCC BA (Hons) Community Governance.

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13.1 Bank balance £ 61,635.27 (5<sup>th</sup> June 2025)

13.2 Payments To consider the following payments:

13.2.1 P Clapham Professional fees for internal audit £ 127.20

13.2.2 BRN Fitch Grounds Maint. in May inv BF20250055 £ 512.83

13.2.3 P Marshall Cobbles repair in The Bury £ 210.00

13.2.4 Hospiscare Grant (see 2025-05 p2 para 8.4.1) £ 100.00

13.2.5 Millenium Green Trust Grant (see 2025-05 p2-3 para 8.4.2) £ 50.00

13.2.6 J P Roberts Clerk pay for May £ 517.46

Reimbursement for cobbles repair materials £ 51.71 £ 569.17
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14 Next Meeting Tuesday 15th July 2025