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The Parish Councillors of THURSTON PARISH COUNCIL are summoned to attend the COUNCIL MEETING of the Parish Council on Wednesday 5th February 2020 commencing at 7.30 – 10.30pm latest in the Thurston Community Library, Norton Road, Thurston, IP31 3PB

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A G E N D A

1.	Opening including Statement	7.30
2.	Apologies – a) Council to receive apologies for absence b) Council to consent to accept apologies received	7.35
3.	Declarations of pecuniary and local non-pecuniary interests a) To receive declarations of pecuniary, local non-pecuniary interest(s) and personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature inc. gifts of hospitality exceeding £25 b) To receive declarations of lobbying for planning matters on the agenda c) To receive requests for dispensations	7.40
4.	a) To consider and approve the minutes of the following meetings: <i>(all as previously circulated)</i> . • Parish Council meeting 8 th January 2020 • Additional Parish Council Meeting of 22 nd January 2020	7.45
5.	Business remaining from previous meeting – to receive reports as an update only.	7.50
6.	PUBLIC FORUM – to receive reports for information • Report from County Councillor Penny Otton • Report from District Councillors Harry Richardson and Wendy Turner • Members of the public – to receive questions and matters of concern from those present.	7.50
7.	Police Matters – a) to receive a report from PCSO Smith on crimes relating to Thurston b) to receive village reports of concern for referral to Police	8.20
8.	Statutory Business – <i>to view associated papers please use the following web-link:</i> https://thurstonparishcouncil.uk/parish-council/agendas-and-minutes/ a) Council to receive nominations to the Policy & Resources Committee b) Council to note that with the resignation of two members of the 2/3rds elected at the 2019 elections it no longer fulfils the eligibility to carry out new projects under the General Power of Competence. c) Council to receive the Clerk's paper recommending a change in the manner in which the Council operates its committees and working groups given the number of vacancies currently being held d) Council to note that it currently holds three vacant positions in the role of Councillor e) Council to agree to a postcard drop to canvass for new members f) Council to note that the Clerk has resigned from the post of Editor for the Thurston Newsletter produced by St Peter's Church, supported by the Parish Council g) To note the correspondence received from the CEO of BMSDC proposing that a Community Governance Review of all the Parishes and Towns in the Babergh and Mid Suffolk district areas is conducted during 2020. h) Suffolk County Council (Parish of Thurston) (C691 Barton Road) (20 Mph Speed Limit and Revocation) Order 201- to receive a copy of the above draft Order, SCC's reasons for proposing to make the Order, the Notice that will shortly be published in the local Press, and a map or	8.25

	maps showing the road(s) affected.	
9.	<p>Youth Matters –</p> <p>a) To receive an update on the provision of a youth shelter within the grounds of New Green</p> <p>b) To receive an update on the establishment of a Youth Council</p>	8.45
10.	<p>To consider matters relating to Planning for Thurston:</p> <p>a) To consider the following planning applications: <i>none received</i>.</p> <p>b) To note planning applications determined by the local planning authority: <i>see Appendix A</i></p> <p>c) To note responses to previous planning comments submitted as statutory consultees: <i>Clerk to update where necessary</i>.</p> <p>d) To note matters arising from approved planning applications: <i>Clerk to update where necessary</i></p> <p>e) To receive an update from the MSDC Planning Referrals Committee Meeting of 29th January 2020</p> <p>f) Council to consider whether, in light of comments made by BMSDC's Chief Planning Officer - Sustainable Communities to the MSDC Planning Referrals Committee of 29th January 2020, a review of a) the wording under Chapter 4 Spatial Strategy and/or b) Policy 1 Thurston Spatial Strategy of the Thurston NDP is required</p> <p>g) Council to agree to seek legal clarification over the weight given to the Draft Joint Local Plan over the adopted Thurston NDP at the Planning Referrals Committee of 29th January 2020</p> <p>h) Council to consider whether to seek a legal opinion over the process of challenging the lawfulness of the decision taken by Mid Suffolk District Council at the MSDC Planning Referrals Committee</p> <p>i) Council to receive an update on the adoption of Public Open Space on College Park, Ixworth Road</p> <p>j) Council to consider submitting a response to the Great Barton Neighbourhood Plan – pre-submission consultation – Regulation 14 – consultation on its Draft Neighbourhood Plan – http://greatbarton.suffolk.cloud/neighbourhoodplan/</p> <p>k) Council to note the communication from Suffolk County Council on the Ipswich Northern Route: Strategic Outline Business Case published as district and borough councils are consulted on next steps – report to be submitted to SCC's Cabinet on 25th February 2020</p>	8.55
11.	<p>To consider matters relating to Network Rail:</p> <p>To receive an update on safety works / improvements to Thurston Railway Station – to note correspondence from the Route Level Crossing Manager (GE & Thameside), Network Rail</p>	9.20
12.	<p>Climate Change – to consider the paper submitted by Cllr. Turner and to agree to the following actions:</p> <p>a) To raise awareness of climate change and its likely impact on our everyday lives</p> <p>b) To develop an understanding of how small changes in the lifestyle of families and individuals can make a difference</p>	9.30
13.	<p>Finance -</p> <p>a) To approve the accounts awaiting payment (<i>see Appendix A</i>) including those coming forth</p> <p>b) To note the accounts paid since the last meeting (<i>see Appendix A</i>)</p> <p>c) To note receipts allocated since the last meeting (<i>see Appendix A</i>)</p> <p>d) To consider and receive the Bank Reconciliation for the period ending 31.01.2020 (<i>Paper 1/05.02.20</i>)</p> <p>e) To receive and consider the budget monitoring paper for the period ending 31st December 2019 (<i>Paper 2/05.02.20</i>)</p> <p>f) To consider the request that the monies paid to the Clerk for the role of Editor of the Thurston Newsletter be reassigned to cover the Clerk's increased hours spent on planning matters</p> <p>g) Council to consider the request from the Chair of the Friends of Thurston Library for the transfer of £5,000 from the Council's Reserves Fund – Library for Community Projects – to the Parish Council Library Account to offset some of the costs related to the Children's Library Replacement</p> <p>h) Parish Precept for 2020-2021 – to note confirmation has been received that the Parish Council's Precept served upon the Charging Authority for 2020/21 was for £105,162.00 which will be paid to the Parish in two instalments, 50% in April 2020 and 50% in September 2020</p> <p>i) To consider the request from St Peter's Church for financial assistance with the production of the Thurston Newsletter.</p>	9.40

14.	Questions from Councillors: None received	10.00
15.	<p>Reports from Committees and Groups:</p> <p>a) Recreational Facilities Committee –</p> <p>i. to note movement through the account since the last meeting (<i>see Appendix A</i>) & to authorise payments verified against invoices and budget</p> <p>ii. to receive the bank reconciliation to date</p> <p>iii. to receive any matters coming forth.</p> <p>b) Library –</p> <p>i. to note movement through the account since the last meeting (<i>see Appendix A</i>) & to authorise payments verified against invoices</p> <p>ii. to receive the bank reconciliation to date</p> <p>iii. to receive any matters coming forth</p> <p>c) Councillors Reports –</p> <p>i. to note Councillors’ activities since the last meeting along with reports submitted for information only</p> <p>ii. to receive reports from Councillors on issues relating to the village.</p>	10.00
16.	<p>Clerks Report – to receive the Clerks report and in particular:</p> <p>a) to note items actioned under delegated powers</p> <p>b) to receive an update on the deployment of the VAS on Barton Road and Beyton Road and to consider matters going forth</p> <p>c) to note general correspondence received</p>	10.15
17.	To consider items for future agenda	10.20
18.	<p>To confirm the date of future meetings:</p> <p>a) 19th February 2020 – Council’s Committees Meeting excluding Policy & Resources Committee commencing at 6.30pm in the Community Library, Norton Road</p> <p>b) 28th February 2020 – Policy & Resources Committee Meeting commencing at 10.30am in the Parish Council Office</p> <p>c) 4th March 2020 – full Council Meeting commencing at 7.30pm in the Community Library, Norton Road</p>	10.25
19.	<p>To resolve that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded from the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed –</p> <p>a) Clerk’s performance review</p>	10.30
20.	Close of the Meeting	10.40

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