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The Parish Councillors of THURSTON PARISH COUNCIL are summoned to attend the Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 6th April 2022 commencing at 7.00pm in the Thurston Community Library on Norton Road.

The Council, members of the public and press may record/film/photograph or broadcast this meeting when the public and press are not lawfully excluded.

The meeting is open to members of the public to attend in person. Members of the public not wishing to attend in person may submit written representations on issues to be covered in the agenda or items in general which will be noted for further consideration.

AG E N D A

1.	Opening including Statement	7.00
2.	Apologies – a) Council to receive apologies for absence b) Council to consent to accept apologies received	7.02
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	7.05
4.	a) To receive and consider the minutes of the following meetings: <i>(all as previously circulated)</i> • Meeting of 2 nd March 2022 b) Council to note Draft and Approved minutes of the following committees are available to view online at https://thurstonparishcouncil.uk/parish-council/agendas-and-minutes/ : Recreational Facilities Committee; Planning Committee; Climate Awareness and Environment Committee.	7.10
5.	REPORTS FOR INFORMATION – to receive written reports for information only: • Report from County Councillor Penny Otton • Report from District Councillor Harry Richardson • Report from District Councillor Austin Davies	7.15
6.	PUBLIC FORUM – • to receive questions and matters of concern from members of the public in attendance on the agenda submitted. • to receive comments or questions relating to Thurston in general. • to receive questions and comments submitted in writing / email for future consideration by the Council	7.30
7.	Police Matters – a) To receive a report from PCSO Swain on crimes relating to Thurston. b) To consider the request from District Cllr. Davies into the creation of a Speed Watch Group c) To consider matters for referral to Stowmarket SNT.	7.45
8.	Statutory Business – <i>to view associated papers please use the following web-link:</i> https://thurstonparishcouncil.uk/parish-council/agendas-and-minutes/ a) To note that Mid Suffolk District Council are carrying out a Community Governance Review of Parishes, Town Councils and Unparished areas. The deadline for submissions to the first stage of the review is Friday 27 May 2022 (<i>Paper entitled Community Governance Review</i>) b) To note the Council has responded to a FOIA request for information relating to an article in the February newsletter on Dog Fouling.	7.55

	<p>c) Councillors to consider the Clerk's paper on Committee Structure and consider nominations for the vacant positions on each committee (<i>Paper entitled Update on Parish Council Structure</i>)</p> <p>d) Council to note that the Clerk has submitted its re-declaration to The Pensions Regulator confirming that the Council, as an employer, has complied with its legal duties for re-enrolment.</p> <p>e) Mid Suffolk District Council CIL Funding Applications - May Bid Round – Council to note the deadline for submissions to the first stage of the review is Friday 27 May 2022.</p> <p>f) To note the revised date for the Annual Parish Meeting is 19th May 2022 commencing at 7.30pm in the Cavendish Hall, Church Road, Thurston.</p>	
9.	<p>Planning Matters – coming forth</p> <p>a) CO/297/2021 Thurston PC v Mid-Suffolk DC - heard on 20/21 October 2021 – to receive an update on the appeal submitted by Mid Suffolk District Council and Bloor Homes and Sir George Agnew to the Court Appeal against the judgement from Timothy Mould, QC as issued on 18th February 2022.</p> <p>b) DC/19/02090 – Gladman Developments Ltd for development on land to the East of Ixworth Road – Council to receive communication from its Legal Team on this application.</p>	8.15
10.	To consider matters relating to Network Rail: to receive an update from the Clerk on the feasibility study relating to the Thurston Station Level Crossing to be carried out by Network Rail.	8.25
11.	<p>Finance - to view all associated papers please use the following web-link: https://thurstonparishcouncil.uk/parish-council/agendas-and-minutes/</p> <p>a) To approve the accounts awaiting payment including those coming forth (<i>Paper 1- 06.04.22</i>)</p> <p>b) To note the accounts paid since the last meeting (<i>Paper 2 – 06.04.22</i>)</p> <p>c) To note receipts allocated since the last meeting (<i>Paper 3 – 06.04.22</i>)</p> <p>d) To consider and receive the Bank Reconciliation for the period ending 31.03.22 (<i>Paper 4 – 06.04.22</i>)</p> <p>e) To receive an update on the monies held under the CIL Reserve and monies expended to date on projects identified in the Parish Infrastructure and Investment Plan or coming forth as a bid against the CIL Reserve (<i>Paper 5 – 06.04.22</i>)</p> <p>f) To receive the Annual CIL Report for the year ending 31st March 2022 (<i>Paper 6 – 06.04.22 & Paper entitled MSDC CIL Annual Report</i>)</p> <p>g) To confirm acceptance of the implementation of the NJC pay increase effective April 2021 for all applicable staff in accordance with their contracts.</p> <p>h) To consider further the increase in financial costs for the recycling project given the change in design as proposed by the New Green Community Trust. Council to approve the increase in costs and for a non-material amendment to be submitted to the LPA for formal approval prior to installation of the project.</p> <p>i) To note the Clerk as RFO has set the period for the exercise of public rights for the inspection of the accounting records for the year ending 31st March 2022 to take place between 13 June and 22 July 2022 inclusive.</p>	8.30
12.	<p>To consider matters relating to the Community of Thurston:</p> <p>a) To receive any matters relating to the partnership working with the PCC in the production of the Thurston Community Newsletter.</p> <p>b) To receive an update from the Clerk and Deputy Clerk on the meeting with SCC & BMSDC Officers on Travel Plans and Sustainable Travel along with plans to hold a Community Event promoting sustainable travel.</p> <p>c) To consider the recommendation from the Climate Awareness and Environment Committee to approve BMSDC's Biodiversity plans to rewild the following areas: St Peter's Way and Birch Road (<i>Minutes dated 23.02.22 – Climate Awareness and Environment Committee – Item 8c</i>).</p> <p>d) To receive an update on the Ixworth Road Cyclepath and ongoing issues with fencing and planting</p> <p>e) To consider the recommendation from the Recreational and Leisure Facilities Committee to support potential sites for a mean-while or temporary skate boarding event to be held during the Summer Holidays and to be run in conjunction with Skateboard Suffolk.</p> <p>f) To note the results of the Recreational and Leisure Facilities Committee site assessment of land at Heath Road as a potential site for a wheeled facility (<i>Paper entitled Recreation Site 12 – Heath Road</i>)</p>	8.50

	<p>g) Council to consider the request from the Chair, Festival of Suffolk to encourage participation in organising a local event for the Festival Torch Relay as it passes through Thurston on Monday 23 May 2022 (<i>Paper entitled Festival Torch Relay</i>)</p> <p>h) To receive and note the Babergh and Mid Suffolk proposed sustainable plans to improve walking and cycling network across both districts with particular reference to Thurston.</p>	
13.	<p>Councillor Reports:</p> <p>a) To report village matters of concern to the Clerk</p>	9.20
14.	<p>Clerks Report – to receive and consider information from the Clerk and Deputy Clerk and in particular:</p> <p>a) To receive the reports of items actioned under delegated powers.</p> <p>b) To receive items of correspondence for noting only.</p>	9.25
15.	<p>To confirm the date of future meetings: all taking place in the Thurston Community Library unless advised otherwise:</p> <p>a) Planning Committee Meeting – 20th April 2022 – commencing at 7.00pm</p> <p>b) Climate Awareness & Environment Committee Meeting – 27th April 2022 – commencing at 6.00pm</p> <p>c) Recreational Facilities Committee Meeting – 27th April 2022– commencing at 7.15pm</p> <p>d) Parish Council Meeting 4th May 2022 commencing at 7.00pm</p>	9.35
16.	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 – none to be discussed	9.35
17.	Close of the Meeting	9.35

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