



The Parish Councillors of THURSTON PARISH COUNCIL are summoned to attend the Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 7th December 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.

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 interests: a) To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and other registerable interests as detailed in Appendix B of the LGA Model Code of Conduct b) To receive notification of gifts of hospitality exceeding £50 c) To note the determination of requests for dispensations in accordance with Council’s Dispensation Policy	7.05
4.	Minutes of previous meetings: a) To receive and consider the minutes of the following meetings: (<i>all as previously circulated</i>) • Meeting of 2 nd November 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/ : Planning; Policy & Resources and Leisure and Environmental Committee (formally the Recreational & Leisure Facilities and Climate Awareness & Environment Committees)	7.10
5.	REPORTS FOR INFORMATION – to receive the following reports as submitted by: • County Councillor Penny Otton • District Councillors Harry Richardson & Austin Davies	7.15
6.	PUBLIC FORUM – a) to receive matters of concern from members of the public on the agenda submitted. b) to receive comments relating to Thurston in general.	7.30
7.	Police Matters – a) To receive a report from PCSO Swain on crimes relating to Thurston. b) 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 consider nominations for co-option to the Parish Council to fill the casual vacancy. b) To confirm the appointment of PKF Littlejohn as the Council’s external auditor for the five financial years from 2022-23 – 2026-27.	7.55
9.	To consider matters relating to Network Rail: a) to receive an update on the meeting of 23.11.22 to discuss the feasibility /study relating to the Thurston Station Level Crossing to be carried out by Network Rail. b) to receive an update on the Community Action for Thurston (CATS) campaign to improve the appearance and use of the Thurston Station Building.	8.05
10.	Finance - <i>to view all associated papers please use the following web-link:</i> https://thurstonparishcouncil.uk/parish-council/agendas-and-minutes/ a) To approve the accounts awaiting payment including those coming forth (<i>Paper 1- 07.12.22</i>) b) To note the accounts paid since the last meeting (<i>Paper 2 – 07.12.22</i>) c) To note receipts allocated since the last meeting (<i>Paper 3 – 07.12.22</i>) d) To receive the Bank Reconciliation for the period ending 30.11.22 (<i>Paper 4 – 07.12.22</i>) 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 – 07.12.22</i>)	8.15

	<p>f) To receive and consider the Internal Control Review as carried out by Cllr. Rainbow for the period to November 2022 (<i>Paper 6 – 07.12.22</i>)</p> <p>g) To consider the quotation from Urban Forestry for the removal of one Norway Maple and crown reduction of one Norway Maple on New Green Public Open Space at a cost of £1,168.75</p> <p>h) To consider and receive the Draft Budget for the financial year 2023 – 2024 as recommended for adoption by the Policy & Resources Committee (<i>Paper 7– 07.12.22</i>)</p> <p>i) To consider and approve applications coming forth under the Council’s Small Grant’s Policy – (<i>Paper 8 – 07.12.22</i>)</p>	
11.	<p>To consider matters relating to the Community of Thurston:</p> <p>a) To receive matters relating to the production of the Thurston Community Newsletter.</p> <p>b) 33 Acre Project, Heath Road</p> <p>i) To receive an update on the meeting attended by the Parish Council as organised by Jo Churchill, MP to discuss the 33 Acre Project</p> <p>ii) To receive an update on the meeting attended by the Parish Council with Infrastructure Officers at MSDC to discuss the feasibility of a CIL bid for the above project.</p> <p>c) To receive and consider the reports from Councillors on the review of street names within the parish area for possible upgrading / replacing.</p> <p>d) To receive an update on the actions that the Parish Council could consider in response to the cost-of-living crisis.</p> <p>e) Council to be advised of the Community Venue Partnership Opportunity meeting as organised by Thurston Community College.</p> <p>f) To receive a report from the Clerk on the Rural Community Transport meeting held with affected parish councils to discuss the reduced bus service 384 and 385.</p>	8.45
12.	Councillor Reports: To report village matters of concern to the Clerk	9.15
13.	<p>Clerks Report – to receive and consider information from the Clerk and Deputy Clerk and in particular:</p> <p>a) To receive an update from the Deputy Clerk on the Thermal Imaging Project being run in conjunction with the Suffolk Climate Change Partnership.</p> <p>b) To receive an update on the CIL Bid M21-09 Thurston Community College Expansion and actions arising.</p> <p>c) To receive an update on actions arising from the Clerk’s meeting with the SCC Highways Community Liaison Engineer.</p> <p>d) To receive an update on issues relating to Ixworth Road.</p> <p>e) To receive an update on Ixworth Road/Station Hill/Norton Road Crossing Point.</p> <p>f) To receive an update on the LED Upgrade Project in Thurston.</p> <p>g) To note the Clerk has responded to the Rural England Prosperity Fund Survey.</p> <p>h) To receive the reports of items actioned under delegated powers.</p> <p>i) To receive items of correspondence for noting only.</p>	9.25
14.	<p>To confirm the date of future meetings: all taking place in the Thurston Community Library:</p> <p>a) Planning Committee Meeting – 14th December 2022 commencing at 7.00pm</p> <p>b) Parish Council Meeting - 11th January 2023 commencing at 7.00pm</p> <p>c) Leisure and Environment Committee Meeting – 25th January 2023 – commencing at 6.00pm</p> <p>d) Planning Committee Meeting – 25th January 2023 – commencing at 7.30pm</p>	9.45
15.	Close of the Meeting	9.50

Victoria S Waples

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30.11.22