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The Parish Councillors of THURSTON PARISH COUNCIL are summoned to attend the monthly Council Meeting on **Wednesday 4th October 2023 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	7.01
3.	Declarations of interests: a) To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests, other registerable interests and non-registerable interests as detailed in Appendix B of the LGA Model Code of Conduct for the Agenda under discussion 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 meeting: <i>(all as previously circulated)</i> Meeting of 6 th September 2023 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 Environment Committee c) Council (as Sole Trustee) to receive the minutes of the May meeting of the Recreation Ground Trust Charity as recently approved at the next meeting.	7.10
5.	REPORTS FOR INFORMATION – to receive the following reports as submitted by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• County Councillor Penny Otton• District Councillors Austin Davies & David Bradbury	7.15
6.	Police Matters – a) To receive a report from PCSO Matt Brown from Stowmarket SNT on crimes relating to Thurston. b) To consider matters for referral to Stowmarket SNT.	7.30
7.	PUBLIC FORUM – a) To receive an overview from Hana Richardson and Trina Stone of Our Special Friends, a wellbeing and pets companion service. b) to receive comments from members of the public on the agenda submitted.	7.40
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 the Parish Council was the joint-winner of the Suffolk Community Awards Large Village Of the Year category. Presentation took place on Monday 25 th September 2023 with the Chair and Vice-Chair in attendance at the award ceremony.	7.55

9.	To consider matters relating to Network Rail: a) to receive a monthly update on the feasibility study relating to the Thurston Station Level Crossing to be carried out by Network Rail.	8.00
10.	Finance - to view all associated papers please use the following web-link: https://thurstonparishcouncil.uk/parish-council/agendas-and-minutes/ a) To approve the accounts awaiting payment including those coming forth (<i>Paper 1 - 04.10.23</i>) b) To note the accounts paid since the last meeting up to 30.06.23 (<i>Paper 2 – 04.10.23</i>) c) To note receipts allocated since the last meeting up to 30.06.23 (<i>Paper 3 – 04.10.23</i>) d) To receive the Balance of the Accounts for the period ending 30.09.23 (<i>Paper 4 – 04.10.23</i>) e) To receive the Budget to Actual statement for the period ending 30.09.23 (<i>Paper 5 – 04.10.23</i>) f) To note the CIL report for September 2023 including nominal sums for potential CIL expenditure for the coming year and receipts received (<i>Paper 6 – 04.10.23</i>) g) To consider and approve the expenditure on a Parish Council Christmas Tree to be placed in the Library over the Christmas period. h) To consider and approve the expenditure for a High Street Safari Christmas event.	8.10
11.	To consider matters relating to the Community of Thurston: a) To receive matters relating to the production of the Thurston Community Newsletter. b) To receive an update on matters relating to Ixworth Road. c) To receive an update on the Taxi-Bus Service – Thurston to Bury St Edmunds d) To receive an update on the Wildlife Area Project on New Green Public Open Space including associated costs (<i>Paper 7 – 04.10.23</i>) e) To receive an update on the EV Charging Project at the Recreation Ground Car Park, Church Road f) To receive an up date on the surface matting replacement at the play areas on New Green and the Recreation Field on Church Road.	8.30
12.	To consider matters relating to Planning: a) DC/23/02429 Re-consultation, Erection of 5no. dwellings with garaging, Land at Norton Road. b) To note the Council Liaison Meeting scheduled with Linden Homes for 15 th September 2023 was cancelled by Linden Homes. c) To note Suffolk County Councils proposed improvements to the A140 and consider any response to the consultation. d) To consider suggestions for 2 x road names for the Housing 21 Heath Road development. e) To note the Housing 21 ground breaking ceremony taken place to celebrate the start of construction of the Extra Care development at Heath Road.	9.00
13.	Councillor Reports: a) To report village matters of concern to the Clerk. b) To receive items for information only from parish council appointed representatives on outside bodies / groups.	9.15
14.	Clerks Report – to receive and consider information from the Clerk and Deputy Clerk and in particular: a) To receive an update on the request for the installation of hedgehog warning signs around the village. b) To receive the reports of items actioned under delegated powers. c) To receive items of correspondence for noting only.	9.25
15.	To confirm the date of future meetings: all taking place in the Thurston Community Library: a) Emergency Planning Meeting – 11 th October 2023 – commencing at 7.00pm	9.40

	b) Leisure and Environment Committee Meeting – 18 th October 2023 – commencing at 6.00pm. c) Planning Committee Meeting – 18 th October 2023 - commencing at 7.30pm d) Parish Council Meeting – 1 st November 2023 – commencing at 7.00pm	
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 – a) To discuss matters raised at a pre-application meeting for reserve matters for an approved outline application.	9.45
17.	Close of the Meeting	10.00

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 Proper Officer to the Council
 28.09.2023**