

THORNHAUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Fifth Meeting of the 2014/2015 Parish Council
held at 7.00 pm on Monday 19th January 2015
in St Andrew's Church, Thornhaugh

PRESENT

William Rogers (Chairman)
Liam Higgins
Ashleigh Kewney
Ian Molesworth

IN ATTENDANCE

One Member of the Public
Deirdre McCumiskey, Clerk to the Council

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were Apologies for Absence from Brian Watts, Diane Lamb and John Holdich.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Ashleigh Kewney declared a Non Pecuniary Interest in Planning Application 14/02249 at The Retreat, Leicester Road, Thornhaugh as he lives in a neighbouring property.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

4. POLICE MATTERS

There were no police representatives present. The Clerk will continue to invite the police to every Parish Council Meeting.

5. MINUTES of the Fourth Meeting of the 2014/2015 Parish Council held on Monday 8th December 2014 were reviewed, approved and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed by:- William Rogers **Seconded by:-** Ian Molesworth

6. MATTERS ARISING

i) **Home Farm Matters**

It was noted that the dog foul bin has now been ordered.

ii) **Hedge Trimming**

It was noted that Amey are due to undertake the annual hedge trimming in February 2015. It was agreed that if this does not happen, the Parish Council may consider employing a private contractor to undertake the work.

iii) **Seat and Lectern**

Brian Watts had sent an e-mail stating that he was dealing with the seat and lectern but needs to go over the graphics for the lectern once he has drawn up the idea.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- PCC – Planning Application 14/02201 – Consultation on Listed Building Consent Repairs and alterations to rear gable and rebuilding of chimney – retrospective at 23 Russell Hill, Thornhaugh (*No Objections*)
- ENC – Planning Application 14/02225 – Change of use of Jacks Green at Rockingham Forest Park to provide for a range of tourist accommodation at Rockingham Forest Park, Kings Cliffe (*No Objections*)
- PCC - Planning Application 14/02249 Addition of dormer windows to North, East and West elevations at The Retreat, Home Farm, Leicester Road, Thornhaugh (*No Objections*)

8. FINANCE

- i) Statement and Bank Reconciliation at 31st December 2014 was reviewed and approved as presented
Proposed by:- William Rogers **Seconded by:-** Ian Molesworth
- ii) Precept 2015 - 2016
A discussion took place regarding the current financial position and estimated expenditure over the next 12 months and it was agreed to keep the Precept at the same level as 2014 – 2015 as proposed by William Rogers, seconded by Liam Higgins and agreed by all present.
- iii) It was agreed to increase the Clerk's Salary from £200 to £205 per month and make a one-off payment of £10.00 in lieu of the award being backdated to April 2014.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Augean Newsletter and the future plans for local quarry were discussed.

Ian Molesworth handed in his resignation as a Parish Councillor with immediate effect. The Clerk will inform Mr M Emson, Electoral Services Officer at Peterborough City Council and advertise the vacancy in Living Villages and on the Village Noticeboards.

Brian Watts reported that Mrs J Anderson, Peterborough Highways Services had confirmed the 40 mph speed limit along Russell Hill to the junction of the A47 will be included on the next Legal Order which should be in the spring/early summer.

Brian Watts requested that the Clerk determines whether the village could be tagged onto the cable running through Wansford, Yarwell, Nassington and Kings Cliffe that is supplied by Gigaclear who specialise in providing high speed fibre optic broadband connection.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Sixth Meeting of the 2014/2015 Parish Council will take place **at 7.00 pm on Monday 9th March 2015 in St Andrew's Church.**

11. **CLOSURE**

There being no further business to discuss, **the Chairman** closed the meeting at 8.00 pm

SIGNED

Chairman

DATE

09/03/15