

Thornhaugh Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of Thornhaugh Parish Council held on Monday 20th July at 7pm at St Andrews Church, Thornhaugh

26 (07) 01 - Chair's Welcome - Cllr Paul Whybrow welcomed everyone.

26 (07) 02 - In Attendance -

Cllr Paul Whybrow (PW) / Cllr Mike Kealey (MK) / Cllr Nicky Rogers (NR) /
Cllr Yana Clipsham (YC) / Cllr Tom Mylott (TM) / Clerk - Sam Green (SG)
PCC Ward Cllr Gavin Elsey (GE) / IT Support Jay Allsopp (JA) and 2 members of
the public.
No apologies.

26 (07) 03 - Declarations of Interest - None declared

26 (07) 04 - Public Forum - No public participations

26 (07) 05 - Minutes of the Meetings held on Monday 15 June 2026

The minutes of the last council meeting were approved and signed by the Chair,
Cllr Paul Whybrow

26 (07) 06 - Matters Arising

06.1 Parish Social Events 2026 -

NR has organised a Save the Date flyer which has been distributed to SG - to be
displayed on both village noticeboards, the website and on Thornhaugh Community
Facebook page - *SG to action*.

NR to liaise with the kind hosts for the Summer Garden party, Alan and Joan Frost
to arrange a meeting to discuss plans in more detail - date for this is Sunday 23
August 2026 - *NR to action*

06.2 Highways Issues -

a&b) Speed Reduction zone / Speed Limit on A47 - Following the request to look
into reducing accidents on the A47 between the Wansford roundabout and Old
Oundle Road junction, PW has received an email from the Highway Maintenance
and Schemes Commissioning Manager who has asked for the completion of a
Speed Restriction Request Form - *PW to action*

c) Countdown signs on A1 turning into Russell Hill - National Highways report they
are requesting a safety inspector to look into the concerns raised that the 300, 200
and 100 yard markers are not visible.

06.3 Police Matters -

Many residents have reported to the police (and to Peterborough City Council)
about the van abandoned on the grass verge on the bend of Russell Hill between

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the junction to the A1 and Old Rectory Drive. Police presence was noted at around 6.30pm on Monday 20th July. PCC have stated if the vehicle has not moved within the next 4 weeks, they will investigate further.

06.4 Thornhaugh Neighbourhood Plan -

a) Meetings - Placed on hold at present

b) Appointment of chair for the committee group - MK has made the decision to step down as chair for the committee group owing to work commitments. Kevin Guinness (KG) who was present as a member of the public, and current clerk for the committee group, put himself forward as chair - PW proposed to nominate KG as chair for Thornhaugh Neighbourhood Planning Committee - this leaves the role as clerk vacant. NR offered to write the minutes of meetings when held.

NR advised a Notification of Designation of a Neighbourhood Plan has been submitted - to confirm this.

06.5 IT Policies - Update on Thornhaugh Parish Council Website

JA advised the following:

- All content has been added from the current website
- Aubergine have set up some pages that have no content in them currently - website is compliant. Councillors unanimously agreed not to have their individual photos published at present.
- Thornhaugh Neighbourhood Plan section to be made visible once meetings have been arranged
- Require information about the Burial Grounds Committee / Volunteer Groups / St Andrews Church - *SG to action*
- Photographs need consent from the copyright holder (copyright lasts 50years so felt that old black and white photos on current website could be used) - plan for photos to be taken at Summer Garden Party to be published on the website (needing permission from any residents visible in the photo)
- As discussed in **06.1** Save the Date flyer to be added to the website

06.6 Grants / Financial Support for Thornhaugh Neighbourhood Plan

To be discussed at a committee meeting

06.7 Freedom of Information Response to Thornhaugh Parish Council -

Response received and distributed to all councillors - no further action to be taken.

06.8 Information of the Wittering Development Plan

GE advised that the planning Department for Peterborough City Council have moved their announcement on the Local Area Plan for development on land to west of Wittering to September 2026. This was following the response for objections to this by local residents after the consultations took place earlier in the year.

07.1 - 26/002446/CTR - T1) Weeping Willow - Remove dying willow to just above ground level - 2 Old Rectory Drive, Thornhaugh - Permitted

07.2 - 26/002100/FUL Erection of an agricultural building for fertile egg production with associated infrastructure and demolition of two existing poultry houses. Home Farm, Leicester Road, Thornhaugh PE8 6NL - *Allocated*

07.3 - 26/002449/FUL - Grange Farm, Old Oundle Road, Thornhaugh, Peterborough, PE8 6NR - Change of use of agricultural land to dog walking paddock - Received 04/06/2026 - *Under Consultation* - Public expiry date - 08/07/2026

07.4 - 26/002502/HHFUL - Thornhaugh Hall Estate, Russell Hill, Thornhaugh - Attic conversion and new dormer windows - Received 18 Jun 2026 - *Under consultation*

26 (07) 08 - Correspondence

Already circulated

26 (07) 09 - Finance

09.1 - Statement and Bank Reconciliation as at 30 June - Approved by councillors.

09.2 - Budget monitoring - Year To Date - approved

09.3 - General review of bank accounts - There are three accounts - one of which is a dormant deposit account which holds money raised to fund the defibrillator. First Aid training held in the community in 2025 was paid through the current account and as such should be withdrawn from the dormant account to the current account - *SG to action*

09.4 - Salary for Clerk - Letter to Barclays Bank PLC was signed by YC and NR to request a standing order is set up for the payment of the salary of the clerk and HMRC (tax) and to be sent - *SG to action*

26 (07) 10 - Matters for Future Meetings -

To consider Agenda items for the next meeting -

- Update on the Thornhaugh Neighbourhood Plan group.

26 (07) 11 - Date of the next meeting - 7.00 pm at St Andrews Church Thornhaugh on Monday 21st September 2026

Sam Green, Thornhaugh Parish Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer