

THORPE MARKET

ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 22nd February 2022 @ 7.00pm - Thorpe Market Village Hall

Present: Nick Coppack (Chair), Mandy Hayward (Vice Chair), Ian Siggee,
Barbara Sparrow and Naomi Perowne

Others: 3 members of the public and Tim Adams, NCC (partial)

James Athill - Norfolk Deputy Lieutenant presented a plaque to Nick Coppack (Chair) on behalf of the Lord Lieutenant's Office. This commemorated the community's work during the COVID period and would be placed in the Village Hall.

1. **To receive declarations of interest and Pecuniary Dispensation Forms to be authorised**
There were no interests or dispensations required.
2. **To consider apologies received**
Liz Relf - personal - accepted by the Council.
No apologies had been received from Dan Minister - and his absence was duly noted and recorded by the Clerk.
3. **Minutes**
To approve outstanding Minutes - 30th November 2021
These had been circulated and approved for signing by the Chair.
4. **To open the meeting for public participation (15 mins maximum - this may be extended by the Council as necessary)**
Resolved to open the meeting to the public.

The Chair extended his thanks to Tim Adams for his work on behalf of the community and congratulated him on becoming the new Leader at NNDC.

Tim Adams, NCC - informed that he may have residual funds to contribute towards Thorpe Market's application to NCC for the bus shelter via the Parish Partnership Scheme. He updated members on Cromer Cares and how the cost of living rises were having an impact on families. However, there was financial guidance and help around and people could be directed to the various agencies via the charity.

A member of the public stated that they did not support the suggestion to allow areas of the playing field to become wild. The playing field is the only space within the village which children were able to utilise, meet their friends and family and play especially in the summer months. The area would become unkempt and neglected and it would discourage residents from using the community facility. The village green is not suitable for any event as it has close proximity to the main road. Concern was raised regarding the play provision since the slide had been removed due to safety concerns. There were also issues with moles.

Another member of the public spoke about how they used the playing field on a regular basis and that there were more children in the village. This facility needed to remain as open green space and not allowed to go wild as to reclaim it after the event would more difficult.

Resolved to close the meeting to the public.

5. To receive Clerk’s report & matters arising (updates and information only)

5.1 SAM2 - statistics

29/11/2021 - 21/02/2022

85th percentile speed 34.9mph

Average speed 29.62mph

Total number of vehicles 211,677

It was noted that one vehicle was recorded at 90mph on 04.02.22 at 11.25am

5.2 VET Scheme (defibrillator)

This project was ongoing and it was hoped to recruit additional members. Approaches were being made directly to residents to participate.

5.3 Management of registered village green - footpath map and varnishing of bench and allow area to turn into wild grass

The footpath map issue was still unresolved, the benches had been varnished. In light of the opposition by members of the public who frequently used the playing field it; was agreed not to pursue the concept of “wild grass/wilderness” for this area. Members also considered the same for the village green due to the visual impact and visibility splays. This item would be removed from the Agenda.

Highways

5.4 NCC Parish Partnership Scheme - provision of bus shelter - waiting feedback on application. The outcome should be known by the May meeting.

Provision of additional village facilities

5.5 Additional play equipment

In view of the comments made by the public at Agenda item 4, members discussed this at length. It was agreed that better provision needed to be made especially in light of the younger families now within the parish. The Clerk was asked to investigate the costs of a small multi-play unit and report back. EP

5.6 Works to Village sign

An assessment needed to made for this and a supplier found who is able to complete the works. EP

5.7 Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Celebrations

The Clerk would investigate the cost of a Holm Oak Tree to commemorate this, with a tree planting event to be agreed. EP

6. To consider and review planning if received

22/0086	Land at The Gunton Arms	Retention of artwork	No objection
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7. To consider and review correspondence and take appropriate action

Poppyland Community Radio	Noted
North Norfolk Local Plan	Circulated
ICO - registration	Confirmed
Duncan Baker MP - February news	Circulated
Norfolk CAB - request for funding	Agenda
Highways - inspection 24 th January 2022	Noted
Highways - closure of B1436 for 5 days-Anglian Water	Circulated
ICO - certificate	Noted
Councillor report - Liz Relf	Noted

8. Finance

8.1 To approve payments

Payee	Amount
Elaine Pugh (3 months)	289.70
HMRC	57.40
Total Cheques raised	347.10

Resolved to pay enbloc.

9. To receive Councillor Reports and Agenda items for next meeting

The hedge on the Registered Village Green need cutting as residents are finding visibility splay and access difficult. EP

Fence on Chapelfields is too high - the Clerk would write a letter. EP

Moles on the playing field - this would be monitored.

10. To confirm the date of the next meeting:

Thorpe Market Annual Parish Meeting followed by the
Thorpe Market Annual Parish Council Meeting - 24th May 2022 @ 7pm

There being no further business the meeting was concluded at 8.00pm.

NICK COPPACK - CHAIR

24th May 2022