

## THORNHAM PARVA PARISH MEETING

Minutes of a meeting of **Thornham Parva Parish Meeting** held in the Village Hall, Thornham Magna on Wednesday 20 November 2013 at 7.30pm

### **PRESENT**

Mr M Kay (Chairman)  
Col C and Mrs S Dale, Mrs G Goulding, Lord Henniker, Mr A King, and Mrs C Moore  
County Councillor Jessica Fleming for part of the meeting

### 1. **APOLOGIES**

District Councillor Diana Kearsley and PCSO Dave Faulkner

### 2. **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 May 2013 were circulated and approved.

### 3. **MATTERS ARISING**

Jean Marshall will contact Suffolk County Council Highways again regarding the possibility of filling in a drainage gully on the double bend near 'Nora's meadow'. This would allow vehicles travelling towards the A140 to pull onto the verge at this blind double bend when meeting oncoming traffic.

Pot holes were discussed, sites of pot holes were near 216/217 Bull Road and in Chapel Farm Lane.

Christine Moore had been in touch with SCC Highways regarding the flooding at the junction of Thornham Road with Mellis/Yaxley road (in the parish of Yaxley) last year and has been told remedial work will be carried out. This is being monitored.

More fly tipping has occurred along the Mellis Road and on the sugar beet pad, this has been reported and arrangements were made by Mid Suffolk DC for the rubbish to be cleared. The proposed parish litter pick was discussed and it was agreed that most parishioners already collect litter and to encourage this to continue.

Christine Moore said she had been informed the signpost at the junction of Thornham Road/Earlsford Road with the missing arms would be repaired in due course.

### 4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Joint Emergency Planning – letter asking 'Is your community prepared' – it was felt if there was a need residents of the parish could be contacted reasonably quickly. – No further action.

Suffolk Flood Risk Management Partnership – trying to reduce the risk and minimise the damage from flooding. Booklet enclosed – 'Managing flood risk in Suffolk and what to do before, during and after a flood.' No further action considered necessary.

### 5. **PAYMENTS**

Christopher Dale reported that the accounts for 2012/13 had been audited. The balance was £398.22. Precept payments received of £136 and £125.

#### ***Accounts paid since last meeting on 8 May 2013***

<b>Name of Organisation</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Cheque No</b>
Thornham Village Hall	£10.00	Hire fee for 8 May meeting	100179

Money earmarked :

£100 towards work to trees near church

£30 donation each to Diss CAB and Eye Volunteer Centre

Agreed to apply for £250 precept for 2014/15.

Thanks to Christopher Dale for his work.

### 6. **PLANNING MATTERS**

Discussion took place regarding the ongoing planning issues at Chandos Farm. Martin Kay reported that as yet no action had been taken by Mid Suffolk DC.

7. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Alan King reported the muddy, slippery condition of Bull Road had been reported to the Police and one stretch had been cleaned, but soon became muddy and slippery again.

The Clerk read details from the latest Police report – there were no reported crimes within the parish since June 2013. The agreed priorities for the next quarter will be to investigate and address safety issues involving pedal cyclists riding without lights during the hours of darkness and to pro-actively target thefts of domestic and commercial heating oil. Winter house and personal safety tips were also included.

8. **REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR JESSICA FLEMING**

Councillor Jessica Fleming gave her report copy of which is attached to these minutes. Discussion took place regarding the proposed gas powered plant and grid connection by Progress Power. This was the first the parish had heard officially of the proposed application. The Chairman to write to Progress Power expressing concern at the lack of consultation.

9. **DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS**

Wednesday 14 May and Wednesday 12 November 2014.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.

**CHAIRMAN**

**DATE**