

Thrandeston Parish Council.

Minutes of the Meeting of Thrandeston Parish Council held on Tuesday 2nd March 2021 by Zoom.

Present:

Councillors Andrew Colchester, Anthony Ronchetti, David Rose, Colin Swinbourne and Alison Murton.

County Councillor Jessica Fleming

Philip Freeman – Parish Clerk.

One members of the public.

1. Apologies for Absence.
 - District Councillor David Burn.
2. Chairman's Opening Remarks
 - The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
3. To receive any declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests from members on any agenda item. To consider any requests for dispensations.
 - None.
4. Minutes of the previous meeting.
 - The minutes of the previous meetings were agreed as a true record and will be signed by the Chairman.

5. Matters arising from the minutes:

Action Points:

- Councillor Fleming will send the Clerk the link to where the Parish Council can request a sign with a village name on it for the Mellis Road end of Thrandeston. **Action: Councillor Fleming. Completed.**
 - Councillor Burn will follow up the permission for a direction sign to Marsh Farm. **Action: Councillor Burn.**
 - The Clerk will send the precept form which was agreed at the meeting to Mid Suffolk District Council. **Action: The Clerk. Completed.**
 - Follow up the registration for Quiet Lane nomination. **Action: The Clerk.**
 - Cheques to be signed. **Action: The Clerk. Completed.**
6. Notification of any urgent business.
 - Casual Vacancy: Colin Swinbourne was appointed to the vacancy, proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Councillor Colchester.
 - It was agreed to delay organising a litter pick until later in the year.
 - Dog waste bins: there is a need for additional dog waste bins in the village as there are more visitors in Thrandeston. It was agreed to purchase 2 which will be placed at each end of the footpath which begins at the Mellis Road. Councillor Colchester agreed to set them up. **Action: Councillor Colchester and the Clerk.**

Public Forum.

Mr Guthrie:

- Mr Guthrie had written to the Parish Council about work on the hedge along the footpath which begins at the Mellis Road as it has been substantially reduced.
- The Clerk had replied to say that the work was not a responsibility of the Parish Council and he should contact Councillor Colchester directly as he is the landowner.
- There was a sign at the end of the footpath to say it was being coppiced under MAFF conservation work.

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- Mrs Colchester had written to Mr Guthrie to explain that the work had been sanctioned by DEFRA and the scheme under which it is being carried out.
- Mr Guthrie thanked her for the letter.

Report from Councillor Jessica Fleming, Hartismere Division, Suffolk

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COVID-19 testing in Suffolk if you don't have symptoms. Community testing is aimed at people who have to leave their home during lockdown, for example due to work or caring commitments, or for essential shopping. There are centres at Elmswell, Stowmarket and Eye. To book a slot, visit: [COVID-19 testing in Suffolk if you don't have symptoms | Suffolk County Council](#)

COVID Vaccination Programme – The Suffolk & NE Essex Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) web site provides current information: [SNEE NHS COVID-19 Vaccination Service website](#).

Business Assistance – Suffolk authorities continue to support businesses through various packages including, but not limited to:

- *Local restrictions support grants (LRSG)*. Visit: [Funding | Suffolk Growth](#) to find out more.
- *Additional Restrictions Grant*. Visit: [Funding | Suffolk Growth](#) to find out more.
- *Localised funding packages*. Please check Mid Suffolk District Council
- *Suffolk Inclusive Growth Investment Fund*. Intended to help Suffolk's business recovery. Round-2 announcement is due 26 March 2021. [SIGIF Funding | Suffolk Growth](#)

Suffolk County Council Budget Agreed – The Council at its February meeting announced a budget of £597.9million - an increase of £41million (7.4%) on 2020/21. About £15m is allocated to ongoing pandemic responses. Council tax will increase by 3.99% of which 2% is dedicated to social care.

Plug In Suffolk - is now providing grants for the installation of Electric Vehicle charging points at non-profit locations such as community centres, parish council car parks and village halls. Visit [Green Suffolk's website](#) or contact Suffolk County Council's environment strategy officer [Peter Frost](#).

Recycling - The Suffolk Waste Partnership has a designated website on lessons and fun games for children - <http://www.suffolkschoolsrecycling.org.uk/>

Grit Bins - Suffolk Highways is currently restocking all grit bins to reduce the need for individual requests. Please note that this will be a one-off re-stock due to the recent extreme weather. Should any bin require further re-filling over the coming season please use the [Highways Reporting Tool](#).

- Councillor Fleming will investigate the right turn restrictions at the junction of the A140 and Thrandeston Road. **Action: Councillor Fleming.**

7. Correspondence received.

- Various documents from SALC.
- Town and Parish Council Newsletter.
- Various emails from the Highways Department of Suffolk County Council.
- Constables' Country
- Suffolk View.
- Cranswick Foods Update.
- COVID-19
- Headway Suffolk
- Emails from Mr Guthrie

8. Report from Committees:

a. Village Hall Committee:

- Due to Councillor Murton's being unwell there was nothing to report.
- She is chasing quotations for the work which is planned.
- There will be a Committee meeting in March 2021.

9. The Common

a. Report from the Commons Co-ordinator.

- Councillor Colchester has been shielding during the pandemic and there was as a result nothing to report.
 - Following a discussion it was agreed:
 - The Clerk will contact the Rural Payments Agency about clearing the area between the two rail bridges to plant wildflowers.
- Action: The Clerk.**

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- Councillor Colchester will contact Mr Bird about cutting Little Green for hay in the summer. **Action: Councillor Colchester.**

10. COVID-19 measures and impact on our village events.

- In the discussion of future plans it may be possible to arrange a 'pub night' later in the summer and the Parish Council may be able to support the cost of the event.

11. Highway matters:

- a. Quiet Lanes:
 - Nothing to report.
- b. The Clerk will report a pot hole on the road opposite the Village Hall. **Action: The Clerk.**

12. Finances and financial report.

- a. Balances on Accounts 29th January 2021.
 - i. Current account: £9,455.92
 - Councillors noted the account balances.
- b. Financial report and bank reconciliation.
 - Detailed accounts had been given to Councillors, which recorded all items of income and expenditure, and compared them to the budget. The spreadsheet also showed both as a percentage of the budget.
 - The accounts were to the date of this meeting and included a bank reconciliation.
 - There were no questions from Councillors.
- c. To authorise cheques for signature:

N.B. Cheque signatories to initial cheque stub and invoice.

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Cheque Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Power</u>
P Freeman	Clerk's Pay and Expenses.	100640	£315.03	LGA 1972 S112
HMRC	PAYE	100641	£57.60	LGA 1972 S112
ICO	Data Protection Fee paid by the Clerk from his business account.		£40.00	LGA 1972 s111

- It was unanimously agreed to pay the invoices listed above, proposed by Councillor Murton and seconded by Councillor Colchester. The Clerk will take the cheques to Councillors Murton and Ronchetti to be signed.
- d. Requests for financial support: None.
- e. Receipts: None.

13. Casual Vacancy

- See above.

14. Planning:

- The Parish Council is concerned about the work on the land next to Kiln Farm and the Clerk will contact Councillor Burn about the planning permission for this land. **Action: The Clerk.**
- a. Applications: None.
- b. Applications – no decisions to date:
 - i. Statutory consultation on proposals for Sunnica Energy Farm.
 - ii. Application for Advertisement Consent - DC/20/03957
Proposal: Application for Advertisement Consent - Erection of 2No signs each consisting of 14 plate signs advertising Roy Humphrey Group businesses within the Eye airfield industrial complex.
Location: Roy Humphrey Group, Ipswich Road, Eye, Suffolk

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- iii. Application DC/19/00667
Proposal: Full Planning Application - direction of 2NO. B8 storage buildings and link extension between buildings 6 and 7.
Location: land on Eye Airfield, Ipswich Road, Eye.

c. Planning decisions:

i. Approved:

- Application for Prior Approval - Agricultural to Dwelling - DC/20/05757.

Proposal: An application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: Change of Use of Agricultural Buildings to Dwelling houses (Class C3), and for building operations reasonably necessary for the conversion. The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) Schedule 2, Part 3, Class Q - Conversion for form 1No dwelling.
Location: Rectory Farm, Great Green, Thrandeston, Diss Suffolk IP21 4BN.

- ii. Refused: None.
iii. Discharge of Conditions: None.
iv. Withdrawn: None.

15. AOB - Any items raised earlier but not for an extended discussion or decisions and items for inclusion at the meeting on Tuesday 4th May 2021.

Meeting closed at 8:16 p.m.

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