

# Thurcaston & Cropston Parish Council

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Parish Clerk: Mrs. Marianne Lane

## Minutes of the Thurcaston & Cropston Parish Council Meeting on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 7.30 p.m. At The Memorial Hall, Anstey Lane, Thurcaston, Leicester.

Present: Cllrs Richard Younie (Chairman), William Green (Vice-Chairman), Audrey Flower, James Clooney, Vernon Terry, Richard Weston (arrived 7.40pm) & District Councillor Diane Wise

Also Present: Marianne Lane (Clerk), PCSO Steve Quinn & 8 members of the public

1. **Apologies for absence** – Cllr David Snart
2. **Approve and sign minutes from PC meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2015.** Approved.
3. **Receive any Declarations of interest.** None Received
4. **Police Report** – To receive a report for January 2015 on crimes/incidents in Parish. Report Received and PCSO Quinn left meeting at 7.35pm.
5. **Receive both Borough & County Councillors reports** on items of relevance to Thurcaston and Cropston. Cllr Diane Wise has seen official report on the Thurcaston Park Planning Application refusal and advised t they are unlikely to appeal.
6. **Chairman's Announcement's if any:**
7. **Parish Councillors Report** including meetings they have attended as Parish Council representatives. Cllr Richard Weston advised he had attended an Election Workshop at LRALC and reminded all Councillors that they need to apply if they wish to carry on. Cllr James Clooney advised he had attended a Neighbourhood Planning Network event in February 2015 at County Hall and that Community speedwatch is booked from 5<sup>th</sup> May for 2 weeks in Cropston. Cllr William Green advised that a definitive map order on J62 held at County Hall on 12<sup>th</sup> Feb 2015, modification was upheld – between 176 and 180 Station Road, Cropston. Jason Page of Swithland Hall objected that the footpath runs down the field and not along the edge of the field by the hedge.

**Meeting closed at 7.50pm**

8. **Public Recess – Meeting will close for up to 15 minutes to receive questions and comments on items that are only on agenda and after which the Meeting will resume and public and press are welcome to stay and listen but are not allowed to make further comment.** Parishioners advised that they have stopped the tipper lorries using Cropston and Thurcaston which has a 7.5 ton weight limit after speaking to the Companies involved. They also advised that a lot of activity is taking place at the top of Leicester Road on land to the east with surveys. Surveyors would not say what they were doing or who for. A request was made to see if copies of the Midland Rural Housing Survey could be obtained as some parishioners had not received them or thrown them away in error. Cllr Wise was asked about the Core Strategy and she advised we should know something within next 6 weeks. Questions were asked about possibility of speed cameras or mobile speed cameras in and around Cropston & Thurcaston.

**Meeting Resumed at 8.05pm**

9. **Matters arising** – from previous minutes

a) Early Learning Playgroup Play Area. **Deferred to explore other avenues. Clerk to speak to Cropston playgroup and Richard Hill School.**

**10. Finance**

- a) To approve income and expenditure for January 2015 and February 2015 expenditure will be available on the night. **Approved.**
- b) To receive and approve the finances for February 2015 film presentations – to be tabled on the night. **Approved.**
- c) To approve Clerks Overtime for end November/December 2014 & January/February 2015. **Approved**
- d) To consider quotation for new Tyre Swing on Jubilee Field. **Approved**
- e) To approve cost of Playing Field Inspection training for Mr John Adams with RCC in April/May 2015 – approx £50.00 **Approved**

**11. Playground Inspection – Review Playground Inspection Reports.** John Adams to review Inspection Report forms after his training.

**12. To discuss and consider more Speed Indicator Signs in the villages.** Deferred until after 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015 NDP meeting which will incorporate Speed signs in the “theme” group Traffic & Transport. Clerk to invite LCC Highways to NDP meeting

**13. Memorial Hall – Consider if there should be rate changes from April 1<sup>st</sup> 2015 onwards.** It was resolved to keep rates same for 2015/16

**14. District Matters**

- a) Receive letter from LCC regarding changes to the mobile library service with consultation closing on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2015. **Clerk to put information on website**
- b) Receive informatkion from Green Energy UK regarding Funding available for community based projects in the Parish. **Received and will be dealt with by NDP.**
- c) Receive invitation to Stepping Stones Partnership Forum on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2015. **Deferred because date so close to Election.**
- d) Receive notice from Leicester City Council on consultation of CIL draft charging schedule notice of consultation. **Received.**

**15. Planning Applications:**

**P/15/0039/2 Erection of extension to side of dwelling. 9 Ridley Close, Cropston LE7 7HB. Due 5<sup>th</sup> February 2015 – NOTED.**

**P/15/0078/2 Erection of a single storey extension to rear of dwelling. 148 Station Road, Cropston. Due 6<sup>th</sup> February 2015 – NOTED**

**P/14/0234/2 Retention of two workshop uits (revised scheme P/11/0793/2. 16 Thurcaston Lane, Thurcaston. Due 13<sup>th</sup> February 2015 – NOTED**

**P/14/2368/2 Erection of a single storey garage and carport to front of dwelling. 148 Station Road, Cropston. Due 17<sup>th</sup> February 2015. NOTED**

**16. Clerks Report** and any items for a future agenda for Parish Council Meeting.

Clerk reported that as advised at Election Workshop all Councillors have to hand deliver their Nomination Forms which is a new instruction introduced this year.

Meeting Closed 9.05pm

Chairman.....Date.....