

Minutes for Thornbury Parish Council AGM

12th May 2022, at 8.00pm
St. Peter's Church, Thornbury

Those present: Keith Hutchings (KH), Gaye Tabor (GT), Paul Taylor (PT), Liz Priest (LP), Trevor Jollow (TJ), Chris Ward (CW), Coun. Ken James (TDC), Coun. James Morrish (DCC).

- 22/001. Apologies for absence – Lisa Serra.
- 22/002. Election of Officers:
Chair: KH proposed by GT, seconded by LP, unanimous.
Vice-Chair: GT proposed by LP, seconded by PT, unanimous.
The Clerk advised that he would be standing down before the AGM in 2023. The Chair thanked him for his recent efforts in securing grant funding for the Jubilee events.
- 22/003. Public discussion period - none
- 22/004. Council approved, Chair signed, the minutes of the two previous meetings.
- 22/005. Disclosure of Interests – none.
- 22/006. The Audited Accounts for 2021-22 were approved.
- 22/007. The AGAR Governance Statement was approved.
- 22/008. The AGAR Accounting Statements were approved.
- 22/009. The AGAR Certificate of Exemption was approved.
- 22/010. Council set the dates for exercise of public rights (13th June to 22nd July)
- 22/011. Finance Report:
Council agreed to renew DALC membership £67.82
Council approved Clerk's expenses of £518.96
Council approved Councillor's expenses of £47.98
The Chair approved the schedule of payments and receipts
Clerk reported on the Jubilee grants and donations, capital and revenue expenditure to date and planned spend for events.
- 21/012. Planning:
1/0138/2022/FUL, Stable block to dwelling at Old Park Cottage, Thornbury
Application Permitted
1/0194/2022/FUL, Barn to a holiday let, Old Farmhouse, S Wonford,
Application Permitted
1/0211/2022/FUL, Annexe, Kingsford Farm, Application Permitted
1/0226/2022/FUL, Proposed agricultural building, Land At Woodacott
Cross. Application Permitted.
1/0319/2022/FUL, replacement of 1/0847/2021/AGMB, for Barn on land
N. of Lophorne Lodge, Application is being considered. Council has no
comment.
- 21/013. Council reviewed a draft Planning Policy; agreed to add note re Plans
Committee membership, proposed LP, seconded GT, unanimous.
- 21/014. Jubilee Events 2022: Plans for a Bonfire/BBQ and the Big Lunch are going
well, publicity continues. Council agreed to hold funds generated by the
Community Charity, pending an account being set up.

- 21/015. Fun Day & Dog Show 2022 : date set for 16th July, a coordinator / team lead is needed to make this event happen. A new treasurer may also be needed. Council voted an advance of up to £200 towards costs.
- 21.016. Thornbury Tatler Report: September will be the final issue of the printed magazine. All future reports and news will be on Facebook and web only.
- 21/017. Road Warden Report: Surfacing has been done on New Road Cross and Cookbury roads, no major local potholes at this time. Bad side roads continue to deteriorate, TPC will continue to press DCC for action.
- 21/018 Reports from County or District Councillors:
- James Morrish reported an extra £1M has been allocated to pothole repairs in Devon, although major issues remain with our roads. DCC reserves have been depleted by £9M during Covid. Funding for 10 years for the Holsworthy LINK project has been secured. TPC to advise of grant requirements from JM.
- Ken James reported that Torridge has received a grant settlement increase of 1.1%, far lower than the average of 7%. G. Cox MP has lobbied with TDC to seek an increase. Work is ongoing to create closer working between DCC and districts on social housing. Leisure centres have been refurbished and reopened with new management, Holsworthy is proving popular. Plans for a Marine Excellence Centre are going well.
- 21/019. Date of next meeting: 18th August 2022 at St. Peter's Church.
- The meeting closed at 9.45pm.