

PARISH of THORRINGTON

Minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held in the village hall on
Wednesday 4th May 2022 at 7pm



Present: Cllrs P Sadler, A Sadler, G Parks, Sait & Dewar

Also present: CCllr Goggin, DCllr Wiggins, E Crook (Clerk) & K Lott (RFO).

The meeting was called to order at 7.00pm by Cllr P Sadler, Chairman

1. Apologies for absence – Cllr S Parks

2. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th May 2021 having been previously circulated, were signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

3. Chairman's Address

Our Parish Council, consisting of six councillors, exists for the benefit of the village and together, with the help and advice of our County and District Councillors, we strive to fairly and consistently represent this small parish. It provides a point of contact and it signposts to District and County Councils. We liaise with many other agencies to ensure as much relevant information as possible is available to every resident in this village. Sadly, we are short of Parish Councillors and no interest has been shown to fill the three vacant seats so far.

My thanks go to my fellow Parish Councillors who do their best to represent the views of villagers in this small parish, to support them and ensure advice and information is accessible to all. Thanks also to Alan Goggin, Ann Wiggins and Gary Scott our County and District Councillors for their input and regular attendance at our meetings. My appreciation and grateful thanks go to our clerk and RFO who keep everything on an even keel, guiding us, updating us and without whom this Council could not function.

The facilities Thorrington Parish Council provide include: -

- Maintenance of verges, hedges and grass cutting.
- Bus shelters
- Dog bins and bag dispensers and bags
- Litter bins
- Provision of most of the street lighting
- Play equipment and care of the playing field
- Outdoor gym equipment in the playing field
- An electric supply to the playing field for events requiring electricity.
- 23 allotments for use by local people.
- Minor repairs and maintenance of Parish Assets done by volunteers and by our Handyman who also cuts the grass on Hazel Close Open Space, the playing field and the allotments.

This year has seen the completion of the programme to change all our streetlights to LEDs which should prove more economical. Also, with a grant from ECC we were able to purchase a portable VAS which will soon be put into use and hopefully have a positive impact on those who speed through the village. Councillors continue to regularly litter pick the playing field and other areas of the village to try to keep it tidy.

The Parish Council will maintain awareness of local issues and represent the community to the best of its ability. We will continue to work hard to make this village a pleasant place to live. We will do our best to put forward the views of villagers, to support them and ensure advice and information is accessible to all.

Our meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall and all are welcome to attend.

4. Public Questions – There were none

Cllr P Sadler closed the meeting at 7.06pm

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