

**Parish of Thurcaston & Cropston**  
**Memorial Hall, Anstey Lane, Thurcaston, LE7 7JA**  
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*Minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024*

Attendees: Chair Cllr Mark Charles, Cllr Matt Green, Cllr Sue Graham, Cllr Sylvia Cole, Cllr Jason Fairchild.  
 Clerk/RFO Marianne Lane, Booking Clerk Jane Dew, Cllr Leon Hadji-Nickolaou, Cllr Deborah Taylor & 5 members of public.

1. Apologies for absence – Cllr Michael Jackson sent his apologies and his apology was accepted.
2. To receive Declarations of Interest and requests for dispensations if any. Cllr Sylvia Cole declared an interest in agenda item 9c being a member of the Local History Society.
3. To approve and sign minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Monday November 13<sup>th</sup> 2023. **Resolved to approve as a true record.**  
  
Meeting Closed at 6.46pm
4. Public Participation – Audrey Geary attended public participation to view the pictures drawn by her late father she generously donated to the Memorial Hall. Audrey was thanked by council and so to was Phil Highton for printing the pictures and Matt Green & John Cole for installing them.  
  
Meeting reconvened at 6.55pm. Members of public left meeting.
5. Parish Councillors Reports on meetings they have attended as Parish Council representatives. Cllr Green and Cllr Jackson attended the Charnwood Public Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023. Cllr Mark Charles advised that he and Marianne Lane attended the Broadnook Trust Meeting with CBC.
6. Borough and County Councillor's reports if any. Cllr Deborah Taylor spoke about the flooding in the Borough and also the LCC Budget proposal, LCC are having to use their reserves. Cllr Leon Haji-Nickolaou reported on the flooding in Rothley & surrounding areas, Charnwood Lifeline available for elderly and vulnerable. Thurcaston & Cropston Gardening club's application for the Borough Councillors £500 grant was granted.
7. Councillors are reminded that it is their responsibility to keep their Register of Members Interest details up to date by informing the Monitoring Officer within 28 days of any changes there may be. **Councillors reminded.**
8. Police Reports if any. Police Report received for period 20/11/23 – 21/12/23 Theft Property (inc. attempts) – 1 in Cropston, Theft from Motor Vehicle (inc. attempts) – 1 and Theft Property (inc. attempts) 1 in Thurcaston.
9. **Financial**
  - a) Resolve approval of Budget for 2024/2025 as agreed at Finance meeting in December 2023. **Resolved to approve Budget**
  - b) Resolve approval of Precept for 2024/2025 at £53,378.60 with band D tax base at 938.7 = £56.86 per year. **Resolved to approve Precept figure.**
  - c) To resolve to approve grants as agreed at Finance meeting in December 2023: **Resolved to approve grants**  
 Thurcaston & Cropston Gardening Club **£250** towards cost of advertising  
 Thurcaston & Cropston Local History Society **£210** towards cost of website and publicity
  - d) To receive payment schedule for November @ **£9794.91** and December 2023 @ **£5922.18**. **Received, noted and approved.**
  - e) To receive receipts for November and December 2023 **Received and noted.**
  - f) To receive Bank Reconciliation. **Resolved to approve bank reconciliation**
  - g) Parish Film financial report. **Received Parish Film Report for December 2023 film Roald Dahl's Matilda the Musical.**
  - h) To consider quotation from JT Landscaping with regard to old turning circle at top of tarmac roadway. **Resolved to accept quotation.**
10. To discuss fly-tipping problems in the parish. **Police contacted Cllr Fairchild with a view to discussing fly tipping in the area. Fly tipping problem particularly on lay-by on Bradgate Road in Cropston. Clerk to request signage from CBC to be installed in lay-by.**
11. Consider request from Skill-Stone to engage in communication with regard to their proposed use of land being purchased on Leicester Road in Thurcaston. **Deferred.**
12. To consider Parish meeting to be held between 1<sup>st</sup> March and 1<sup>st</sup> June 2024 **Noted**

- 13. To consider responding to Richard Hill CE Primary Academy admissions consultation. **Council resolved to respond with concerns.**
- 14. To consider responding to LCC Budget proposals. **Noted that LCC are under huge financial pressure.**
- 15. Planning Applications for comment if any. **None received in time for comment**
- 16. Consider any future agenda items. **None**

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