MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE HILL COURT COMMUNITY CENTRE, MAIN STREET, BUSHBY, ON MONDAY 12 MARCH 2018, AT 7.00 P.M.

PRESENT
Members: M P Chamberlain (Chair), Mrs A Burrell, Mr H Gopsill, and Mr J King
District and County Councillor: Mr S Galton
District Councillor: Mr P Elliott
Clerk: Mrs S Bloy
Members of the Public: There were no members of the public present.

ACTION
18/25 CO-OPTION TO THE PARISH COUNCIL
It was noted that a resident had put their name forward for co-option and will be meeting with Cllrs prior to the next meeting.

18/26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Mrs S Johnstone. Apologies for late arrival were received from Mrs E Derrick.

18/27 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION FROM MEMBERS ON MATTERS IN WHICH THEY HAVE A DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST
There were no requests for dispensation.

18/28 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2018
The minutes of the above meeting were approved and signed as a true record.

18/29 MATTERS ARISING FOR INFORMATION
There were no matters for information.

18/30 MATTERS RAISED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
There were no members of the public present.

18/31 GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
It was agreed that there is no need for a meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

18/32 CLERK’S REPORT
The following planning decisions were reported:
17/00958/OUT – outline application for 9 dwellings (Telford Way Garages, Telford Way, Thurnby). APPROVED.
18/00077/NOT – prior approval for erection of single storey rear extension (20 Telford Way, Thurnby). PERMISSION NOT REQUIRED.
18/00022/ADV – installation of external signs and lighting (Rose and Crown, Main Street, Thurnby). APPROVED.
18/00069/FUL – erection of side and rear extension to dwelling and workshop to garage (57 Charnwood Drive, Thurnby). APPROVED.

18/33 COUNCILLORS’ REPORTS
a) TABSASA – there was nothing to report.
b) Other matters – there was nothing to report.

18/34 FINANCIAL MATTERS
It was reported that requests had been received for new litter bins to be located at the Uppingham Road/Main Street junction and at the entrance to Main Street Extension,
leading to public footpath D11. It was agreed that consideration of these and other locations, and the replacement of any remaining dog bins with litter bins be put on the agenda of the next Parish Council meeting. It was noted that where new litter bins are to be sited on Highway land a licence will be required.

It was proposed by Mrs A Burrell and seconded by Mr H Gopsill that the following payments be approved. This was RESOLVED.

**Payments**

i) Quick Cabs (taxibus) - £40.00  
ii) Target Pest Control (dog bins) - £139.20 (116.00 + 23.20 VAT)  
iii) ICP Cleaning Services (Hill Court – 4 weeks cleaning) - £122.40 (102.00 + 20.40 VAT)  
iv) Turney Landscapes Ltd (outstanding invoice for Sept 2017 cut) - £917.06 (764.22 + 152.84 VAT)  
v) The Stationery House (printer toner) - £64.80 (54.00 + 10.80 VAT)  
vi) Broxap (cycle rack) - £270.00 (225.00 + 45.00 VAT)  
vii) Broxap (2 x litter bins) £486.00 (405.00 + 81.00 VAT)  
viii) 2Commune – hosting of old website for 6 months (£180.00 (150.00 + 30.00 VAT)  
ix) Harborough District Council (3 months monthly planned maintenance) - £233.36  
x) LAALC (DPA/FOI training) - £25.00  
xi) Leicestershire County Council (Civil Enforcement Services) - £360.00 (300.00 + 60.00 VAT)  
xii) Rural Community Council (T&B Neighbourhood Plan 9 days) - £3,150.00  
xiii) DCK Accounting Solutions Ltd (payroll) - £30.00 (25.00 + 5.00 VAT)  
xiv) S R Bloy (salary) - £758.76  
xv) S R Bloy (expenses) £67.39

**Direct Debits**

i) HDC (refuse collection) - £27.29  
ii) Total Gas and Power (Electricity) - £33.78  
iii) EMH Homes (Service charge) - £149.20

It was further agreed that the invoice from HDC for slabbing at the MUGA be approved for payment in March.

**18/35 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

a) 18/00225/CLU – Certificate of Lawfulness of proposed development of converting existing loft, installation of dormer to rear and 2 velux windows to front (6 Jasmine Way, Thurnby). NOTED.

b) 18/00261/FUL – erection of single storey side and rear extension (90 Pulford Drive, Thurnby). It was agreed to submit a NEUTRAL response with no comments.

c) 18/00312/OUT – outline application for the erection of up to 125 dwellings and associated infrastructure, including highway and pedestrian access, open space and structural landscaping (access to be considered), (land at Charity Farm, Bushby).

The following initial observations were noted:

- Concern that there had been no engagement by the developer with the local community.
- The Local Plan, which is about to be submitted for inspection, includes no new allocations for Thurnby and Bushby as the Scraptoft North Strategic Development Area (SDA) has been identified within the Principal Urban Area (PUA). This should be afforded weight in the Planning Authority’s consideration of the Bloor Homes application.
- In the event of the Planning Authority granting permission for the application,
there are concerns with regard to the two Bloor Homes sites being developed on a stand-alone basis. This could lead to the overall site being developed in a piecemeal way and the trigger points for both sites being delayed.

In the light of the above, it was agreed that the Parish and District Councillors will organise a drop in session on a Saturday morning, after Easter, in order to allow residents to view the plans. The developer will be invited to attend. Comments made at the event will be forwarded to HDC together with the Parish Council’s response as a statutory consultee. In the meantime, it was agreed that the Clerk will seek an extension to the deadline for the Parish Council’s response.

d) 18/00314/FUL – erection of single storey rear and side extensions (19 Fiona Drive, Thurnby). It was agreed to submit a NEUTRAL response with no comments.

e) 18/00337/FUL – erection of first floor front and side extensions (5 Bennion Road, Bushby). It was agreed to submit a NEUTRAL response with no comments.

f) 18/00348/FUL – erection of 2 storey side extension, porch to front elevation and retrospective erection of boundary fence (resubmission of 17/01708/FUL), (1 Chestnut Drive, Thurnby). It was agreed to submit a NEUTRAL response with no comments.

g) 18/00354/FUL – loft conversion, internal alterations and single storey extension (43 Forest Rise, Thurnby). It was agreed to submit a NEUTRAL response with no comments.

It was proposed by Mr H Gopsill and seconded by Mr J King that the above decisions be agreed. This was RESOLVED.

18/36 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT
It was noted that a new case had been raised with respect to a property on Uppingham Road.

18/37 HIGHWAYS MATTERS
a) Grange Lane pedestrian safety scheme – It was noted that a response had been received from LCC to issues raised by the Parish Council’s insurers. It was agreed that this would be considered further by Mrs E Derrick, Mr S Galton and the Clerk.

b) Conversion of street lights owned by the Parish Council to LED – It was reported that a site visit has been arranged in order for a more accurate assessment of the cost to be made. In addition, it was noted that a proposal has been put for a capital funding to be made available to enable parishes to repay the cost of street light conversion over a number of years.

18/38 URBAN GRASS CUTTING
a) Renewal of Service Level Agreement with LCC – It was noted that the agreement for 2018/19 has been renewed.

b) Commencement of urban grass cutting in 2018 – It was agreed not to have an early cut in March, due to the ground and weather conditions. The first cut will therefore take place in April.

18/39 LCC EARLY HELP REVIEW
It was agreed that the Clerk would draft a response to the above consultation (available at http://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/earlyhelp) for consideration at the next meeting.

18/40 LICENCE AGREEMENT FOR USE OF HILL COURT COMMUNITY CENTRE AS A CHILDREN’S CENTRE
It was noted that confirmation has been received that the above has been renewed for up to 12 months from 1 May 2018.
18/41 LEICESTER AND LEICESTERSHIRE STRATEGIC GROWTH PLAN REVIEW
The above review (available at http://www.llstrategicgrowthplan.org.uk/) was considered and the following comments agreed:

- The planned rather than piecemeal approach to ensuring that infrastructure to match growth is welcomed.
- Concerns at the disproportionate level of housing in the south of the county compared with the north which will have the benefit of HS2.
- Concerns at the disproportionate level of housing in Harborough District (15,000 along the proposed A46 Expressway).
- The A46 Expressway will enable travel round the City, but does not address the issue of access into the City.
- There is a desire to enhance Leicester City for employment, leisure, tourism etc, but inadequate access to the City has not been addressed.
- The plan is “car-based” and does not take account of poor public transport, particularly in the rural areas.

It was agreed that the Clerk would submit the above on the Parish Council’s behalf.

Clerk 20:20 Mrs E Derrick joined the meeting.

18/42 PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE
It was noted that the new Parish Council website is now live at http://www.thurnbybushbyparish.org.uk/ The Parish Council’s entries in the A-Z section are still being worked on and the Clerk will circulated draft content for comment, before making them live.

Clerk

18/43 THURNBY AND BUSHBY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STAKEHOLDER EVENT
It was reported that 34 people had attended the above event. The report should be completed by the end of the week and will be considered at the next meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group together with the report on the Community drop in event.

18/44 LCC BRIEFING ABOUT PASSENGER TRANSPORT POLICY AD STRATEGY AND THE RELATED PUBLIC CONSULTATION – 26 MARCH 2018
It was agreed that Mr H Gopsill will attend the above event on behalf of the Parish Council.

18/45 MUGA AT MANOR FIELD
a) Slabbing and installation of bike rack – It was noted that this had been completed and an invoice is awaited from HDC.

b) End of s106 grant report – It was noted that the end of grant funding report needs to be completed. The Clerk will prepare a draft for consideration at the next meeting.

Clerk

18/46 PROVISION OF OUTDOOR GYM EQUIPMENT
It was noted that a member of the Sports and Recreation Working Group has undertaken some initial research into outdoor gym equipment. This will be considered at the next meeting of the Working Group for inclusion in recommendations for potential future provision within the village.

18/47 UPDATE ON COMMUNITY DEFIBRILLATORS FOR THURNBY AND BUSHBY
It was reported that the provision of an addition community defibrillator is ongoing.

Clerk

18/48 VILLAGE LITTER PICK ON SATURDAY 17 MARCH 2018
Arrangements for the litter pick as previously agreed were noted as was Cllr availability.

18/49 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS
a) Report from tree wardens – It was reported that the tree wardens will complete
their review once the weather improves. It was agreed that planting of the Oak on Jubilee Walk and the replacement memorial tree on Church green be undertaken within the Turney Landscapes contract agreement.

b) Litter – Earlier discussion regarding the provision of litter bins was noted (minute 18/34 refers). In addition, concerns were raised regarding further fly tipping on the layby between T&B and Stoughton and agreed that this will be reported by the Clerk. It was agreed that the Clerk would also check with HDC the arrangements for litter picking rural roads. It was suggested that the Parish Council together with Scraptoft PC may consider employing someone to litter pick in the two parishes as a joint project.

18/50 PERSONNEL MATTERS
The Clerk left the meeting during consideration of this agenda item.

The following matters were proposed by Mrs P Chamberlain and seconded by Mr H Gopsill:

 the Clerk’s contract be amended to be the nationally agreed (SLCC and NALC) contract;
 an incremental point (LC2 scale point 27) be awarded from 1 April 2018 and reviewed annually;
 hours be increased from 1 April 2018 from 18 to 20 hours per week.
 payment back dated for 50 hours additional time spent during the current financial year, at a cost of £608.05.

In addition, it was reported that the Clerk will be taking a period of sick leave from 21 May and agreed that cover on a casual hourly basis (LC2 scale point 26) be arranged.

The above matters were RESOLVED.

18/51 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING
The following items were agreed:

 school buses using cutting through the village;
 response to the LCC Early Help Review;
 review of litter/dog bins in Thurnby and Bushby.

18/52 DATE OF NEXT MEETING
The next meeting will be held on Monday 9 April 2018, commencing at 7.00 pm at the Hill Court Community Centre.

The meeting closed at 20:50

Chair, 9 April 2018