

THROWLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting Monday 17th July 2017 at 7.30pm Parsonage Farm Conference Room, Throwley

PRESENT: Roger Clarke (Vice-Chairman)
Roger Scutt
Sian Lewis
Tim Young
Alan Murphy
Adam Jastrzebski
Jill Moore (Clerk)

Apologies; Frances Wilson, Andrew Bowles, Colin Prescott

1. Minutes of AGM & Meeting 15th May 2017 were taken as read

2. Matters arising from the Minutes

- a) Potholes on un-adopted roads around the forstal. **Action; Roger Clarke**
- b) Replacement clerk - Some names have been considered and will be approached shortly. Clerk has agreed to cover the next meeting. **Action; Roger Clarke to contact Sian Lewis**
- c) Defibrillator purchase - Tim Young reported that they cost £700+, with a keypad at around £400. Alternatively hire costs are around £400 p.a., the equivalent to approx £1 per day. There is concern that the village is so widespread a defibrillator will not be of use to those living on the outskirts of the village. It may be more cost effective to have first aiders trained in CPR. There is still the issue of where to keep a defibrillator, they have to be kept in a warm place where they can be charged. The subject was discussed. **Action; Alan Murphy to research in the BMJ.**

3. Commemoration of the Centenary of Throwley Airfield

Adam Jastrzebski reported that plans are well underway. The stand has been painted and the display board delivered to the installer. Roger Scutt is making a concrete base and Maggie Scutt is arranging a cover with the squadron badge. Roger Scutt has sent out invitations, he is still arranging someone to speak. Adam Jastrzebski has contacted TV and press. Faversham News are expected to write an article. The event starts at 11.30 and will last around half an hour. Clive Foreman from the Faversham Society is coming, the author Anthony Moor, and also representatives from Swale BC who awarded the grant. John Hamlin has approached the organisation who has a replica Sopwith Camel and might be willing to perform a flypast. Agreed maximum cost £200. **Action; Adam Jastrzebski to find out how much the flypast would cost. Sian Lewis to send images to Adam Jastrzebski**

4. Local broadband issues

An email has been sent around to let everyone know that the new lines are in. BT haven't advertised but have delivered flyers. Adam Jastrzebski is encouraging everyone to change to the superfast broadband. **Action; none at present.**

5. Forstal trees

Roger Clarke reported that the trees are growing at an astonishing rate meaning that at some stage they will need to be trimmed and this will cost. The subject was discussed. It was suggested that it may be worthwhile planting replacement trees for when the current trees are cut down. **Action; Roger Clarke to ask Nick Stears to reduce them.**

6. Environment Agency

Roger Clarke reported that there has been an email from the Environment Agency liaison officer, and Adam Jastrzebski has spoken to him. They are looking for co-operation from the TPC. It is thought there may be contamination of water but the source is unknown. The subject was discussed at length. **Action: none at present, further discussions to be conducted with chairwoman.**

7. Finance update

- a. Clerk reported that all bills have been paid up to date.
- b. No news on the accounts.
- c. **Action; Kent Air Ambulance to be paid £100**
- d. No invoice yet from Mark Deals for last years grass cutting.

8. Any other business

- a. Roger Scutt - Frank Stears planning application has been turned down. Roger Scutt suggests that should he put in for planning app again then the TPC should put in a letter recommending that the app go ahead because just to say 'TPC has no objections' is insufficient. It was suggested that a letter be sent to Swale BC on this occasion. **Action; Roger Clarke to draft an email (all to see), to be sent on by clerk to Swale BC.**
- b. Local Housing issue – nothing further at the moment.
- c. Correspondence – invite to dedication service for the Mayor of Swale BC.
- d. Correspondence – age UK posters for the notice board.

Time and date of next meeting is **Monday 18th September 2017** at 7.30pm at Parsonage Farm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.50 pm

Signed _____ Date _____