

**TRIMLEY ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 2ND MARCH 2022
AT THE WELCOME HALL**

PRESENT:

L Beal, B Frost, C Jacobs, G Prosser, S Ring, D Southgate, A Tetley (Chairman).

Meeting commenced at 19:30 hrs.

Public Open Forum:

Verbal report from County Councillor, Stuart Bird. Councillor Bird reported that he had attended a meeting with representatives of Suffolk Highways to discuss pedestrian safety at Thurmans Lane – it was suggested that six ‘step-offs’ are installed at a total cost of approx. £2K. Stage one of the project is the design and preliminary drawings will be put forward for approval.

Councillor Bird advised that he could fund the project.

Apologies were received from District Councillor, Mick Richardson.

One member of the public was present.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Trustees Issues – All.

2. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 2nd February were proposed, seconded and agreed by the council.

3. PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

None

4. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

4.1 Pedestrian safety issues at Thurmans Lane were discussed with County Councillor, Stuart Bird, during the Public Open Forum.

4.2 There were no updates on the Parish Plan.

4.3 Councillors were advised of the proposed article for the next news article, this will include information about the Jubilee event and information about

community groups using the Welcome Hall. Clerk to request an updated list of hirers from the Welcome Hall Management Committee.

4.4 It was agreed that there would be a Zoom meeting of the Jubilee Event Working Party on 15.2.22.

A nomination has been made for the Festival of Suffolk Torch Relay.

It was agreed that the PC would sponsor trophies for a TRD tournament and would provide medals for each player. A budget of £500 was agreed.

4.5 It was reported that the 'Treebilee' tree has been planted at St Marys Green as part of the Queens Canopy project. The Councillors thanked Colin Jacobs for his help with this project. It was agreed that the PC would fund a bench for the same site but there would be no concrete base and the bench would require soft ground fixings.

It was agreed that suitable existing trees should be identified for TPO's to assist with providing a canopy.

4.6 It was agreed that the PC would publish the 'Walks in Trimley' leaflets on the website and on the FB page. Clerk to contact the authors of the publications to thank them for their hard work.

4.7 It had been reported that residents are increasingly concerned about the level of crime in the village and how crime should be reported. Clerk advised that residents should use 101 to report crime (999 in an emergency) but that contact would be made with the Police to discuss a possible meeting.

4.8 It was reported that interviews for the clerks post had taken place and that a candidate had been recommended. This is to be discussed further in an 'in camera' meeting.

5. FINANCE:

5.1 Monthly Financial Statement:

Clerk presented statement as at 25.2.22

Balance of £111,681.59.

5.2 For Approval:

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| A Halliday | Litter picking – Feb 22 | 80.00 |
| Clerk | Salary to 7.3.22 | 1265.42 |
| HMRC | PAYE to 5.3.22 | 239.50 |
| NEST (D/D) | Pension contribution | 98.82 |
| Suffolk Norse | Turf-care @ Stennetts – Feb 22 | 396.35 |

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| Joe Hunt | Grass cutting | 60.00 |
| Clerk | Accommodation allowance | |
| | April 22 – Mar 22 | 216.00 |
| C Jacobs | Travel claim | 12.60 |
| Vodafone (D/D) | Calls & charges | 34.35 |

5.3 Paid since last meeting:

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| Clerk | Zoom subscription | 143.88 |
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5.4 The Financial Risk Assessment and Internal Audit Table were reviewed and agreed.

5.5 It was agreed that the PC would request a payment of £851.15 to the Trusts for clerk's admin services.

6. PLANNING:

6.1 Applications Received:

DC/22/0388 – 3, Tylers Green – erection of front porch – Passed to PC Planning Committee.

6.2 ESC Decisions:

DC/22/0023 – 8, Dains Place – erection of extension – Permitted.

7. HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS:

7.1 It was agreed that the Clerk would contact MP, Therese Coffey to ask for assistance in contacting Network Rail concerning the footbridge at Trimley St Mary station.

8. ITEMS TO BE CARRIED FORWARD TO NEXT MEETING:

8.1 Thurmans Lane pedestrian safety.

8.2 Parish Plan.

8.3 News articles.

8.4 Queens Jubilee celebrations.

8.5 Queens Canopy.

Meeting closed at 2105 hrs.

-----Chairman-----Date

**The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Wednesday
6th April 2022.**