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**The Parish Councillors of THURSTON PARISH COUNCIL are summoned to attend the COUNCIL MEETING on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2025 commencing at 7.00pm in the Thurston Community Library on Norton Road.**

**The Council, members of the public and press may record/film/photograph or broadcast this meeting when the public and press are not lawfully excluded.**

## A G E N D A

1.	Opening including Statement	7.00
2.	Apologies – a) Council to receive apologies for absence. b) Council to consent to accept apologies received.	7.01
3.	Declarations of interests: a) To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests, other registerable interests and non-registerable interests as detailed in Appendix B of the LGA Model Code of Conduct for the Agenda under discussion. b) To receive notification of gifts of hospitality exceeding £50. c) To note the determination of requests for dispensations in accordance with Council's Dispensation Policy.	7.05
4.	Minutes of previous meetings: a) To receive and consider the minutes of the following meeting: <i>(all as previously circulated)</i> Meeting of 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2025.	7.10
5.	REPORTS FOR INFORMATION – to receive the following reports as submitted by: a) County Councillor Penny Otton. b) District Councillors David Bradbury & Harry Richardson.	7.15
6.	Police Matters – a) To receive a report from PCSO Matt Brown from Stowmarket Community Policing Team (CPT) on crimes relating to Thurston for the month of January 2025. b) To consider matters for referral to Stowmarket CPT.	7.25
7.	PUBLIC FORUM – <i>at the direction of the Chair matters will either be responded to or deferred for further discussion and/or debate.</i> a) To receive comments from members of the public on the agenda submitted. b) To receive comments from members of the public on matters relating to Thurston.	7.30
8.	Statutory Business – <i>to view associated papers please use the following web-link:</i> <a href="https://thurstonparishcouncil.uk/parish-council/agendas-and-minutes/">https://thurstonparishcouncil.uk/parish-council/agendas-and-minutes/</a> a) Norfolk and Suffolk devolution consultation - Establishing a Mayoral Combined Authority across Norfolk County Council and Suffolk County Council - closure date being 13 April 2025 b) To review and comment upon SCC's Thurston Area Transport Plan which feeds into SCC's Local Transport Plan 2025-2040 (LTP) and SCC's Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIP).	7.45
9.	To consider matters relating to Planning: a) Planning Applications to be considered by the Council received from Mid Suffolk District Council: full details of the applications listed below are available to view	7.55

	<p>online by visiting: <a href="http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/development-management/application-search-and-comment/search-for-applications/">http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/development-management/application-search-and-comment/search-for-applications/</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DC/23/02429 – Hybrid Planning Application – Full Planning application: Erection of 3 no. dwellings with garaging and open space provision on adjacent site. Outline Planning application (Access Points to be considered, Appearance, Layout, Landscaping and Scale to be Reserved) - Erection of 7 No. Dwellings with associated garaging involving the demolition of an existing building and the provision of allotments and community land with its own independent access and car parking on adjacent land. The hybrid application includes a package of mitigation offered by the developer. PLEASE NOTE THIS APPLICATION HAS BEEN REVISED AND NOW INCLUDES THE PROPOSAL PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED UNDER APPLICATION REFERENCE DC/23/02430 (BARRELLS ROAD). Location: Land at Norton Road And Land at Barrells Road – council to formally debate the uplift in numbers for the outline planning application.</li> <li>b) Hakewill Mews – new development at land to the west of Ixworth Road – to note the confirmed road names for the site.</li> <li>c) Intended road works in Thurston updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Heath Road – 24 Feb – 5<sup>th</sup> March – Developer works – traffic control (two-way signals).</li> <li>➤ Beyton Road – 24 Feb – 14<sup>th</sup> March – Developer Works – road closure</li> <li>➤ Beyton Road, Thurston Road &amp; Thedwastre Road – 17 Mar- 3<sup>rd</sup> May – Developer works – road closures</li> <li>➤ A14 Bury St Edmunds, westbound junction 43 exit slip road closure – maintenance – 10-15<sup>th</sup> March 8.00pm to 6.00am.</li> </ul> </li> <li>d) To receive an update on the A1088 Bridge Farm Bridge, Stowlangtoft, reconstruction.</li> <li>e) To note the dates for the following parish liaison meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Bloor Homes – 5<sup>th</sup> March 2025 (on site) at 2.00pm and to note receipt of the notes from the meeting of 5<sup>th</sup> February 2025.</li> <li>➤ Vistry Homes – 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025 (on site) at 9.00am and to note receipt of the notes from the meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> February 2025.</li> <li>➤ Persimmon Homes (Hakewill Mews) – 12<sup>th</sup> March 2025 (Pavilion, Recreation Ground) at 2.00pm.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
10.	<p>To consider matters relating to Finance - to view all associated papers please use the following web-link: <a href="https://thurstonparishcouncil.uk/parish-council/agendas-and-minutes/">https://thurstonparishcouncil.uk/parish-council/agendas-and-minutes/</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) To approve the accounts awaiting payment including those coming forth (<i>Paper 1 – 05.03.25</i>)</li> <li>b) To note the accounts paid since the last meeting (<i>Paper 2 – 05.03.25</i>)</li> <li>c) To note receipts allocated since the last meeting (<i>Paper 3 – 05.03.25</i>)</li> <li>d) To receive the Balance of the Accounts for the period ending 28.02.25 – (<i>Paper 4 – 05.03.25</i>)</li> <li>e) To note the CIL report for February 2025 including nominal sums for potential CIL expenditure for the coming year and receipts received (<i>Paper 5 – 05.03.25</i>)</li> <li>f) To receive the revised budget for 2025-2026 to incorporate an uplift in the sums to be funded from CIL – (<i>Paper 6 – 05.03.25</i>)</li> <li>g) To consider requests for donations for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 – (<i>Paper 7 – 05.03.25</i>)</li> <li>h) To receive and consider the internal control review as carried out by Cllr. Rainbow on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025 - (<i>Paper 8 – 05.03.25</i>)</li> <li>i) To receive the minutes of the Policy and Resources Committee noting that the annual review of the council’s financial risk assessment and internal controls has now been completed (<i>P&amp;R Draft Minutes– 12.02.25</i>)</li> <li>j) To receive and consider the recommendation by the Policy and Resources Committee</li> </ul>	8.15

	<p>of the appointment of Mr Trevor Brown as Internal Auditor for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 (<i>Paper 9 – 05.03.25</i>).</p> <p>k) Council to note the Data Protection (Charges and Information) (Amendment) regulations 2015 came into force on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2025 with new data protection charges – increasing from £40 to £52.</p>	
11.	<p>Councillor Reports:</p> <p>a) To report village matters of concern to the Clerk.</p> <p>b) To receive items for information only from parish council appointed representatives on outside bodies / groups.</p>	8.35
12.	<p>Clerks Report – to receive and consider information from the Clerk and Deputy Clerk and in particular:</p> <p>a) To receive the reports of items actioned under delegated powers</p> <p>b) To receive an update on the allotments on Thurston Park and the process for allocation.</p> <p>c) To note that the Clerk as Proper Officer has completed the re-declaration of compliance with the Pensions Regulator under the Pension Act 2008.</p> <p>d) SCC – Libraries and SCC’s plans to take services back in house – council to note correspondence received.</p> <p>e) To receive items of correspondence for noting only.</p>	8.45
13.	<p>To confirm the date of future meetings: all taking place in the Thurston Community Library:</p> <p>a) Full Council Meeting – 5<sup>th</sup> March 2025 – commencing at 7.00pm in the Community Library, Norton Road.</p> <p>b) Council’s Committees Meeting – 19<sup>th</sup> March 2025 – commencing at 7.00pm in the Community Library, Norton Road.</p> <p>c) Annual Parish Meeting – 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025 – commencing at 7.30pm in the Cavendish Hall, Church Road.</p>	8.55
14.	<p>To resolve that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded from the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed –</p> <p>a) To note the outcome of the recruitment for a Village Ranger and to ratify the recommendation for appointment.</p>	9.00
15.	Close of the meeting	9.15
<p><b>Victoria S Waples</b>  Clerk &amp; Proper Officer to the Parish Council  27.02.2025</p>		