

Therfield Parish Council



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MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of Therfield Parish Council held on Tuesday 11th March 2025 at 7.30pm at Therfield Chapel.

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Councillors Present: Cllr Andy Osbourne (Chair), Cllr Ian Small (Vice-Chair), Cllr Vanessa Atha, Cllr Tim Jeffries, Cllr Dave Wealthy, Cllr Sally Whitby.

In Attendance: Four members of the Public, Conservator Robert Law, Clerk Alice Lawrence, Sarah Wylie Clerk to the Parish Council.

AGENDA	
01.03.25	To receive and approve apologies for absence. None. AO proposed, Council approved.
02.03.25	To receive members' declaration of any pecuniary interest connected to the agenda. None. AO proposed, Council approved.
03.03.25	To approve the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 14 th January 2025, and the Chair to sign them as a true record. AO proposed, VA seconded. TJ – note re the beacon and VE plans. TJ to action.
04.03.25	To invite members of the public to address the meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• AO to explain Precept demand for 2025-2026 – to be put on Therfield and website.• Potholes:<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Dane End is scheduled for this week.2. Pedlars Lane done.3. Rooks Nest – ongoing. Raised with Highways multiple times.
05.03.25	To discuss matters relating to North Herts and Herts CC. None.
06.03.25	To discuss matters relating to Heath and Greens. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Annual GM of the Conservators.• All positions are filled.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full time Ranger now appointed. • Clerk and Assistant Clerk have been appointed. • HCC to remove the furniture to the Rooks Nest – Steve Jarvis aware. • AO to send request for grass cutting grant. • School sign requested on the triangle – RL to raise at the next meeting.
07.03.25	<p>To hear from the Financial Officer: Alice Lawrence to provide reconciled accounts meanwhile. AO proposed, Council approved.</p>
08.03.25	<p>To hear reports from the nominated representatives for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highways and Police Potholes – item 04.03.25 Gas canisters – police aware. • Footpaths SW has emailed Robert regarding BOAT 36 – CC are on the case – delayed due to weather. • Planning <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tuthill 24/02606/FP. Ongoing. Engage Highways on all aspects of both this and the Tussocks application. 2. Tussocks 24/01371/FP. Permission granted but highways issues outstanding – Clerk to action a reply. 3. Grange Meadow has started. • AED <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dave Wealthy is now in charge. Pads and battery will need to be replaced. 2. AL to possibly action for a new one. • Any other items <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Welcome to Alice Lawrence. 2. Zoom meeting to be organised between meetings just to catch up. AL proposed, AO seconded. 3. Safeguarding policy. AO stated that NHDC suggested amendments to the new policy. Council voted to adopt. AO to action amendments. AO to attend NHDC meeting forum on the 26th March to present the case for Lunch Club funding for the new shed – which will hopefully be granted from the Community Grant Scheme. £901 requested, with potential £600 from PC funds. 4. School bins. School has actioned and ordered a larger bin – costs more... TJ proposed a contribution from the Council. AL to action and liaise with VA. 5. Swift boxes project. SW, VA, DW meeting. AO to action on the hub, magazine and notice boards. 6. Conservators' meeting feedback. 7. School involvement feedback. 24th March – School Council meeting VA and DW to attend. 8. Website management. Simon Brazil is moving his business to a new server and standing down. PC will have to move website to new server. SB will assist with input from DW and AL.

	<p>9. Playground. Picnic bench. Maintenance quote and roundabout quote – AL to action.</p> <p>10. Parish Council notice boards purchase. AO proposed and Council voted in favour. Clerk to action.</p> <p>11. DW – litter pick will be on March 29th.</p> <p>12. Generic Council email addresses. AL to action with SB.</p>
09.01.25	<p>To receive matters for report and/or referral to next agenda (info only).</p> <p>Parking of the Wheatley Homes vans. IS to action with the Site Manager.</p>
10.01.25	<p>Note correspondence received.</p> <p>Email from Tony Fuller re putting himself forward for councillor role. AO to arrange meeting.</p>
11.01.25	<p>To confirm date of next meeting.</p> <p>May 13th 2025.</p>

Meeting ended at 20.47.