

**Thelbridge Parish Council**

Minutes of the meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at Thelbridge Parish Hall

**Present:**

Cllrs. Boundy, Gibson, Hayes, Kneller, Grant and Cowell.

**In attendance:**

Parish Clerk and 1 member of the public, Mrs E Collier.

**23/01 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received, and accepted, from Cllr. Clements. Apologies also received from District Cllr. Colthrope and County Cllr. Squires.

Prior to the commencement of business the Chairman welcomed the new Clerk and new councillor Christopher Keller.

**23/02 Minutes of previous meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023 were agreed and signed as a true and correct copy.

**23/03 Public Forum**

Mrs Collier wished to speak about the grass cutting at Eastwick Barton, Nomansland. When the properties were built Devon County Council took responsibility for the grass cutting of the open space. Now it has fallen to some residents to maintain and pay for the area.

It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Devon County Council and find out what she could about the situation and see if it could be resolved.

The Chair suggested that instead of only taking note of items on the agenda, any item could be brought to the Council's attention on the understanding that there could be no decision made at that meeting.

**23/04 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations.

**23/05 Outgoing Clerk**

The new Clerk asked for her thanks to Janet de Rochefort to be recorded for her help in the handover.

**23/06 Reports from County and District Councillors**

None received

**23/07 Road Warden**

Sean Hartrey, the volunteer Road Warden, is willing to continue in pothole filling, but suggested better communication from the Highways Officer would be helpful as after filling some holes, Highways did some re-surfacing.

**23/08 Finger Post Repair**

A quote for the repair of three finger posts had been received, but if fixed by the Council there could be a reduction in price.

It was decided that Cllr. Grant would seek further quotes.

**23/09 Finance**

Payments to:

J De Rochefort for expenses - £28.27 and

Parish Magazine Printing for the last newsletter - £50.75 were approved.

**23/10 Planning**

There were no planning matters to consider.

**23/11 Future Meeting Dates**

Meeting dates in September and November 2023 and January, March and May 2024 were provisionally agreed.

**23/12 Any Other Items of Information**

Councillors had received comments from the public about the hedge at Doctors Corner. The Clerk to ask DCC to request that the hedge is cut.

The meeting closed at 20.15

Signed W. R. Bounby  
(Chairman)

Date 20<sup>th</sup> September 2023