

THURNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes – Thursday 10th September 2026 @7.30pm

Present were Cllrs Jonathan Molineux, Ann Lamb, Jenny Davies & Leslie George, the Clerk Jane Beck, County Cllr Jason Hughes and seven parishioners were also in attendance.

1. Apologies – Cllr Donnie Cooke
2. Declaration of Interest – None
3. Minutes of the 2nd July 2026 having been circulated via e-mail and being available on the website were agreed and signed by Cllrs Jonathan Molineux and Cllr Lesley George.
4. Matters arising:
 - a. The Parish Council are still awaiting the outcome of the Tree Survey undertaken by GYServices in relation to the leased land adjacent to the toilets. **Action: Clerk to chase GYServices to provide the report for consideration at the next meeting.**
 - b. Land Purchase – All documentation has been provided to the approved Solicitor England and Co. they are now dealing directly with Norfolk County Council (NCC) in relation to the purchase. The Council has been made aware of a possible slight delay in completion of the sale due to an amendment NCC need to undertake with Land Registry, further update at the November meeting.
5. Planning Applications – none received this period.
6. Correspondence and Clerks Report –
 - a. Local Government Reform for Norfolk has been postponed by Government to allow for further investigations, no further information at this time.
 - b. Anglian Water Webinar was attended by Cllr Lamb and found to be extremely informative, questions and answers from the session have been provided and circulated. **Action: Clerk to request permission from Anglian Water to post either the document or a link to their page on the news page of the Thurne Parish Council website.**
 - c. Preparing for Elections training is being undertaken by the Norfolk Parish Training Service, it was unanimously agreed that the Clerk attend the training on behalf of the Parish Council. **Action: Clerk to attend NPTS Elections Training.**
 - d. Flegg and Rural Neighbourhood Planning meeting is being held on the 3rd December 2027 invitation has been circulated to Thurne Parish Councillors.
 - e. Enquiries were received in relation to Grounds Maintenance Contracts for the Village and the opportunity to tender for any new contract. It was clarified that the Parish Council have the benefit of an 'as and when contract' currently with a local provider at a minimal cost to the Parish. At present Councillors agreed they would not wish to change this arrangement but would continue to review in the future as and when appropriate.

- f. The Annual Hickling Flood Meeting will be held on the 25th September 2026, invitations have been circulated to the Parish Councillors.

7. Financial Matters

- a. The following payments were unanimously approved as follows:
- NWHP Ltd – Playing Field Lease £365.43 plus VAT
 - Clerk Salary (to be paid end September) - £390 plus £70.60 expenses.
- b. Income, expenditure and the balance sheet for the period July to 1st September 2026:

Thurne Parish Council				
Prepared by:	Jane Beck			
Statement Date	1st September 2026			
BANK RECONCILIATION				
Balance per bank statements as at:		1st September 2026		
			£	£
	Current Account		1,062.73	
	Business Saver Account		22,580.34	
				23,643.07
	Bank Transfer	Payee	Value	
				0.00
Any unbanked cash at:		1st September 2026		0.00
Nett Balances as at:		1st September 2026		23,643.07
CASH BOOK				
Opening Balance		Tuesday, April 01, 2025		23,594.78
	Add Receipts in the year			4,090.27
	Less Payments in the year			4,041.98
Closing Balance per Cash Book as at:		1st September 2026		23,643.07

Income June to August 2026 (incl)

Date	Details	Amount £
		£4,090.27
9 Jun 2026	Interest	8.96
1 July 2026	Slipway Income (Paypal)	9.70
3 July 2026	Slipway Income	105.00
9 July 2026	Interest	9.27
28 July 2026	Mooring Fee - Berth 4	298.00
10 August 2026	Interest	9.89

Payments June to 1st September 2026

		£4,041.98
23-June-26	Service Charge - Community Acct	4.25
06-July-26	Salary - Toilet Cleaner	450.00
06-July-26	Create Bespoke Ltd (Slipway Signs)	112.10
6 July 2026	Salary and Expenses - Clerk	304.60
06-July-26	HMRC - PAYE	163.19
27-July-26	Service Charge - Community Acct	4.25
03-August-26	Salary - Toilet Cleaner	465.00
06-August-26	England and Co. - Land Purchase	350.00
25-August-26	Service Charge - Community Acct	4.25
01-September-26	Salary - Toilet Cleaner	465.00

8. Thurne Fete

An update was given to the meeting on the July 2026 Fete. The event was extremely successful, with record amounts were raised and a record turnout reported. The event

benefited from great weather, a good atmosphere and a wide range of events. Additional safety precautions were put in place due to the extreme heat and dry nature of the playing field including implementing a no smoking rule for the field.

Funds were raised through a variety of events during the summer including through the support of The Lion Pub holding a quiz, Brundall Lions Club donating funds and raffle prizes, donations of wool from a local resident and sales on eBay to boost income.

The earlier starting time was a positive move and recommended to continue for future fetes.

The Fete Committee thanked all those who had helped prior, during and since the event to give such a positive outcome this year. The Parish Council would like to add sincere thanks to all the Fete Team for their work and dedication in delivering yet another successful event for the village, which is acknowledged continues to go from strength to strength each year.

Next year's event is proposed for Saturday 31st July.

The Fete will donate £650 to the Thurne Parish Council and would like this if possible to be retained for improvements to the Playing Field area.

9. Thurne Public Toilets –

Some vandalism issues over the summer period, these have been reported to GYBC.

10. Playing Field and Slipway

- a. Slipway collection for the period totalled £139.35 via cash and electronic payment.

11. GYBC Councillor – no report received. Parish Council have requested the Clerk contact the Leader of GYBC to express the disappointment in the continued non-attendance of the Local Councillor **Action: Clerk to GYBC Leader regarding non-attendance of Local Councillor at meetings.**

12. Norfolk County Councillor Hughes reported-

- a. Task Force is now in place in relation to illegal trading; this has resulted in some establishments being closed which is a positive move for trading in the Great Yarmouth area.
- b. Savings initiatives at Norfolk County Council have enabled additional funding to be directed to the Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service in addition to funds being returned to the NCC reserve.
- c. Village speed limit – A desktop survey will be undertaken in readiness for the availability of future funding. At this stage the scheme cannot be progressed further, but this will remain a key area of work to progress for Cllr Hughes during his election term.
- d. Yellow Line Restricted Parking – A Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) is required for this work to progress, at present funding is not available however Cllr Hughes will

request NCC consider undertaking the required survey in readiness for further funding.

- e. Cllr Hughes would like to donate the 10% of his allowance to a local charity/organisation, please provide any options direct to Cllr Hughes.

13. Parishioners

- a. Cllr Lamb would like the Village to consider developing and Emergency Plan in line with Norfolk Resilience Forum documents. It was agreed that this item should be considered further at the next meeting and a dedicated item is to be added to the agenda. **Action: Clerk to include an addition agenda item – Thurne Village Emergency Plan to the November Agenda.**
- b. A Parishioner asked how long the land purchase would likely take to complete. Council confirmed that until the Land Registry issue for NCC is resolved it is not possible to provide a completion timeline. It was agreed that once the land transaction is completed further works to improve the land will be considered.
- c. Cllr Hughes was requested by a Parishioner to consider the location of speed signs in the village and not just focus on the centre of the village, this was acknowledged by Cllr Hughes
- d. Cllr Davies raised on behalf of the Thurne Community Archive Group a request for funding support. The Council unanimously agreed to support to the group through a £50 contribution. **Action: Clerk to confirm details for £50 contribution to the Thurne Community Archive Group.** Following on from this discussion Cllr Hughes agreed to support with group with a £100 donation.

The meeting closed at 20:20