THURNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes – Thursday 5th November 2026 @7.30pm

Present were Cllrs Jonathan Molineux, Ann Lamb, Donny Cooke & Leslie George, the Clerk Jane Beck, and five parishioners were also in attendance.

1. Apologies – Cllr Jenny Davies
2. Declaration of Interest – None
3. Minutes of the 10th September 2026 having been circulated via e-mail and being available on the website were agreed and signed by Cllrs Jonathan Molineux and Cllr Anne Lamb.
4. Matters arising:
    a. Tree Survey – report received from GYServices some clarity to be sought regarding works recommended for the coming 6-month period. **Action: Cllr Molineux will contact GYServices to clarify and report back to the next meeting.**
    b. Land Purchase – Land registry still awaited no further update.
    c. Email sent to Leader GYBC expressing disappointment at the non-attendance at Parish Council meetings of the Local Borough Councillor – no response was received to the email.
5. Planning Applications – none received this period.
6. Correspondence and Clerks Report –
    a. Norfolk County Council Budget Consultation is underway areas for budget consideration include – Council Tax increase, reduced gritting by 5%, reduced hazardous waste events, reduce highway maintenance by 5%, reduced verge grass cutting, reduced highway weed killing. There will be a further consultation in relation to school transport in the coming weeks. **Action: Clerk to respond and express concern in relation to reduced gritting and highway maintenance due to impacts this could have on village access.**
    b. GYBC are using the new Planning National Scheme of Delegation, further information available on the GYBC website.
    c. GYBC will be moving to a CIL planning system from a S106 provision in February 2027, further detail available on the GYBC website.
    d. The Thurne Web Provider has confirmed that updates have been made as a result of the recent PHP vulnerabilities risk identified by AI, which impacted many government systems. The website is fully operational and no issues were identified.
    e. Digital AGAR reporting will likely commence in 2027, the Clerk has requested sign up for a free webinar session to learn more about the change, the session is currently oversubscribed further dates are awaited.

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f. Broads Engage is holding a public meeting on the 1st December at 6pm in the Acle Recreation Ground, tickets are available on the Broads website for this event and booking are being taken until 22nd November.

7. Financial Matters
   a. The following payments were unanimously approved as follows:
      - Tree Survey £250 plus VAT (awaiting invoice)
      - Methodist Hall Hire - £50
      - HMRC - £175.42 (Tax and NI payments)
      - Church Burial Grant Payment £900
      - Archive Group contribution - £50

   b. Income, expenditure and the balance sheet for the period September and October 2026:

Balance Sheet to end October 2026

Prepared by:	Jane Beck				
Statement Date	31 October 2026				
BANK RECONCILIATION					
Balance per bank statements as at:		**31 October 2026**			
				£	£
	Current Account			1,274.64	
	Business Saver Account			22,598.90	
					23,873.54
Petty Cash Float					-
Less Unpresented Cheques at:		**31 October 2026**			
	Bank Transfer	**Payee**		**Value**	
					0.00
Any unbanked cash at:		**31 October 2026**			0.00
Nett Balances as at:		**31 October 2026**			23,873.54
CASH BOOK					
Opening Balance		**Tuesday, April 01, 2025**			23,594.78
	Add Receipts in the year				6,098.18
	Less Payments in the year				5,819.42
Closing Balance per Cash Book as at:		**31 October 2026**			23,873.54

Income September and October 2026:

9 September 2026	Interest			9.28
10 September 2026	Slipway Income (Paypal)			33.85
11 September 2026	Slipway Income			105.50
16 September 2026	Thurne Fete - Contribution to Parish Council			650.00
6 October 2026	GYBC Precept and Burial Grant			1,200.00
9 October 2026	Interest			9.28

Payments September and October 2026:

01-September-26	Salary - Toilet Cleaner				465.00
15 September 2026	NWHP Ltd (Playingfield Lease)	6			438.52
15 September 2026	RLS Computer Services	7			228.00
25-September-26	Service Charge - Community Acct				4.25
30-September-26	NPTS - Election Training	8			62.40
30-September-26	Thurne Methodist Church - Hall Hire	9			50.00
30-September-26	Salary - Toilet Cleaner				255.00
30-September-26	Salary and Expenses - Clerk				304.60
30-September-26	HMRC - PAYE				175.42
26-October-26	Service Charge - Community Acct				4.25
30-October-26	Salary - Toilet Cleaner				255.00

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8. Thurne Fete
   This item to be removed from the agenda until March 2027
9. Thurne Public Toilets –
   Toilets have now closed for the season; further vandalism has been experienced and consideration of closing the facilities from 5pm is requested to be considered for 2027 season. **Action: Clerk to request GYBC close down services and undertake repairs.**
10. Playing Field and Slipway
    a. Slipway collection for the period totalled £37.85 via cash and electronic payment.
11. Thurne Village Emergency Plan – Consideration was given to a formal Emergency Plan for the village, it was agreed that a formal plan was not felt necessary. All agreed that some practical measures may be beneficial to the village; for example, some additional signage during periods of extreme dry conditions. **Action: Cllr Lamb agreed to give this further consideration and report back to the next meeting.**
12. GYBC Councillor – no report received.
13. Norfolk County Councillor Hughes – no report received.
14. Parishioners
    a. Concern was raised regarding a floodwall stretching some 80m which has not been maintained / increased in height as required. **Action: Cllr Molineux will contact the Environment Agency to request urgent works are carried out.**
    b. A meeting of NCC Highways, County Councillor Hughes and Cllr Molineux is to take place on the 11th November to consider highways issues around the village.
    c. A Parishioner recommended contacting the Fire Service for support with any practical measures for the village during extremely dry periods, Cllr Lamb will consider this suggestion.
    d. A Parishioner asked if residents were permitted to have fires in their gardens, particularly during dry periods. The risks associated with this were noted but no action can be taken by the Parish Council in relation to preventing fires within property boundaries.
    e. Concerns were raised around reduced gritting through the village and the risk this could potential bring to emergency services access when needed, it was agreed that this would be added to the NCC budget consultation response by the Clerk.
    f. A Parishioner asked if any further information was available on the Hedera House development around completion, Cllr Molinuex confirmed the Parish Council was still awaiting details of drainage before any properties could be occupied.

The meeting closed at 20:25

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