

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF THAXTED PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
THURSDAY 11th JULY 2019 following on from the preceding meeting in the Guildhall**

Present: Councillors: T Frostick (Chairman), A Frater (Vice Chairman), J Spencer , V Knight, A Howells, D Morgan. W Brazier, R. Barrington, R Williams

Also Present:

District Cllr Mike Taylor
Dena Ludford Parish Clerk
members of the public 2

19/20.455 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

County Councillor Simon Walsh
District Cllr Martin Foley
I Stewart
A Wattebott

19/20.456 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None received

19/20.457 PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS

Cllr Knight wishes to ask for an update in connection to the Coach Park. The Chairman will discuss this during the chairman's update.

19/20.458 REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE PARISH OF THAXTED

Cllr M Taylor comments on Climate emergency in connection to Stanstead including Noise and pollution which would not have been available at the time of the original S106 agreement. The Local Plan, A briefing has recently taken place and the inspectors are concerns about the 5-year land supply.

The Library situation and ECC have climbed down from their original position. The District Councillor concerns are that we want the library to be keep a fully functioning community facility and it is ECC legal obligation for them to do so. This Council has given their full support in connection to the position of the district council.

An finally a request has been made to place a seat along Town Street, The chairman is aware of the request and this must go to full council and also to Highways for their consideration, the chairman is mindful that there are residents in the vicinity that has been originally tabled.

19/20.459 REPORTS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE PARISH OF THAXTED

Appendix B

The Chairman is disappointed that the street lighting has not been resolved and wishes for the clerk to make contact in connection to this matter.

Cllr Brazier wishes to state that Cllr Walsh was instrumental in the Library consultation and should be commended for doing so public ally.

19/20.460 MINUTES

RESOLVED To **APPROVE** and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Council meeting held on **6th June 2019**

19/20.461 FINANCE

To note the Councils Gross income and expenditure which will be reported for the month of **May 2019**:

a) Expenditure

To agree Council gross expenditure from 1st May 2019 - 30th May 2019 as follows:

i)	Co-operative Current A/c	£290.38
ii)	Co-operative (Guildhall) A/c	£152.61
iii)	Petty Cash	£0

Chairman Signature:

iv)	Lloyds Current A/c	£17,567.26
v)	Lloyds Direct Savings	£10,000

b) Income

To note Council gross income from 1st April 2019 - 30th April 2019 as follows:

i)	Co-operative Current A/c	£34.20
ii)	Co-operative (Guildhall) A/c	£195
iii)	Petty Cash	£0
iv)	Lloyds Current A/c	£11,571.17
v)	Lloyds Direct Savings	£22.21

a) To review online payment for Approval

To sign and approve the online payments as detailed

19/20.462 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN DELIVERY GROUP

The Chairman reports that Richard Haynes had a meeting with Barbara Light in connection to Article 4, we'd like to take this forward and wishes to seek your approval to this, Richard also met with the New Conservation Officer and is supportive of Article 4. The chairman seeks to ask this councils approval to move this forward and the clerk is instructed to make contact with Uttlesford Planning Department with this council's desires in connection to article 4.

Posters in the town are being left up for a prolonged period of time, an initiative is being discussed to try to quell these. The Highways and Parking area within the NP are discussing the possibilities of reaching out to an expert who may work with us in connection to the findings.

The Development of the Church hall, Cllr Brazier and Frostick now have a date to meet with the trustees, this will be reported back to either the NPDG or this council.

Cllr Brazier comments that he came across an ECC Engineer and they are putting the markings in to put the 40MPH speed signs in along the Samford road. Cllr Spencer states that he's also been informed that they are to be completed in the third quarter of this financial year.

19/20.463 WORKING GROUP REPORTS

To receive an update from the following working groups to include the latest meetings dates, discussion points and considered activities.

I. Library working group

We welcome the latest information; however we do propose that we write to Susan Barker in order to gather the information needed prior to making any firm decisions.

Cllr Frostick states that although they have not removed the option to have the library's closed, they are insinuating that community led approach is still.

II. Community Land Trust working group

Cllr D Morgan went to the workshop yesterday and unfortunately this was poorly attended, largely due to Cllr I Stewart being unavailable. The Chairman and the clerk took the initiative on Tuesday given the audience to set up a site meeting with key members of UDC. Cllr Morgan wishes to reiterate that there would be no right to buy included with in any of the schemes managed by the working body.

III. Prevention of Crime working group

Still no report to make on behalf of the group as we've not yet met, although Cllr Barrington now feels he's gathered enough information from various conferences. UDC have a Cllr named Colin Day and has a new responsibility as a District Cllr for policing. For info. The police are trying to set up Hate incident reporting centres which are not within police premises including a 24-hour charity which you can ring to report Hate Crime.

19/20.464 SAMFORD ROAD S106 TRANSFER

To receive a verbal update from the Chairman in connection to the attenuation tank and who is taking full responsibility in connection to the S38 agreement, our legal team are working on this and there will be a delay until this has been finalised.

19/20.465 FOOTBALL CLUB MEETING

Cllr Brazier details that the football club wish to have new grass and they state the facilities are not adequate, we suggested that should they require better facilities they are within their rights to find alternative accommodation, this in not the Parish Councils financial Burdon and we must take on the view of the entire parish of Thaxted, they failed to understand that they have responsibility to maintain the pavilion and this is their responsivity. Cllr Williams also points out that they are setting their sights very high and the damage done to the front of the building which in my opinion should have been rectified as part of the terms of their agreements.

The chairman and Cllr Brazier suggest that the building be inspected and a report be presented back to the rangers in order to rectify any current and identify any outstanding issues.

19/20.466 PARISH FORUM MEETING

The Chairman updates the Council with a verbal report from the attendees The Chairman, Cllr Morgan, and Cllr Howells on the recent Parish Forum Meeting. Cllr Howells has summarised the meeting and this is attached as (Appendix C)

19/20.467 CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE

(See appendix D)

19/20.468 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Council Meeting will be on Thursday 8TH August 2019 at Thaxted Guildhall at 8pm or following the previous Planning and Highways meeting if so held.