

**MINUTES OF THE THURMASTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 14th
OCTOBER 2014 at 7.45 p.m. IN THE MEM. HALL**

PRESENT:

Councillors: M D Lowe (Chairman) D E Atterbury
S R Brown R E Davies
J Brown J Knaggs
D Maguire K Knaggs
A Patel R Raven
C A Wooding
B J Seaton

APOLOGIES:

S A Coombe P S Newman
P S Harley S O Rose
D Knaggs L Seaton
D J Hill

ALSO PRESENT:

The Clerk and the Deputy Clerk
8 Members of the Public
CPSO Harkerat

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY 14th
OCTOBER AT 7.15PM IN THE LIBRARY**

PRESENT:

Councillors;

M D Lowe (Chairman)
S R Brown B J Seaton
Cllr R Davies R Raven

ALSO PRESENT: The Clerk & Deputy Clerk

- 1. To Receive apologies for Absence:** Cllr D J Hill, Cllr P S Newman
- 2. Disclosures of Interest -** To receive disclosures from Members and Officers and the nature of those interests as specified In respect of items on this agenda.

Councillor Brown declared an interest in any business concerning Miss S Brown

3. Monthly Expenditure Report – Mrs G M Smith

ACCOUNTS: Expenditure: The Deputy Clerk presented cheque no's 110538 - 110558 for invoices and petty cash and direct debits totalling £46,052.84

4. Monthly Income Report - Mrs G M Smith

The Deputy Clerk presented income reports for September.

It was proposed and seconded that the Council accepts the accounts.

Resolved: The motion was carried

5. Bank Account Reconciliation Statements;

The Deputy Clerk agreed to forward copies of the bank Account Reconciliation Statements for August.

Resolved: Councillors considered and approved the reports.

6. Correspondence:

2commune – letter

Proposal for Thurmaston Parish Council - Setup costs (Upgrade) £650 + VAT

- UKLC local council website design and setup, annual licence, hosting, support and training: £250 + VAT
- Project manage and provide advice and assistance on migrating council content from existing site to new site: £250 + VAT
- Proactive post go live support – up to 1 hour per month for the first six months post go live to keep a watchful eye on progress, assist with content authoring and provide advice whilst you are becoming familiar with the new technology: £150+ VAT.

Annual fee (Commencing April 1st 2015) £400 + VAT

- Website hosting, support and annual licence: £400 + VAT

The Clerk explained that the Parish Website is currently part of Leicestershire County Council. There will be no further improvements to the site and this is being run on a maintenance programme only, due to funding cuts.

2commune can provide the same facilities as Leicestershire County Council's website, with the benefit of additional features. They will also add further facilities and functions to the site.

It is believed that as the website is subsidised by LCC this will be phased out of the next two years.

A discussion took place and it was proposed and seconded that the Council accepts the quotation from 2commune.

Resolved: the motion was carried.

Confirmed and signed this day of 2014

Chairman

Chairman Councillor M D Lowe welcomed all to the October meeting of the Council.

1. To Receive Apologies for Absence:

Councillors: S A Coombe, P S Harley, D J Hill, D Knaggs, P S Newman, S O Rose, L Seaton

Resolved: Reasons given for the apologies were accepted by the Council.

2. Disclosures of Interest (in respect of items on this Agenda):

Councillor Lowe declared an interest in any Business concerning Charnwood Borough Council.

Cllr Brenda Seaton declared an interest in any business concerning Charnwood Borough Council.

3. Planning Applications - Councillor M D Lowe

- **P/13/2498/2 Outline permission for 4500 homes and associated facilities and construction of Southern Link Road.**
- **P/14/1670/2 346 Dwellings of Barkby Thorpe Lane – Bellway Homes P/13/1716/6/2 site for erection of 150 dwellings off Barkby Thorpe (Graham Smith/Georgina Doyle, Charnwood Borough Council attendance tbc).**

Councillor Lowe explained that representatives from Charnwood Borough Council, Dept of Planning were unable to attend.

Planning Application P/13/2498/2 Outline permission for 4500 homes and associated facilities and construction of Southern Link Road, will be considered at the meeting of the plans committee on 24th October, and Councillor Lowe suggested that a Parish Councillor should attend to speak on behalf of the Parish Council. Councillor Lowe requested a volunteer, however unfortunately no Councillors were able to attend.

Councillor Seaton suggested that Ms Sue Lewis would be speaking on behalf of Thurmaston Action Group and Councillors supported this suggestion. Sue Lewis will present comments prepared in conjunction with Gerry Bowman and Owen Bentley.

4. Charnwood Core Strategy Examination

- **Invitation to hearings**

My records indicate that you have submitted a representation on the Charnwood Local Plan Core Strategy (hereafter referred to as the Core Strategy).

The examination was suspended following initial hearing sessions held in March 2014 to enable the Council to undertake further work on housing needs in association with the other authorities in Leicestershire. I am writing to inform you that following completion of this work, the examination of the Core Strategy has now resumed and that further hearing sessions have been arranged. These will commence at 9.30am on Tuesday 9th December in the Victoria room at Loughborough Town Hall.

The Inspector has prepared some additional guidance notes, a schedule of matters and issues and a provisional timetable for the hearing sessions (copies issued by email).

Those who made valid representations at the appropriate time seeking a change to the Pre-Submission Draft of the Core Strategy have a right to make their case in person at the hearing sessions. Therefore, I would be grateful if you could confirm by Friday 17th October 2014 if you wish to participate (i.e. speak) at the hearing sessions and if so which session(s). Please bear in mind that the written representations already made have equal weight to those made orally during the hearing sessions.

Should I not hear from you by the above date I will assume that you are content to rely upon your original written representation and that you do not wish to participate at any of the hearing sessions.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sarah Driscoll

Local Plan Programme Officer

Tel 01509 634803

- **Main matters and issue papers, Inspectors Guidance notes, Timetable to hearings - (copies issued to all members via email)**

5. Community Libraries - Scrutiny Review Panel Meeting
• **Response for information**

The Clerk issued a copy of the Council's response prior to the meeting for information which included a summary of comments submitted to date. Councillor Seaton reported that she had responded on behalf of Tony Willmott/Community Centre.

Councillor Raven reported that LRALC had submitted a response.

6. To receive Reports from the Police

The Clerk issued copies of the Police Reports for September to all members of the Council.

CPSO Harkerat explained the contents of the Police report and took questions from Councillors.

CPSO Harkerat reported that he will be working three months of late shifts on patrol as burglaries had taken place between 5pm and 11pm.

7 Questions from Councillors: in accordance with standing order number 27, A Councillor may seek to answer a question concerning any business of the Council provided (7) clear day's notice of the question has been given to the Proper Officer.

8. To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Full Parish Council Pages 69 - 74 Tuesday 9th September 2014. (make corrections amendments) to be signed by the Chairman enc).

It was proposed and seconded that the minutes and resolutions therein be adopted as a true and correct record.

Resolved: the motion was carried.

9. To confirm and sign the minutes of the following Committee Meetings

Page 75 - 79 Minutes of the Meeting Env Comm 23.09.14

It was proposed and seconded that the minutes and resolutions therein be adopted as a true and correct record.

Page 77: Councillor Atterbury reported that the stones are still causing problems on the footpath outside No. 1 Charnwood Avenue.

Resolved: the motion was carried.

Page 80 - 84 Minutes of the Meeting of Leisure Centres Comm. 30.09.14

It was proposed and seconded that the minutes and resolutions therein be adopted as a true and correct record.

Page 83: Surplus Fencing

Councillor Wooding requested that in light of further information about the surplus fencing that this item should be discussed further and that Committees decision should be deferred pending further discussion at the Meeting.

Resolved: Councillors approved the request.

Resolved: the motion was carried.

10. Public Participation - Maximum of 15 Minutes (Meeting adjourned)

Rev. Timothy Day introduced himself as the new Vicar for St Michael and All Angels Church in Thurmaston and East Goscote.

Resident of Highway Road requested that meetings calendars are displayed on all notice boards around the village.

The Clerk agreed to this request.

11. Correspondence

Invitation John Storer – Charnwood

Non Members and Friends of John Storer Charnwood and John Storer House Foundation

JOINT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – WEDNESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER AT 7PM FOR 7.30PM

I am writing to invite you to attend the joint AGM – Please let me know if you would like to receive the agenda and formal papers including accounts etc.

Letter from Nicola Gibson – Charnwood

CONGRATULATIONS!

You have been shortlisted in the Don't Muck Around awards and are invited to the awards evening on Thursday 27th November 2014 sponsored by our waste contractor Serco.

Roundhill Academy – Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Thank you for your continued and ongoing support of our school. I am writing to enquire if Thurmaston Parish Council would be interested in donating

towards our new Duke of Edinburgh's (DofE) Award programme here at The Roundhill Academy. As the school has moved to 11-16 age range we are able for the first time, to offer the DofE to our older students. This is a fantastic opportunity for our students, but with it comes some challenges for the school.

The DofE is widely regarded as an excellent award for young people, one which helps them develop themselves physically, emotionally and academically. Increasingly, colleges, universities and employers are all looking for young people to have extra skills and talents beyond the normal academic qualifications. We would love to be able to offer our students the chance to achieve one of the most prestigious, non-academic awards for young people.

Whilst we have the knowledge base and enthusiasm amongst the staff, and the appetite from the students, we do not have the capital required to set up all the specialist equipment we would require to run the expedition part of the Award, and it is for this that I am requesting financial assistance.

You have always been a very generous and loyal supporter of The Roundhill Academy over the years and I was hoping that this tradition could develop further. To set up a store of good-quality expedition will cost the school in excess of £5,000. This would be a one-off cost to help start up the DofE. We would like to offer the DofE to as many young people as possible and would like to start with a group of around 30, but this requires numerous tents, cooking stoves rucksacks, fuel bottles, compasses, maps etc. If you feel you could contribute towards the costs involved we would be happy to recognise your contribution to parents and students when promoting the DofE within school. The School Governors have kindly committed to match an equal amount of funding to every donation received from their own fund, so any contribution you could make would be greatly appreciated.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with me directly to discuss any matter if you feel you can support our plans in any way.

A discussion took place and it was proposed and seconded that the Council donate £100.00.

Resolved: The motion was carried

Thank-you letter – Tony Willmott

To Tracey, Parish Council and all staff

Thank you all for the lovely basket of flowers and your best wishes for a speedy recovery.

MINUTES OF THE EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL ON TUESDAY 21ST OCTOBER AT 6.30PM IN THE MEMORIAL HALL

PRESENT:

Councillors: M D Lowe (Chairman) D E Atterbury
S R Brown
J Brown D Maguire
A Patel R Raven
C A Wooding P S Harley
D J Hill

APOLOGIES: J Knaggs D Knaggs
K Knaggs L Seaton
B J Seaton S Coombe

ALSO PRESENT: The Clerk and the Deputy Clerk
4 members of the public

1. To Receive apologies for Absence

Councillors: K Knaggs, D Knaggs, J Knaggs, B J Seaton, L Seaton, S Coombe

Resolved: Reasons given for apologies were accepted by the Council.

2. Disclosures of Interest - To receive disclosures from Members and Officers and the nature of those interests as specified in respect of items on this agenda.

Councillor Lowe and Councillor Raven declared an interest in item 3.

3. Appointment of Solicitor to speak at the Charnwood Borough Council Plans Committee Meeting on Friday 24th October 2014 at Loughborough Town Hall

Councillor Lowe welcomed Mr Tony Aspbury of Antony Aspbury Associates.

Mr Aspbury explained that he had been in private practice for over 30 years, and that he currently does not have any contracts associated with Charnwood. He stated that he would act independently for Thurmaston Parish Council. Mr Aspbury gave his opinions of the Core and stated that a five minute slot was available for Mr Aspbury to speak on behalf of the Parish Council, if Councillors wished him to do so.

Quotation for consideration - £150.00

Councillor Hill proposed that we accept the quotation. This was seconded by Councillor Harley and agreed.

Councillor Lowe and Councillor Raven abstained from the vote.

Resolved: The motion was carried

Confirmed and signed this day of 2014

Chairman

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MEMORIAL HALL AND CEMETERY COMM
HELD ON TUESDAY 21st OCTOBER 2014 IN THE MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY**

Present: Councillors: R Davies (Chairman)
M D Lowe S Brown
J Brown P Harley
D Atterbury

Also Present: The Clerk & the Deputy Clerk

Apologies: L Seaton

1. To receive and accept apologies for absence

The apologies were accepted.

2. Disclosures of Interest - To receive disclosures and nature of those interests as specified in respect of items on this agenda.

3. Cemetery – Bonfires on Field – Complaints

The Clerk reported that she has received two complaints from residents of Beverley Close about the Council burning debris on the Cemetery Extension field. The Clerk explained that the Ground staff have disposed of branches hedge cutting etc. by burning them following pruning.

Following a discussion Councillors agreed to write to residents apologising and stating that future bonfires would only occur on authorised days, this to be agreed with Groundsman.

Resolved: The motion was carried

4. Benches – Memorial Hall Field – Vandalism

The Clerk reported that the picnic tables had been refurbished following fire damage last year. However unfortunately further damage has occurred over the summer again, possibly caused by portable BBQs on the tables.

It was agreed to speak to the Groundsman regarding alternative options.

Resolved: The motion was carried

5. Un-authorised Memorabilia on Graves

The Clerk reported that a majority of memorabilia placed on the grass in breach of regulations has now been removed following receipt of letters and notices. However, a few items still remain in place.

Councillors agreed that a letter would be placed on the offending graves stating that any unauthorised items will now be removed and stored for a period of time. Letter to state date of removal and final collection date from Thurmaston Parish Council.

Resolved: The motion was carried

6. Precept 2015/2016

The Deputy Clerk presented the draft budget for consideration. A draft copy of the Precept was circulated to Councillors and discussed.

- **Headstone Repairs**

The Clerk reported that there are 61 headstones remaining staked and banded where relatives are deceased/untraceable.

The Clerk reported that she has contacted the stonemason (Demontfort Memorials) and the average cost of the repairs is approx. £170 per headstone.

Councillors had previously agreed to review this matter again during the setting of the precept for next year.

Five or six year plan for Cemetery
Picnic benches
Re-pointing of chapel
Hall floor?

A six year plan of 10,000 each year was agreed for the cemetery. Project funding available to be agreed at the next meeting.

It was agreed to obtain a quotation for the repairs of Headstones and repointing of the Chapel.

Resolved: The motion was carried

7. Cemetery Extension - update

Phase one of the Cemetery Extension scheme is now completed.

It was agreed to progress to phase 2 and 3 subject to funding.

Memory Tree Location

The Clerk reported is now in situ close to the Chapel. Nine orders have been placed to date. The purchase price is £35 including an inscription of up to 70 letters.

- 8. Potential Projects for future 106 funding Provision**
Councillors were asked to forward any suggestion to the Clerk
- 9. Correspondence** None
- 10. Health and Safety** – No issues raised.
- 11. Reports and Requests for Next Agenda** None.
- 12. Date of Next Meeting** - Tuesday 18th November 2014

Confirmed and signed this day of 2014

Chairman

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY
28TH OCTOBER 2014 AT 7.00PM IN THE MEETING ROOM ELIZABETH PARK CENTRE**

PRESENT:

Councillors: B J Seaton (Chairman)
S R Brown M D Lowe
C Wooding K Knaggs
D Atterbury J Knaggs
R Raven D J Hill

ALSO PRESENT: The Clerk and the Deputy Clerk

1. To receive apologies for Absence

Councillors:

2. Disclosures of Interest - To receive disclosures and nature of those interests as specified in respect of items on this agenda.

Councillor Lowe declared an interest in Planning Applications being a member of CBC Plans Committee.

Councillor Seaton declared an interest in Planning Applications being a member of CBC Plans Committee.

3. Precept 2015/2016

The Deputy Clerk presented the draft budget for consideration. A draft copy of the Precept was circulated to Councillors and discussed.

It was proposed and seconded that the Precept is approved for recommendation to the Full Parish Council.

Resolved: the motion was carried

4. Library Update

The Council submitted a summary of comments for consideration of the Scrutiny Review Panel at the meeting on 15th October. Awaiting feedback. Councillor Knaggs to forward comments received by email to the Clerk.

5. Planning Applications

APPLICATION P/14/1830/2
PROPOSAL: Erection of 3m high sound proofed

boundary fencing
LOCATION: Donaldson Filtration (GB) LTD,
Humberstone Lane, Thurmaston,
Leicestershire, LE4 8HP

Resolved: No Comment.

APPLICATION NO

**P/14/1873/2 Site for residential
development**
LOCATION: 170 Colby Drive, Thurmaston,
Leicestershire, LE4 8LB

it was proposed and seconded that the Council objects to this application as Councillors consider that the access to the proposed development is too narrow.

Resolved: the motion was carried.

APPLICATION NO: P/14/1690/2

PROPOSAL:

Change of use to restaurant and hot food takeaway (Class A3), opening times Monday to Saturday 08.00 to 23.59 and Sunday 11.00 to 23.00, with flue to rear of building.

LOCATION:

735 Melton Road, Thurmaston, Leicestershire, LE4 8ED

It was proposed and seconded that the council submits comments on this application as follows:

- Parking in this area is insufficient and already congested.
- Councillors are concerned about cooking odours emanating from the extraction flue potentially entering neighbouring properties: and would requested that consideration is given to the incorporation of a filtration system.

Resolved: the motion was carried.

APPLICATION NO: P/14/1929/2

PROPOSAL:

Erection of three dwellings. (Revised scheme P/14/1121/2 refers)

LOCATION:

103 Humberstone Lane, Thurmaston, Leicestershire, LE4 8HL

Resolved: No Comment

APPLICATION NO: P/14/1955/2

PROPOSAL:

Erection of extension to side of dwelling

LOCATION:

42 Price Way, Thurmaston, Leicestershire, LE4 8BG

Resolved: No comment

APPLICATION NO:

P/14/1747/2

PROPOSAL:

Erection of replacement dwelling. (Revised scheme - P/14/1067/2 refers)

LOCATION:

73 Humberstone Lane, Thurmaston, Leicestershire,

It was proposed and seconded that the Council objects to this application as follows:

- The proposed development will more than double the size of the original property and will significantly over dominate the bungalow next door and other neighbouring properties in the area.

Resolved: the motion was carried.

P/13/2498/2 4500 Houses – Update

P/13/2498/2 Outline permission for the mixed use residential led development to be developed in phases including 4500 Residential Units, employment Land, two local centre, one district centre, school facilities, and health care, reserve site for gypsies and travellers, open space, allotments, green space.

Construction of the Southern Link Road connecting to Sandhills Avenue

The Clerk reported that the application was due to be considered at a meeting of Charnwood Borough Council Plans Committee on Friday 24th October, however the item was cancelled due to the receipt of further information which was issued to Councillors concerned too late for consideration prior to the meeting.

The meeting will be reconvened as soon as possible.

Councillor Lowe reported that the meeting will be reconvened for 6th November.

It was proposed and seconded that Mr. Mr Tony Aspbury of Antony Aspbury Associates is invited to represent the Parish as per the original meeting.

Resolved: the motion was carried.

6 Highway Maintenance Issues

The following issues have been reported and acknowledged since the last meeting of the committee:

- Overgrown vegetation footpath Garden Street – Hadrian Road – acknowledged
- Pot hole in footpath on Churchill Road– acknowledged
- HGV sign damaged junction of Silverdale Drive Damaged barrier a607 - acknowledged
- Broken bus shelter Melton Road – acknowledged

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LEISURE CENTRES/PARKS COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY 4th NOVEMBER 7PM AT ELIZABETH PARK SPORTS CENTRE

Present: **Councillors:** D J Hill (Chairman)
C A Wooding B Seaton
S R Brown D Maguire
O Newman A Patel
M Lowe J Knaggs
S O Rose

Also Present: The Clerk, Deputy Clerk

1. To receive and accept Apologies for Absence

Cllrs. P S Harley, R Raven, S Coombe, D J Knaggs, K Knaggs. Mr R Potts

2. Disclosures of Interest – To receive disclosures and the nature of those interests as specified in respect of items on this agenda.

Councillor Wooding expressed an interest any business concerning Silverdale Park.

3. Utilitywise – Energy Solution Plan:

An Energy Solution Plan prepared following an initial Survey conducted by Utilitywise was issued to all Councillors prior to the meeting for consideration. The short survey report is an initial stage highlighting areas where energy costs could be reduced. If the committee wish to explore options further a meeting will need to be arranged for representatives of the committee with Utilitywise.

Councillor Lowe presented information about solar panels and renewable energy provided by 'Absolute'. Councillor Lowe explained that the system provides free power and revenue from the sale of electricity back to the grid.

It was proposed and seconded that a representative from Absolute is invited to the next meeting of the committee to discuss options for Elizabeth Park Centre.

Resolved: the motion was carried.

4. Future Projects 106 Funding:

• **Entrance to Silverdale Park:**

At the last meeting of committee the Clerk presented a copy of the application form for 106 funding for the Entrance, however, an objection to the proposals from the Police and residents of Offranville Flats as follows:

“Some residents from the Offranville CI flats raised concerns of possibility of access route to be opened from ‘new estate’ off Silverdale Dr (Alpine Dr) onto Silverdale Park.

As residents already have issues from residents of the ‘new estate’ using the offranville CI car park as a social gathering place, they don’t want an access from the new estate onto the park as problems would be on regular basis. As far as I am aware when the estate was to be built you / parish council did ask me / beat team of possible access from new estate to the park, but we refused on basis of likely of residents’ complaints RE: youths / persons gathering near entrance and causing disturbance, and further ASB increase around the estate and the park. And with the current access, residents from the new estate do not have far to walk to access the park.

Additionally, the Clerk reported that previous correspondence from a Planning Officer has stated that West Leigh homes (the developer) has erected a wooden fence and has stopped the path short of the boundary. The Planning officer concerned had previously stated that he would write and request that this work be carried out upto the boundary to try and ensure that there is a marrying between the two sites and suggested it would be useful to discuss this with Westleigh Developments to ensure that there is a smooth transition between the two sites. However, the Planning officer has now asked the Clerk to contact the developer directly.

Councillors were of the opinion that the Clerk should not liaise with the Developer directly and that this is the responsibility of the Borough Council. It was proposed and seconded that the Council should proceed with the entrance project. Clerk to submit application for 106 funding for this project as agreed previously.

Resolved: the motion was carried.

Other projects suggested to date include:

- Additional seating Silverdale Park -
- New Flood Lights Elizabeth Park
- New Car Park Extension Elizabeth Park
- Outdoor gym equipment suitable for older residents.

5. Fencing Silverdale Park - referred from Parish Council meeting

At the last meeting of the committee, Councillor Wooding enquired about the surplus fencing from the Cemetery project and whether this could be incorporated in the improvements to Silverdale Park.

Councillors suggested it would be expensive to renovate and relocate the fencing and suggested that the installation of a fence in front of the hedges would create a void. Councillors recognised resident's concerns and agreed to monitor the area. It was agreed that the existing hedge is laid as soon as possible. The area will be monitored and any issues reported.

However at the last meeting of the Council, it was agreed that in light of further information about the surplus fencing that this item should be discussed further and that committees decision should be deferred pending further discussion at the meeting.

In his capacity as a resident of Ivydale Road, Councillor Wooding reported that children are climbing over residents fences and gaining access to their gardens and also to the railway embankment.

Councillor Wooding was of the opinion that all playgrounds should be enclosed with fencing and there is existing legislation which confirms that this is a legal requirement.

A discussion took place and it was proposed and seconded that the Clerk investigates the legal requirements and that this is an agenda item for the next meeting of the committee.

Resolved: the motion was carried.
Councillor Wooding abstained from the vote

6. Winter Hedge Lay - disposal of hedge cuttings – The Clerk

The Clerk reported that the Groundsman has requested permission to burn the hedge cuttings on Silverdale Park if the hedge is to be laid as previously suggested. The Park could be closed during this process.

A discussion took place with councillors expressing views both for and against the laying of the hedge and the burning of the debris. It was proposed and seconded that the hedge is laid and Groundsman is permitted to burn the hedge debris on site. The park should be closed to the public for the duration of this work and a letter to be issued to residents of Offranville and Ivydale whose properties border the park.

Resolved: a vote took place and with 6 councillors voting in favour of the proposal and two against. The motion was carried.

Councillor Wooding abstained from the vote.

7. Projects Update

The Clerk reported that sports hall heaters are now in place and that the new cellar cooler will be fitted tomorrow.

8. Park Issues None.

9. Precept 2015/2016

The Deputy Clerk issued copies of the draft Precept for consideration prior to the meeting.

Discounted Hire Rates:

The Deputy Clerk reminded Councillors that discount is due to end at the end of this financial year and the total discounts accumulated is £3000 representing a 33% discount for the Bowls | Club, Boxing Club and Thurmaston Magpies Junior FC.

It was proposed and seconded that a further 15% discount if offered for one further year.

Resolved: the motion was carried.

Potential Projects:

At the last meeting of the committee it was agreed to obtain a quote for the creation of a Grounds Staff Office converting the current storage cupboard and that a storage container in an enclosed compound should be installed for alternative storage of the equipment.

The Clerk has contacted Callis Construction, Allsop Plumbers and Morton Electrical re quotations for the conversion work, quotes currently outstanding. Additionally a quote will be required for a storage container/building for the machinery and the Groundsman has suggested that some of the surplus fencing from the cemetery could be used to create a compound for the storage container.

It was felt that the following were maintenance issues and quotations should be obtained for consideration:-

- Changing room tiling (estimate £6,060.00 (based on previous estimate)
- Extinguishers (included)
- new boiler – awaiting quotation

Resolved: precept to be considered next month pending availability of estimates for projects.

10. Correspondence

Macmillan Cancer Support:
Letter of thanks for coffee morning which raised £404.01.

11. Health and Safety No

Councillor Wooding presented the following concern from a resident of Ivydale Road:

I am contacting you on behalf of my mother-in-law Mrs Joyce Ryan who lives at 10 Ivydale Road, Thurmaston. The house that Joyce lives in backs onto a path (accessed from Silverdale Road) that leads to a small park next to the train lines. On this path, behind Joyce's garden wall there is a rose bush that is becoming overgrown and has exceeded the height of Joyce's wall and falls over the wall into her garden, entangling itself in the plants and flowers in her garden. As well as making it very unsightly in the garden it is also a hazard for anyone walking on the path to get to the park and could get pricked by the rose thorns.

Would you please arrange for someone to trim down/prune the rose bush that is on the path so that it does not encroach onto Joyce's garden.

The Clerk confirmed that she has instructed the Groundsman to attend to this matter.

12. Reports and Requests for Agenda Items

Councillor B J Seaton requested an Agenda Item for the next meeting of the Committee: Outdoor Gym equipment.

Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 2nd December

Confirmed and signed this

day of

2014

Chairman