

Thelbridge Parish Council

Minutes

March 11th, 2020

19:30

Venue: Thelbridge Parish Hall

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Present: Cllrs Boundy, Cowell, Grant, Hayes, Cllr Squires (DCC & MDDC)

Apologies: Cllrs Gillbard, Gibson, Wainwright

- I. Approval of minutes from last meeting
The minutes for 11th December 2019 were approved and signed.
- II. Public forum
No members of the public were present.
- III. Declarations of interest
There were none.
- IV. Report from Cllr Squires
The boundary commission [draft recommendations](#) will move Thelbridge from the Sandford and Creedy ward into Way so Nomansland will no longer be split between two wards. The public consultation last until 13th April, with the final report expected June 2020. This will take effect from the next district elections in 2023. County budgets have increased for children's and adults services. The impact of the budget announcement regarding loss of business rate income has yet to be understood.
- V. Clerk's Report

The Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service proposed changes were discussed at the last meeting. The consultation closed on 22nd September. During the 12-week consultation, the Service received about 3,300 completed surveys, 700 written submissions, and five petitions. The [recommendations](#) were considered and approved at the Fire Authority meeting on the 10 January. As agreed, an email was sent to the Town Mayor of Lynton and Lynmouth expressing support for their opposition to the changes.

The revised code of conduct has been published on the website.

The precept request was sent based on the amount agreed on 11th December 2019.

The Salvation Army had contacted MDDC asking for potential new locations of clothes banks. **Resolved** to reply since the parish has no village and a small population so would not merit a clothes bank,

VI. Draft Annual Newsletter

Approved subject to amending the typo on back page and adding the phone no etc. for highways fault reports.

VII. Finance

- a) The most recent bank statements and budget monitoring report was reviewed.
- b) The following payments were **approved** printing and postage expenses £16.60, footpath fingerpost £108 and HMRC £27.40. The revised standing order for the Clerk's salary was signed.
- c) It was **resolved** not to become members of Devon Communities Together (£24)

VIII. Planning

[Prior notification for the change of use of an agricultural building to 1 dwelling under Class Q](#)

Land and Buildings at NGR 279641 111510 (Marchweeke Farm) Witheridge Devon

It was unanimously **resolved** to take a neutral stance on this application.

IX. Items for Future Agenda

The meeting closed at 20:15

Signed W. K. Boundy.....(Chairman) Date 8th June 2020