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Thurston Parish Council Meeting Summons

The Parish Councillors of THURSTON PARISH COUNCIL are summoned to attend a Council Meeting on Wednesday 5 August 2026 commencing at 7.00pm in **THE COMMUNITY LIBRARY, NORTON ROAD, THURSTON, IP31 3SD.**

Meetings and the public

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend any of the Council's Full Council or Committee meetings and listen to the debate. The meeting is held in accessible premises. [All agendas, reports, minutes and background papers in relation to this meeting can be viewed on the parish council's website](#)

The agenda may be split into two parts. Most of the business will be dealt with in Part I which is open to the public. Part II (if applicable) includes items which may be discussed in the absence of the press or public, as they deal with information which is personal or sensitive for some other reason. The press and public will be asked to leave the meeting before Part II items are discussed.

Recording at meetings

Members of the Council, the public and press may record/film/photograph or broadcast this meeting when the public and press are not lawfully excluded. Those attending shall be informed that the meeting may be reported on (including recording, photographing and filming).

Agenda

Item	Detail	Time
1.	Opening including Statement	7.00
2.	Apologies a) Council to receive apologies for absence b) Council to consent to accept apologies received	7.02
3.	Declarations of interests: a) To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests, other registerable interests and non-registerable interests as detailed in Appendix B of the LGA Model Code of Conduct for the Agenda under discussion b) To receive notification of gifts of hospitality exceeding £50 c) To note the determination of requests for dispensations in accordance with Council's Dispensation Policy	7.05
4.	Minutes of previous meetings: a) To receive and consider the minutes of the following meeting (all as previously circulated): 1 July 2026	7.07
5.	Reports for information – to receive the following reports as submitted by: a) County Councillor, Matt Bentley b) District Councillors, David Bradbury and Harry Richardson	7.25

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6.	Police Matters a) To receive a report from PCSO Matt Brown from Stowmarket Community Policing Team (CPT) on crimes relating to Thurston for the month of June 2026 b) To consider matters for referral to Stowmarket CPT	7.30
7.	Public Forum – at the direction of the Chair, matters will either be responded to or deferred for further discussion and/or debate a) To receive comments from members of the public on the agenda submitted b) To receive comments from members of the public on matters relating to Thurston	7.35
8.	Statutory Business a) To receive and consider nominations from two candidates for co-option to the Parish Council to fill one casual council vacancy b) To approve Cllr Howard joining the Open Space & Leisure Committee c) To receive the Practitioner’s Guide and Good Councillor’s Guide to Finance to further Councillors’ knowledge of governance and decision making responsibly	7.50
9.	Removal of addresses from members’ register of interests a) To receive the report on changes to the publication of members’ home addresses in the register of interests	8.00
10.	To receive reports from the following Committee (s): a) Planning and Infrastructure committee meeting - draft minutes and report from the meeting of 29 July 2026 b) Policy and Resources committee meeting – draft minutes and report from the meeting of 29 July 2026	8.10
11.	To consider matters relating to planning: a) To consider a response to the re-consultation of DC/26/01628 - Full Planning Application - Land East of Woodlands, Barrells Road, Thurston - Erection of 15 Retirement bungalows	8.20
12.	Community matters a) To note an update on the Thurston Biodiversity Day b) To receive and resolve the application from Bloomfield Amusements to operate a travelling funfair on Thurston New Green public space during the August Bank Holiday period c) To resolve to retrospectively approve the calling of a community event planning meeting d) To consider investigating joining Suffolk County Council’s Lorry Watch Scheme e) To receive an update regarding the Thurston Recycling Facility and discuss future of the fenced area f) To note that the new editorial and advertising policies have been approved by the Policies and Resources Committee	8.30

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13.	To consider matters relating to Finance: a) To approve the accounts awaiting payment including those coming forth (Paper 1 – 05.08.26) b) To note the accounts paid since the last meeting (Paper 2 – 05.08.26) c) To note receipts allocated since the last meeting (Paper 3 – 05.08.26) d) To receive the bank reconciliation for the period ending 30th June 2026 (Paper 4 – 05.08.26) e) To receive the statement of accounts for the period ending 31 July 2026 (Paper 5 – 05.08.26) f) To note the CIL report for July 2026 including nominal sums for potential CIL expenditure for the coming year and receipts received (Paper 6 – 05.08.26) g) To receive the first quarter budget monitoring paper for the period ending 30 June 2026 (Paper 7 – 05.08.26) h) To note commentary on the final accounts for the year ending 31 March 2026 (Paper 8 – 05.08.26) i) To receive a financial update on the costs relating to the Biodiversity Event Day (Confidential Paper) j) To consider and approve the recommendation to install a system of integration door entry access to include fob access and keypad to manage who can enter the office and a CCTV surveillance camera in the rear corridor for out of hours surveillance on an out-of-sight zone	8.50
14.	Councillor Reports: a) To report village matters of concern to the Clerk b) To receive items for information only from parish council appointed representatives on outside bodies / groups c) To receive reports from councillors on meetings and training events attended d) Councillor to review the training bulletins as circulated and to advise the Clerk of items of interest	9.15
15.	Clerk's Report – to receive and consider information from the Clerk and Deputy Clerk and in particular: a) To receive the reports of items actioned under delegated powers b) To receive items of correspondence for noting only and in particular: • Mid Suffolk Town and Parish Council Briefing Notes for June 2026	9.25
16.	Parish Liaison Meetings - a) To receive the notes from the following parish liaison meetings: Vistry Homes – 2 July 2026 b) To confirm the dates of the next parish liaison meetings: Vistry Homes – 6 August 2026	9.30
17.	Infrastructure Highway Matters: For details of future road closures visit: One.Network road closures website	9.35
18.	Date of next meeting (s) a) Planning and Infrastructure, Wednesday 19 August, 7pm, Thurston Community Library b) Full Parish Council, Wednesday 2 September, 7pm, Thurston Community Library	9.40
19.	Close of the meeting	9.45
	Laura Border Clerk & Proper Officer to the Parish Council 30 July 2026	