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Welcome to all our readers

Thruxton Parish Newsletter - June 2023

Hello again – how the time flies! It only seems like yesterday that I was writing the introduction to the May newsletter and here we are again....

There are 2 main items to cover off this month. Almost inevitably the first relates to planning matters. Thank you to everyone who has taken the time and effort to register their reactions to the planning application to build 14 houses on land off Stanbury Close. As you may be aware, TVBC have asked the developer to provide further details relating to the "layout and scale" of the proposed development - they (TVBC) agreed with our submission that the application could not be fully considered without this additional information. The developer provided has now the additional information and we have another 21 days to add our comments on this additional information - the deadline is 7th July. If you have the opportunity, please read and comment on this extra information about their plans and how you feel about the impact it could have on our community. Also on the planning agenda is an application to change the use of a barn on Thruxton Down. Again, this has caused a great deal of concern, especially for residents of Thruxton Down, who are concerned about the fact that the site is already being used for more than simply agricultural use and the danger that commercial vehicle lorries and movements are creating where the road goes under the A303. Please make your views known by commenting on this application (23/00957/FULLN).

Our second key item concerns the need for volunteers. We have vacancies for more Councillors on the Parish Council but if you don't have the time – or, heaven forbid, the interest! – to become a Councillor, you could still help the

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| | Every Wednesday | Thruxton Loves Cake 10–12, Memorial Hall |
| | 17 th /18 th June | Historic Car Meeting Thruxton Circuit |
| | 28 th June | Gardening Club 7pm, Memorial Hall |
| , | 7 th July | Andover Ladies Choir Concert The Lights, Andover |
| | 8 th /9 th July | Truck Race Meeting Thruxton Circuit |
| | 23 rd July | Open Gardens |

community by volunteering to assist with various tasks. We are always on the lookout for people to help with one-off jobs such as helping to repair and maintain the noticeboards, keep the Village Green looking tidy, cutting and tidying small pieces of land owned by the Parish Council (by the letterbox, at the west end of the village) or delivering the newsletter. If you feel you can offer a couple of hours of your time, please contact Heather Bourner at clerk@thruxtonparishcouncil.com

To finish, there are a couple of items for your information. We hope that the resurfacing of St. John's Lane will now go ahead in the week of 3rd July – subject to the weather remaining decent. With groundwater levels finally dropping, Southern Water will be re-starting their sewer re-lining work, beginning in Fyfield but then coming into Thruxton Village. They will be re-lining the laterals (pipes from your house to the main sewer) as well as the main sewer itself. When the main sewer re-lining takes place there will be road closures along Village Street – we hope to give you as much warning as possible ahead of this disruption.

Finally, we still plan to run a first aid training course in the Memorial Hall during the summer. We would like 15 people but only have 10 signed up at the moment; if anyone is interested in becoming trained in first aid and in the use of the defibrillator, please contact Heather Bourner (see above) or myself - Peter.

That's it for June – enjoy the month and keep well.

Peter Christie – Chair, Thruxton Parish Council.

> If there is anything happening in the village that you want to shout about please send your piece to thruxtontimes@gmail.com

Thruxton Parish Council Meeting

The new Parish Council met in the Memorial Hall for the first time on Monday 5th June – our new meeting date is the first Monday of the month except January and August. As usual, detailed and complete minutes will be posted on the Thruxton Village website and noticeboards in due course, but the key items discussed were as follows:

• We co-opted Suzie Cotterill to be a Councillor. Suzie, who lives in Lambourne Way, is a Barrister in family law and has lived in Thruxton for over 5 years. She looks forward to being able to share her knowledge, expertise and time for the benefit of our community. Welcome to the Council!

After many months of planning and obtaining permissions, we have now ordered the speed warning signs and hope they will be delivered later this month. A team of volunteers has been assembled and they will take responsibility for setting up the signs and monitoring the data. We look forward to building our evidence of behaviour through the driver's village......you have been warned!

• Cllr. Odling presented his report on the checks made to play equipment at the Sports Field, this month supplemented by the annual RoSPA

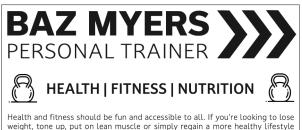
report. He told the meeting that the equipment is safe and can continue to be used but that some relatively minor work needs to be done on some equipment. The main requirement is for new matting around the pieces of equipment and this has been delivered and will be fitted in the coming weeks.

• Councillors congratulated our local Borough Councillor, Phil Lashbrook, on his appointment as Mayor of Test Valley. In turn, Cllr. Lashbrook reported that TVBC are aggressively pursuing fly tippers and recently prosecuted a person who had sub-contracted people to dispose of some rubbish which was then fly-tipped. The fine was £400. In response to a question, Cllr. Lashbrook confirmed TVBC's plans to expand the waste collection from homes to include more materials including glass and plastics. It is hoped this service will be introduced later this year.

• There was a comprehensive discussion around planning applications for a change of use of a barn at Thruxton Down and for building 14 houses on land off Stanbury Road (see introduction). Otherwise, matters are relatively quiet on the planning front.

• Community thanks were recorded for Jason Bailey (for his work in tidying and maintaining the verge on Stanbury Road and grass near the bus-stop on Stanbury Road) and Katrina Vessey for taking responsibility for maintaining the planter near the bus-stop.

• The next meeting will be held on Monday 3rd July in the Memorial Hall at 7:30pm.



Health and fitness should be fun and accessible to all. If you're looking to lose weight, tone up, put on lean muscle or simply regain a more healthy lifestyle balance, then I can help. Working at yours, in the park or at the gym, I can provide a service that is bespoke and convenient for you.

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