

# Thruxton Times

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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 has now provided the additional information and we have another 21 days to add our comments on this additional information – the deadline is 7<sup>th</sup> 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 lorries and commercial vehicle 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

### Dates for the Diary

Every Wednesday	Thruxton Loves Cake 10–12, Memorial Hall
17 <sup>th</sup> /18 <sup>th</sup> June	Historic Car Meeting Thruxton Circuit
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Gardening Club 7pm, Memorial Hall
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Andover Ladies Choir Concert The Lights, Andover
8 <sup>th</sup> /9 <sup>th</sup> July	Truck Race Meeting Thruxton Circuit
23 <sup>rd</sup> 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 re-surfacing 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 [thruxfontimes@gmail.com](mailto:thruxfontimes@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 driver's behaviour through the 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.

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# Thruxton Open Gardens

Sunday July 23rd. 2 till 5pm  
A fund raising event for Thruxton  
Memorial Hall and Thruxton Gardening  
Club.

Simply pay your entry fee (£6) and  
collect a map from The Memorial Hall.

Visit as many or as few gardens as you  
like.

The Hall will be open with access to the  
toilets and

## Refreshments!

And a

## Plant Stall.



### Thruxton Gardening Club

A date for your diaries -  
7.30pm, Thruxton Memorial  
Hall, Wednesday June 28th,

'Chelsea Secrets - Behind the Scenes at  
Chelsea'. Philippa Bensley will be giving  
us a special sneak look to see what goes  
on behind the scenes at the RHS Chelsea  
Flower Show. Everyone is welcome to  
come along for what promises to be a  
very interesting talk.

For further information about this and  
Gardening Club please contact Louise on  
07944746849 or email at  
louise.cushine@hotmail.co.uk



### From Thruxton Memorial Hall

Our film for June is Empire of Light,  
with Olivia Coleman. Do come along,  
don't forget we have a bar and ice  
creams to make the evening even  
more enjoyable.

The Hall Trustees and Gardening Club  
would like to invite you to the first  
Thruxton Open Gardens day on the  
23rd July, just buy a map at the Hall  
and then wander to as many or as  
few as you would like. Small and  
large, wild and manicured, new and  
established, we will have a good  
mix. Treat yourself to Tea and coffee  
at the Hall while you look at the plant  
stall. It's all about talking to others  
about gardens and plants!

We have plans in hand for another  
Quiz Night later in the year. There will  
be information about Thruxton  
Produce Show on 20th August in the  
July edition of the Thruxton Times so  
that you can plan your entries. Please  
put the date in your diary.

If you have a party coming up please  
do consider the Hall. It really is a  
very beautiful, versatile space.

Gill Odling, Chair of Trustees  
07789145817 or email  
bookings@Thruxtonmemorialhall.com

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## Save The Date

### Thruxton Village Produce Show

### Sunday 20th August

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SUMMER**



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LADIES  
CHOIR**

**JULY 7TH, 2023 AT 7:30PM**

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**01264 368368**

**ADULT £12 CHILD £8**



**Thruxton Loves  
Cake!**

■ This is a coffee morning for the village  
■ and surrounding areas held in Thruxton  
■ Memorial Hall.

■ Every Wednesday morning 10 until 12.

■ Come along and enjoy a warm welcome,  
■ lots of tea, coffee,  
■ cakes and chat! We  
■ also have books and  
■ puzzles available to  
■ borrow.




**Thruxton Memorial Hall**

**We are proud to present Empire of  
Light**

**Friday 30 June**

**Doors open 7pm for a 7.30pm showing**

Set in an English coastal town in the early  
1980s, the film is about the power of human  
connection during turbulent times.


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