



Thurcroft Parish Council

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Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Facilities & Events Committee held on Thursday 13th February 2025

Present Councillors: C. McCartan (Chair), H. Bell, V. Burford, D. Brown (4 councillors present)

Apologies were received from Councillor: T. Murphy, B. Clark

Proper Officer: Sarah Wilkinson (Clerk and RFO)

There were no members of the public in attendance.

The meeting started at 6.30pm.

FE/2025/001 To receive and approve reasons for absence

Resolved:- That councillors reasons for absence received from T. Murphy and B. Clark were noted.

FE/2025/002 To receive declarations of personal and pecuniary interest for members and officers

No declarations of interest were received.

FE/2025/003 To receive and approve the minutes of the Facilities & Events Committee meeting held on Thursday 13th October 2024

Resolved:- That the minutes of the Facilities and Events Committee held on Thursday 13th October 2024 be approved by a true and accurate record of the meeting and the chairman to certify the minutes with a signature at the bottom of each page.

Voting:- 4 councillors present. All councillors voted in favour.

FE/2025/004 To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)

There were no written requests for dispensations.

FE/2025/005 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

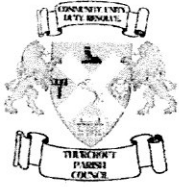
No requests for dispensation need to be granted.

FE/2025/006 To identify any agenda items which may be considered following the exclusion of the press and public, due to the confidential nature to be discussed. Under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, S1 (2)

That no items were considered for exclusion of the press and public.

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FE/2025/007 Public Participation Session

No members of public in attendance.

FE/2025/008 Gordon Bennett Memorial Hall

FE/2025/009 To consider the consultation responses for the Gordon Bennett Memorial Hall remodel

Resolved:- Responses have raised better toilets and baby changing facilities as the major change requested, followed by lighter decorations, possibly a shutter for the kitchen, air conditioning and heating through the same system removing the need for radiators, LED lighting and having the same floor throughout for easy cleaning.

Voting:- 4 councillors present. All councillors voted in favour.

FE/2025/010 To discuss appointing an architect for the Gordon Bennett Memorial Hall remodel

A local architect that specializes in being green has offered to give guidance on the remodel, and what can be done.

Resolved:- That a meeting be set with the architect and members of the council to discuss options for the remodel.

Voting:- 4 councillors present. All councillors voted in favour.

FE/2025/010 To discuss resurfacing the carpark

It was discussed that although the whole carpark needs resurfacing, this would be actioned after the remodel was complete to avoid it being damaged. There are however some big potholes that need attention right away to prevent an accident happening.

Resolved:- That the Clerk obtains quotes to repair the carpark in the short term, before it gets completely resurfaced.

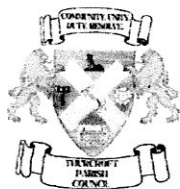
Voting:- 4 councillors present. All councillors voted in favour.

FE/2025/011 Recreation Fields

FE/2025/012 To discuss and consider the transfer of land from RMBC

The Committee discussed a proposal to transfer a parcel of land at the back to Thurcroft Recreation Ground, noting that the differing appearance of the boundary was due to variations in grass-cutting schedules. The Clerk advised that legal fees would be incurred

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for the transfer and that this won't be a quick process, a full proposal needs to be sought for the cost of transfer against the income it would generate as an asset.

Resolved:- The Committee recommended that the proposal to instigate a transfer for the parcel of land at the back of Thurcroft Recreation Ground be presented to full council for decision.

Voting:- 4 councillors present. All councillors voted in favour.

FE/2025/013 Thurcroft Cemetery

FE/2025/014 To discuss and consider consultation for Thurcroft Cemetery

Resolved:- Clerk to check with RMBC the ownership of the land to the rear of the cemetery, before we can submit plans to extend it

FE/2025/015 Future Events

FE/2025/016 To discuss and consider future events for 2025

Easter

It was decided that no events would take place for easter as the village already has activities planned. We would, however, donate 70 easter eggs for children in Thurcroft and Brampton en le Morthern. Cllr McCarten to purchase the easter eggs.

FE/2025/017 VE Day May 8th

Currently Thurcroft has a tea dance at the club, an event at the church and Cllr Bell to Check what the veterans have planned. A gas filled beacon was suggested for the memorial garden to be lit on VE day itself. Flags to be installed on lampposts

Resolved:- The Clerk agreed to obtain a quote for the beacon and for flags.

Voting:- 4 councillors present. All councillors voted in favour.

FE/2025/018 Summer Events

Cllr Bell to research summer events including a bouncy castle obstacle course, outdoor cinema and update at the next meeting.

FE/2025/019 November

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Clerk has confirmed booking for the fireworks on 1/11/25. Remembrance Sunday to take place 9th November and events will mirror 2024. Christmas fayre has been booked for Saturday 22nd November.

FE/2025/020 Reindeer Event 6th December

A Christmas event was proposed for Reindeer to visit the Gordon Bennett Memorial Hall. 4 sessions will be held for an hour long, where children can pet and feed the reindeer. Craft activities will be provided, and children can visit Santa. Entrance fee to be decided, but to be kept to the minimum to allow all children to attend. Reindeers will be on site for 4 hours.

Resolved:- The Clerk contact reindeer provider to confirm booking

Voting:- 4 councillors present. All councillors voted in favour.

FE/2025/021 To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting
No matters raised.

FE/2024/76 To discuss and agree the date for the next Facilities and Events Committee meeting to take place on Thursday 3rd April 2025

The Chair confirmed the meeting of the next Facilities and Events Committee.

Meeting closed at 20.17pm

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