

Thurcroft Parish Council

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Facilities & Events Committee held on Thursday 12th June 2025

Present Councillors: C. McCartan (Chair), D. Brown, B. Clark, H. Bell, S. Hydes (5 councillors present)

Apologies were received from Councillor: T. Murphy, V. Burford

Proper Officer: Sarah Wilkinson (Clerk)

There were no members of the public in attendance.

The meeting started at 6.30pm.

FE/2025/048 To receive and approve reasons for absence

Resolved:- That councillor's reasons for absence received from T. Murphy and V. Burford were accepted and noted.

FE/2025/049 To receive declarations of personal and pecuniary interest for members and officers

None declared

FE/2025/050 To receive and approve the minutes of the Facilities & Events Committee meeting held on Thursday 3rd April 2025

Resolved:- That the minutes of the Facilities and Events Committee held on Thursday 3rd April 2025 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:- 5 councillors present. 2 councillors voted in favour, 3 councillors abstained.

FE/2025/051 To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)

There were no written requests for dispensations.

FE/2025/052 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

No requests for dispensation need to be granted.

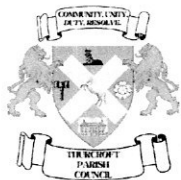
FE/2025/053 To identify any agenda items which may be considered following the exclusion of the press and public, due to the confidential nature to be discussed. Under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, S1 (2)

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

FE/2025/054 Public Participation Session

Chairperson Initial:

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No members of public in attendance.

FE/2025/055 Gordon Bennett Memorial Hall

FE/2025/056 To receive an update from the ongoing meetings with architects regarding the remodel of the Gordon Bennett Memorial Hall.

Cllr McCartan and A. Stockham have had meetings with 3 different architects regarding the remodel. 2 quotes have been received so far.

Resolved:- Once all 3 quotes have been received an extraordinary meeting will be called to discuss further.

FE/2025/057 To review the fees for the hire of the Gordon Bennett Memorial Hall.

Resolved:- Council proposed to keep the prices for regular users the same for financial year 25/26.

A recommendation was put forward for adhoc bookings as follows:

Hourly rate to increase from £20 to £25
Bar service to increase from £20 to £25
Bouncy castle electric to remain at £10
Full day booking to increase from £150 to £170
Full week booking to increase from £500 to £600 + £120 per extra day
Elections to remain at £400
Hire of the council chambers to increase from £10 to £15

This proposition will go through the finance meeting 19/6, then full council 26/6.

Voting:- 5 councillors present. All councillors voted in favour.

FE/2025/058 To receive an update on the removal of the football container from the Gordon Bennett car park.

Due to car park repairs at the Gordon Bennett Memorial Hall being carried out on Tuesday 15th July, the football container needs to be relocated before this date.

Resolved:- The container will be moved and placed at the back of the Gordon Bennett away from the railings for health and safety reasons. The container will be moved on the next available Sunday within the next month, the football club is aware that the container needs emptying before the move.



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FE/2025/059 Receive an update from the payback team regarding painting the Gordon Bennett Memorial Hall.

The payback team has painted Brampton Park today (13/6) and is due to paint the skate park tomorrow (13/6). They are unable to paint the Gordon Bennett main hall due to the high ceilings but can paint the kitchen and hallway. Quotes will be needed for a painter/decorator to paint the main hall.

FE/2025/060 To receive an update on the progress of the resurfacing of the Gordon Bennett car park.

The car park will be resurfaced on Tuesday 15th July, as there will be no user groups or staff in on that day.

FE/2025/061 Recreation Fields.

FE/2025/062 To discuss a potential new football contract for Hangmans Lane.

Clerk met with Rob Harrison and Andy Turton from Thurcroft Hubstars FC to discuss them taking on Hangmans Lane as a long-term lease.

Resolved:- proposition to go through full council on 26/6. Meeting to be set up W/C 7th July with Council and Thurcroft Hubstars to discuss further. Clerk to investigate if the land is leasehold or freehold and the potential costs involved.

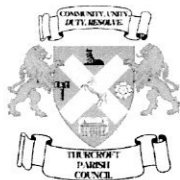
FE/2025/063 To discuss the current contract with Thurcroft FC.

Resolved:- Current contract is ok to be used for 25/26 season. Payment due dates to be changed to September and January from January and April. A letter needs to be issued to the soccer school regarding them playing on our pitches for free in the summer, this should be £20 per session and booked on Scribe. Deputy clerk to issue letter.

FE/2025/064 To discuss the current fees for football for the 25/26 season

Resolved:- A recommendation will be put forward to the finance meeting 26/6 to increase the fees as follows:

To remove adult hire as the pitches are not marked out for adult pitch sizes
To increase junior hire from £280 per season to £310
To increase junior single game hire from £25 to £30
To increase non contract hire from £45 to £55



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FE/2025/065 Cemetery

FE/2025/066 To receive an update on the resurfacing of the driveway and the turning circle at the cemetery.

Resolved:- The work started yesterday 11th June and will be completed by Friday 13th June.

FE/2025/067 To discuss the cost and administration of the plaques for the new obelisks

Resolved:- A recommendation will be put forward to the finance meeting 19/6 as follows: The plaques will be £150 and will stay on the obelisk permanently. The council will decide where the plaque will be placed, and we will not save a space, and you cannot prepay for a plaque. The obelisks will be completed in order. Clerk to design a form, based on the current memorial form that will be completed, checked and signed off, then an invoice will be sent, paid, then the plaque requested and installed. All plaques will have the same font style, size and colour and a maximum number of words. No pictures will be allowed.

FE/2025/068 Events 2025

FE/2025/069 Update on the summer event planned on Friday 15th August 2025.

Resolved:- Deputy clerk to advertise the event on Facebook and design a leaflet for the notice boards. Bands will be sold on the day for £3 for entry for 2 hours, which will include a free drink and bag of crisps.

FE/2025/070 To discuss and agree the date for the next Facilities and Events Committee meeting.

The next Facilities and Events meeting will be Thursday 9th October 2025.

Future Facilities and Events Committee Dates

12 th February 2026
8 th May 2026

Meeting closed at 20.15pm

Chairperson Initial:

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