



Thurcroft Parish Council

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Minutes of the Finance & General meeting held Thursday 18th June 2026

Present Councillors: B. Clark (Chair), C. Walker, R. Butler, M. Wordsworth (4 councillors present).

Apologies: D. Oxley

Absent: None

Proper Officer: Sarah Wilkinson

There were two members of the public in attendance

The meeting started at 6.30pm

FG/2026/112 To receive and note reasons for absence.

Reasons received and noted for D. Oxley.

FG/2026/113 To receive declarations of personal and pecuniary interest¹ for members and officers

R. Butler with FG/2026/126, C. Walker with FC/2026/130

FG/2026/114 To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)

No written requests for dispensation have been received.

FG/2026/115 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

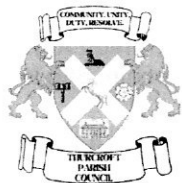
There are no requests for dispensation to grant.

FG/2026/116 To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 21st May 2026

Resolved:- That the Committee approved the minutes of Thursday 21st May 2026 as a true record of the meeting, the Chairman preceded to sign the bottom of each page to confirm they are an accurate record.

Voting:- 3 Councillors present, all voted in favour.

Chairperson Initial:



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Cllr M. Wordsworth arrived at 18.38

FG/2026/117 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))

Agenda items FG/2026/130, FG/2026/131 and FG/2026/132 are confidential

FG/2026/118 Public Participation Session

There were two members of the public from Thurcroft Theatre Group in attendance who wished to discuss the bar situation at the Gordon Bennett, which is being discussed later in the meeting. Clerk will update the members from Theatre group with the outcome of the full council meeting on 25th June 2026.

TRAINING

FG/2026/119 To discuss any training and development for councillors and employees and consider any further action

Resolved: No new training requirements.

FINANCE

FG/2026/120 To receive and note the payment and receipts report for May 2026

The Clerk presented the payments and receipts report for May 2026 for all councillors to check. Report was noted.

FG/2026/121 To receive and note the bank reconciliations for May 2026

The Clerk presented the Bank Reconciliations for May 2026. The Clerk and Chair signed the reconciliations. The committee noted the update.

FG/2026/122 To receive any grant applications received by the council and consider any further action

Grant application received from Maltby Lions for £250 received. The grant has been paid in previous years. Request has come through as a sponsorship request- money will be given as a grant only.

Voting:- 4 Councillors present, all voted in favour.

FG/2026/123 To receive an update regarding the investment account with the CCLA

Resolved: Clerk confirmed that £2494.42 in interest had been received for May 2026 on our CCLA investment.

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FG/2026/124 To receive an update from South Yorkshire Pensions

Resolved: South Yorkshire Pensions have responded with a breakdown of costs for suspending our membership. Clerk to ask for a comprehensive look at how many deferred members, active members and pensioners we have, along with how much we have paid in as a provider and who is in the scheme, before we can make a decision to either suspend or cancel our membership.

Voting:- 4 Councillors present, all voted in favour

FG/2026/125 To receive an update on any outstanding payments

Resolved:

KMAC have again chased us for payment. Clerk has emailed back stating we will not be making the payments, and their next step is the small claims court if they wish to take it further.

The party booking which caused damage to the Gordon Bennett has paid the £200 fine issued for the damage.

FG/2026/126 To discuss potential grants for Thurcroft Park

Resolved: Council would be eligible for up to £100,000 grant for the park from FCC. The funding application would need to be submitted by mid-August, and the decision made December 8th. Council would pay the difference between the cost of the park and any grant awarded from its reserves. We would have to postpone the installation until after this date as funding must be approved and signed for before the works can proceed.

Voting:- 4 Councillors present, all voted in favour to pursue the funding and delay installation.

FG/2026/127 To discuss the community governance review in relation to Laughton Common

Resolved: Clerk, chair and vice chair had a meeting with Laughton en le Morthern council to discuss Laughton Common changing from Thurcroft parish council to Laughton parish council. Clerk provided costings for Laughton Common. Thurcroft PC have no objections to Laughton PC asking RMBC to look at the position of Laughton Common under the governance review. Laughton Common will have to vote whether to remain with Thurcroft or change to Laughton under the review.

Voting:- 4 Councillors present, all voted in favour

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POLICY

FG/2026/128 To review the Media and Social Media Policy

Resolved: Policy review agreed with suggested changes.

Voting:- 4 Councillors present, all voted in favour

HR

FG/2026/129 To discuss communications surrounding staff holidays

Resolved: Clerk to update council at the end of her working week with any staff holidays for the coming week, and where staff will be working if appropriate.

FACILITIES

FG/2026/130 **CONFIDENTIAL SESSION** To discuss the bar provision at the Gordon Bennett Memorial Hall

Resolved: Our current bar provider SJR Bars has ended his contract. Currently we have 4 parties and theatre group show week with bar bookings. Council need to fulfil these bookings. Suggested to arrange a meeting with Thurcroft Club to see if they can facilitate the bar at these bookings. If the club cannot then council should look to outsource the bar for these parties only. Council to look for a permanent replacement after the Gordon Bennett remodel has taken place.

Voting:- 4 Councillors present, all voted in favour

FG/2026/131 **CONFIDENTIAL SESSION** To review the football fees for the new season

Resolved: Council voted to keep the fees at £310 per team for the season, £30 per game for those that have a contract and to reduce from £55 to £46 games for non-contract clubs to match the fee RMBC charge for the pitch at the back of Thurcroft Park.

Voting:- 4 Councillors present, all voted in favour

COMPLAINTS

FG/2026/132 **CONFIDENTIAL SESSION** - To receive any complaints received by the council and consider any further action

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Formal complaint received from Marie Bainbridge regarding her father's access to the cemetery after closing the gates. Response agreed, which Cllr B. Clark will share in preparation for discussion at Full council meeting 25th June 2026.

Complaint received from Streetscape regarding the tender process for Thurcroft park. One response has already been sent, but streetscape do not agree with this. Response prepared which Cllr B. Clark will send to councillors to be discussed at full council 25th June 2026.

Bar complaint has been resolved. All three complaints logged on the complaint/complement log.

One new compliment received regarding the planters on the shop fronts:
Thought i'd just say how nice those planters look along the shop fronts. They'll look beautiful in a few weeks.

Compliment logged on the compliment/complaints log

FG/2026/133 To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting
Nothing to note.

FG/2026/134 To confirm the date and time of the next Finance & General Committee will be held on Thursday 23rd July 2026 at 6:30pm in the Council Chamber of the Gordon Bennett Memorial Hall

The meeting closed at 20:17pm

Committee Meeting Dates for 2026

No meeting in August

Thursday 17th September

Thursday 22nd October

Thursday 19th November

No meeting in December

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