

**MINUTES OF THE THEBERTON AND EASTBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL  
EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021  
AT 7:00 PM AT JUBILEE HALL, THEBERTON**

**1. Attendance and Apologies**

**Attendees:**

Cllr. Stephen Brett – Chair  
Cllr. Hilary Ward – Vice-Chair  
Cllr. Adam Hurrell  
Cllr. Laura Bonnett  
Cllr. Stephen Morphey  
Cllr. Graham Bickers  
Cllr. Paul Collins

**Apologies for absence:**

Cllr. Tom Lagden – written and accepted  
Cllr. Nat Bacon – written and accepted

**In attendance:**

Sharon Smith - Clerk/RFO  
No members of the public

**2. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest**

None.

**3. Energy Projects**

a) Cllr. Paul Collins updated the Council about the latest Issue Specific Hearings.

b) Cllr. Graham Bickers reported that a letter regarding the comparatively unfair Property Price Support Scheme was sent to Humphrey Cadoux-Hudson, Managing Director of EDF, and copied to Therese Coffey MP. Cllr. Bickers asked the Council to consider sending valuation letters to residents to gather sound information to underpin the blighting situation and the need for a proper Property Price Support Scheme. Cllr. Bickers said a professional valuer was willing to value a number of properties, of all types to provide a broad base, to enable the Council to monitor and record how property prices move over time, particularly if Sizewell C goes ahead. Cllr. Stephen Brett expressed a concern about asking residents for private information during an already sensitive time. Cllr. Hilary Ward agreed that it was intrusive and suggested that the Council only asks residents to obtain a private valuation in case it is needed in the future. Cllr. Stephen Morphey said it was possible to obtain current valuations online. Cllr. Bickers said he understood these concerns but, without the professional valuations, the Council will be unable to do its best to support the community.

**ACTION: Cllr. Graham Bickers to circulate a draft letter for further consideration at the next meeting.**

c) Cllr. Laura Bonnett briefed the Council on the recent Nautilus Interconnector webinar.

**4. Parish Matters**

a) The Council granted permission to the Community Council to hold a fireworks display at Theberton playing field.

b) The Council agreed, in principle, to purchase a litter bin from East Suffolk Norse for the Burial Ground.

**ACTION: Clerk to ascertain costs and report back.**

**5. Progress Reports**

a) Speed Limit in Eastbridge – Cllr. Stephen Brett reported that he spoke to the Highways Liaison Engineer who advised that County Cllr. Richard Smith needs to apply.

**ACTION: Cllr. Stephen Brett to speak to Cllr. Richard Smith.**

b) Petanque Piste – Cllr. Stephen Brett reported that work had begun and will be completed next month.

c) The Council noted the latest Speed Indicator Device report, attached as Appendix II.

**ACTION: Cllr. Graham Bickers to research prices of lithium batteries and a new sign.**

d) ESC Planning Protocol – Cllr. Graham Bickers reported that SALC had agreed to discuss this matter at the next virtual Joint Area Forum on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2021 with Town and Parish Councils from East Suffolk. Cllr. Bickers said ESC are aware of the survey and its results and they appear to be reacting and reviewing their policy.

**ACTION: Clerk to circulate details of the SALC Forum.**

e) Cllr. Paul Collins and Cllr. Adam Hurrell agreed to apply for an SCC ANPR Camera for the B1122.

**ACTION: Clerk to forward guidance and application form.**

f) The Clerk said there was one violence/sexual offence in Doughty-Wylie Crescent reported in June 2021 and one burglary on Church Road reported in July 2021.

## 6. Future Projects

a) The Council postponed consideration of marking the Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022 with a permanent memorial and to nominate a Festival Community Champion until the next meeting.

**ACTION: Clerk to add to next month's agenda.**

b) The Council postponed further consideration of projects to be funded by the anonymous donation.

**ACTION: Clerk to add to next month's agenda.**

c) The Council agreed to apply for funding for a native hedgerow for wildlife enhancement at Eastbridge playing field from the Suffolk Coast and Heaths Community and Conservation Fund.

**ACTION: Cllr. Laura Bonnett, Cllr. Graham Bickers and Cllr. Stephen Brett to meet on site. Cllr. Laura Bonnett to complete and submit application form.**

## 7. Finance

a) The Council noted the latest financial position, attached as Appendix I.

b) The Council approved the bank reconciliation for Quarter 1 2021-2022.

c) Cllr. Stephen Brett proposed that the Clerk's hours are increased from 4 to 6.25 hours per week. Seconded by Cllr. Hilary Ward. All in favour.

d) Cllr. Hilary Ward proposed that the following payment is approved. Seconded by Cllr. Stephen Brett. All in favour.

Details	Payee	Amount	Power
Petanque Piste Materials	Alan Hatt	£201.20	PHA 1936 s. 87

## 8. Correspondence

The Council reviewed the correspondence received between 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021 and 9<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

## 9. Questions to the Chair/Items for Next Agenda

a) Cllr. Paul Collins asked for parish footpaths to be added to next month's agenda.

b) Cllr. Stephen Brett asked for Eastbridge Common to be added to next month's agenda.

c) Cllr. Hilary Ward said the noticeboards need attention.

**ACTION: Clerk to budget for repairs next year.**

d) Cllr. Laura Bonnett said the kissing gate at Theberton needs attention.

**ACTION: Clerk to report to Highways via the online reporting tool.**

## 10. Next Meeting

The Council confirmed the date and time of the next meeting which is scheduled for Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 7:00 pm at Jubilee Hall, Theberton.

The meeting closed at 8:50 pm.

## Appendix I – Financial Position

### Bank Balances as at 12<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Barclays Current Account	£2,302.90
Barclays Savings Account	£24,017.71
	<u>£26,320.61</u>

### Earmarked Reserves

Parish Playing Areas Maintenance and Sinking Fund	£2,000.00
Burial Ground Shed Roof Fund	£650.00
Community Infrastructure Levy	£757.74
Petanque Piste Grant	£779.00
Jubilee Hall Broadband Grant	£621.85
Anonymous Donation	£10,000.00
	<u>£14,808.59</u>

**Bank Balance less Reserves** **£11,512.02**

### Payments – September 2021

Sharon Smith – Clerk’s Salary	£249.82
Sovereign – Eastbridge Play Maintenance Package	£17.99
Sharon Smith (BT) – Jubilee Hall Broadband	£29.95
Sharon Smith – Clerk’s Expenses	£45.56
Sharon Smith (SCC) – Dog Waste Bin Licence Fee	£150.00
Hilary Ward – No Dog Signage	£107.52
GeoXphere Ltd – Parish Online Subscription	£60.00
Alan Hatt – Petanque Piste Materials	£201.00
	<u>£807.84</u>

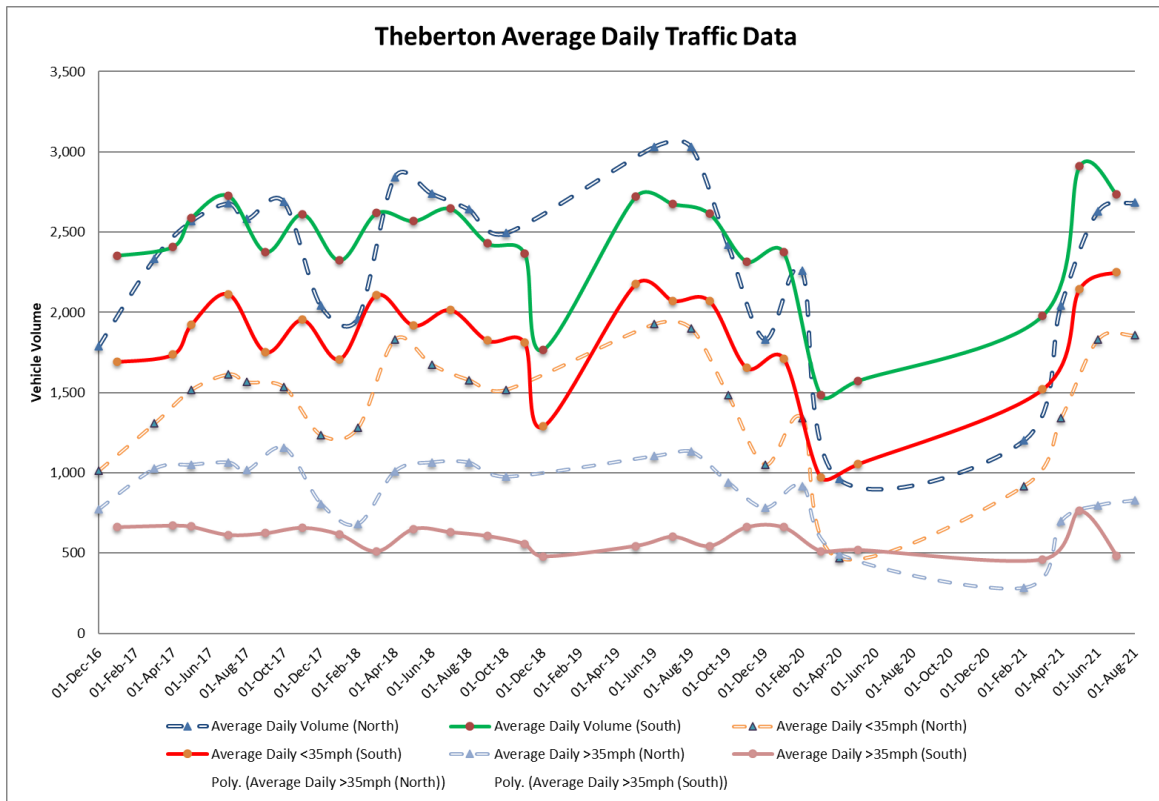
**Net Balance** **£10,704.18**

## Appendix II – Speed Indicator Device

The speed indicator device has been operational for forty-nine ~20-day periods since 20<sup>th</sup> December 2016. It is placed at one end of the village or other at ~30 day intervals. Last June the radar data logger failed and so has been absent in the village until recently when the unit was repaired.

As it happened, we were still in lockdown when the SID failed and now, as we come out of lockdown 3 and it looks like traffic is now increasing again. Traffic volumes in this last period are back to normal and possibly showing that the Sizewell outage is running but those exceeding 35mph has now reduced from 41% to **31%** from north and from 28% to **18%** from south.

The **85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed\*** is back at close to 40mph with **40.5mph** from north and **38.4mph** from south when they enter the village.



SID Start Date	15-Jan-20	15-Feb-20	16-Mar-20	14-Apr-20	15-May-20	02-Feb-21	05-Mar-21	06-Apr-21	06-May-21	05-Jun-21	07-Jul-21	08-Aug-21
Average Daily Volume (North)		2,260		961		1,202		2,042		2,630		2,685
Average Daily Volume (South)	2,374		1,487		1,574		1,981		2,912		2,736	
Total Vehicles (North)		36,162		17,304		14,428		20,421		34,187		37,596
Total Vehicles (South)	37,990		22,310		26,761		25,749		34,947		43,773	
Total Vehicles <35mph (North)		21,461		8,421		11,030		13,415		23,825		25,999
Total Vehicles <35mph (South)	27,414		14,622		17,922		19,770		25,767		36,025	
Total Vehicles >35mph (North)		14,701		8,883		3,398		7,006		10,362		11,597
Total Vehicles >35mph (South)	10,576		7,688		8,839		5,979		9,180		7,748	
Average Daily <35mph (North)		1,341		468		919		1,341		1,833		1,857
Average Daily <35mph (South)	1,713		975		1,054		1,521		2,147		2,252	
Average Daily >35mph (North)		919		493		283		701		797		828
Average Daily >35mph (South)	661		512		520		460		765		484	
<b>85th percentile speed North (mph)</b>		<b>41.2</b>		<b>44.0</b>		<b>37.6</b>		<b>39.2</b>		<b>38.8</b>		<b>38.7</b>
<b>85th percentile speed South (mph)</b>	<b>39.2</b>		<b>40.9</b>		<b>40.2</b>		<b>37.7</b>		<b>37.8</b>		<b>37.8</b>	
% <35mph (North)		59.3%		48.7%		76.4%		65.7%		69.7%		69.2%
% <35mph (South)	72.2%		65.5%		67.0%		76.8%		73.7%		82.3%	
% >35mph (North)		40.7%		51.3%		23.6%		34.3%		30.3%		30.8%
% >35mph (South)	27.8%		34.5%		33.0%		23.2%		26.3%		17.7%	

\*The 85<sup>th</sup> Percentile is indicative of the speed that the majority of road users are travelling at.