

Unapproved Minutes

Minutes of Thorpe Parish Council held on Tuesday 15th September 2020 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall, Thorpe

Present: Councillor A. Bock (in the Chair)
Councillors C. Garrett, L. Frith, P Lee
1 Parishioner and Sir Richard Fitzherbert – Dovedale Ward Councillor

Public Participation

None

1145. Apologies

None

1146. Declaration of Members Interests

No matters raised.

1147. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 16th June 2020 were approved.

1148. Ongoing Matters

- Congestion / Antisocial behaviour from visitors

Double Yellow lines were installed on 3rd August under emergency powers vested within Derbyshire County Council Highways. They are “temporary” at present, but we will be seeking to have them made permanent. To date the situation has improved and traffic is able to pass through to Dovedale and Ilam more smoothly. Parking tickets have been issued. It was noted that if a car parks on the grass beyond the double yellow lines a ticket can still be issued. Our thanks were passed on to Councillor Simon Spencer who was instrumental in getting the double yellow lines.

Access Only Signage – it was agreed to monitor the situation with parking in the village – do date it has increased marginally. If the situation gets worse Access Only signage will be requested but it has been pointed out by the County Council that it will be difficult to enforce.

Parking on Village Green – a quote has been requested for timber bollards but if cars are ticketed this should be the deterrent that we need.

The toilets at the Dovedale car park were reopened on 3rd July. However, there are still issues with defecation especially along Dovedale.

The National Trust – a meeting was held but nothing appears to have changed. The signage has not improved. Evening patrols were supposed to be more regular to educate the visitors. It would appear that anti-social behaviour and litter are a national issue and should be dealt with on a national basis. Volunteers continue to clear up rubbish and we are grateful for their help.

Fires and BBQs - posters erected by the fire service.

- Closure of public toilets – the status as a 20-minute local authority car park has been removed presumably with a view to the building being offered for sale.
- Telephone Box refurbishment – The Phone box has been sanded down and undercoated – a final push needed for the topcoat of paint.
- Village website – Continues to be updated with accounts and minutes of meetings. An Accessibility statement has been provided. We are grateful to Andrew Wager for his help with the Website.
- The flagpole and “on this day in history” notices. The flags are being raised regularly by Tracey Oldham and her helpers. A new display case updates people with this day in history.
- Public Liability on Parish maintained land – the tree survey received, and minor action required to a few of the trees.
- Grounds Maintenance – All being done well. We are to request a quote from C Challinor for strimming some verges that are neglected and to divert water away from the footbridge off Stoney Lane
- Notice Board – A temporary repair undertaken.
- Thorpe Village Hall – Nothing to report

1149. **Finances**

Cheques issued:

C Challinor	£1039.50
External Audit	£60.00
Display case, Flag etc	£107.32

Monies received:

None

Balance sheet up to 15th September2020: Current account - £4118.75
Deposit account - £1055

A new external auditor has been appointed and the accounts were approved and are displayed on the website

1150. **Planning Applications**

NP/DDD/0820/0736 – Dove Cottage Alterations and extension – no issues raised

NP/DDD/0820/0736 – The Barn House – external alterations and balcony – no issues raised – the neighbour to be made aware

1151. **Correspondence**

All general correspondence has been circulated to the Councillors.

1152. The date of next meeting is to be confirmed for Tuesday 1st December 7.30pm at The Village Hall.

1153. **Other Matters**

Sir Richard Fitzherbert reminded us that he has a grant available of £300 for projects within the village. We are to come up with a suitable proposal

Meeting closed at 8.15pm