

## **Unapproved Minutes**

### **Minutes of Thorpe Annual Parish Meeting held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 7.00pm at Thorpe Village Hall**

**Present:** Councillor A. Bock (in the Chair)  
Councillors C. Garrett, P. Lee, L. Frith and I. Franks  
6 Parishioners

#### **Public Participation**

No comments made.

#### **1187. Apologies**

None.

#### **1188. Minutes**

The minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting were approved.

#### **1189. Chairman's Report**

The Chairman confirmed that the main challenge affecting Thorpe remains the unprecedented numbers of visitors to the area. However, there were less issues in 2021 so hopefully this will continue. The precept has risen to £2500 which still represents good value considering £1820 is spent on landscaping and mowing. The precept is also very similar to the precepts in Tissington and Mapleton

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Councillors C. Garrett, P Lee, L Frith and I Franks  
6 Parishioners

#### **Public Participation – none**

#### **1190. Apologies**

None

#### **1191. Election of Officers, Chair, Vice Chair, Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer**

Andrew Bock to stay as Chairman for another year and Cat Garrett remains as Vice Chair. Andrew Bock to remain as Clerk and Cat Garrett as Responsible Financial Officer.

#### **1192 Declaration of Acceptance of Office and Register of Pecuniary Interest**

Not necessary this year

#### **1193 Appointment of Councillors Portfolios**

Louise Frith remains the Village Hall representative

#### **1194. Declaration of Members Interests**

None

#### **1195. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022 were approved.

#### **1196. Ongoing Matters**

- Congestion / Antisocial behaviour from visitors  
  
Double yellow lines – Derbyshire County Council has undertaken the procedure to make the double yellow permanent. We need to establish if this has been successful. As there has been no increase in parking within the village, “Access Only” signage is not required. With regards to litter, J Bailey suggested that we contact DDDC prior to their twice yearly mowing of verges in order that they undertake a litter pick first.
- Closure of public toilets – No response from Derbyshire Dales District Council with regards to an auction date.
- Telephone Box refurbishment – final push needed for outstanding works. Rather than standing empty, villagers encouraged to adopt a use such as a library.
- Village website – updated as required
- Grounds Maintenance – Mowing has recommenced and everybody happy with the results.
- Notice Board – Replacement notice on the village hall required
- Thorpe Village Hall – It was noted that the Village Hall Committee is reinvigorated with new members and hopefully work can commence on the refurbishment. As there are insufficient bookings / income to pay for the running costs, the Parish Council may be asked to contribute.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Village Signboard - £100 grant received from Sir Richard Fitzherbert Derbyshire Dales DC fund – to be commissioned
- Footpaths – Cllr Lee to remind (again) the County Council regarding outstanding repairs to the flooded area near stream at the rear of the Village Green. Cllr Lee confirmed that a lot of footpaths are overgrown and need maintaining. This can be done by the Parish subject to reimbursement – to be investigated.
- Land around the flagpole. The neighbouring property claims that they own this land. Proof of this has been requested. In the meantime, the Parish will continue to maintain.
- Commemorative Trees. 3 trees planted on the Village Green. One for the Queen (DDDC grant), one for Michael Ellis (paid for by the Parish) and one for Frances Gould (paid for by Frank Gould).
- Defibrillator – Whilst a new battery and pads were ordered in November 2021 they have still not arrived as we are told there is a worldwide shortage. An update required and consideration to whether a new defibrillator is purchased instead. Subsequent to the meeting, a new defibrillator will cost nearly £1000. The battery and pads are scheduled for delivery at the end of May.
- Discharge of sewerage by Severn Trent into local watercourses. To date Severn Trent have not provided an explanation. We suspect that the new pumps that were installed last year have resolved the matter.
- Queen's Platinum Jubilee. A separate Committee has been formed to prepare for the village events on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> June. A £500 grant has received from Derbyshire Dales and fundraising at the quiz night has raised £255. A gazebo is to be purchased that will be available for hire by villagers in the future.

## 1197. **Finances**

The Annual Governance statement for the year to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 was reviewed and agreed. The Annual Accounts for the year to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 were approved subject to internal audit. The Council qualifies as an exempt Council for external audit as its income and expenditure is less than £25,000. The exemption Certificate was duly approved.

Cheques issued:

None

Monies received:

DDDC Precept	£2500
DDDC Jubilee Grant	£500

Balance sheet up to 5/5/2022:	Current account - £5728.54
	Deposit account - £1055.92

1198. **Planning Applications**

NP/DDD/1221/1311 Hillcrest – extension and external hot tub / sauna timber structure – no objections from the Parish Council  
NP/DDD/0222/0145 – Birkdale, raising roof plus extension. No objection.

1199. **Correspondence**

All general correspondence has been circulated to the Councillors.

1200. The date of next meeting is to be confirmed.

1201. **Other Matters**

No matters raised

Meeting closed at 7.50pm