

## Unapproved Minutes

### Minutes of Thorpe Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023 at 7.00pm in St Leonards Church, Thorpe

**Present:** Councillor A. Bock (in the Chair), Councillors L Frith and C Garrett  
2 Parishioners and Nigel Edwards Walker – candidate for Dovedale, Parwich and Brassington Ward on Derbyshire Dales District Council and resident of Tissington.

**Public Participation – Will Smith reminded the meeting that the roads had not been swept for at least 6 months – the County Council to be notified**

#### 1215. Apologies

Cllr I Franks, Cllr P Lee and Clarke Lomas

1216. **Election of Councillors.** All Parish Council seats are up for re-election on 4<sup>th</sup> May. The last Date for applications is 4<sup>th</sup> April. To date 4 candidates, 5 Councillors required

#### 1217. Declaration of Members Interests

None

#### 1218. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2022 were approved.

#### 1219. Ongoing Matters

- Congestion / Antisocial behaviour from visitors – to be monitored in light of Peak Park charging for car parks
- Closure of public toilets – Derbyshire Dales District Council are conveying the access land to Thorpe Pastures to the National Trust. This paves the way for the sale of the former toilets, presumably by auction. The toilets are not part of the “village green”.
- 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 – C Challinor’s charge has increased from £1820 to £1956 for 2023 and this has been accepted.
- Notice Board – Replacement notice board on the village hall required
- Thorpe Village Hall – It was noted that the refurbishment works are proceeding well and will be completed in time for the Elections on 4<sup>th</sup> May and the

Coronation. If it is necessary for the Parish Council to contribute to the annual running costs, an estimate is required from the Village Hall Committee. If an increase in the precept is required, this will be put to the vote by residents. The Village Hall Committee is requesting the surplus currently held in the bank account be paid to them for future running costs. This is to be considered at a future date.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Village Signboard - £100 grant received from Sir Richard Fitzherbert Derbyshire Dales DC fund – to be commissioned
- Footpaths – No resolution yet to the flooding at the bottom of the Village Green but a simple bridge has been installed presumably by the County Council.
- Land around the flagpole. The neighbouring property owner claims that they own this land and has provided auction details from 1973 showing that this land was part of the sale. However no legal proof has been provided despite requesting this for 12 months. The land is shown legally as “village green” having being designated in 1973. The Parish Council has maintained this land for in excess of 30 years, including the erection of the perimeter stone walling.
- Car Park Charging by Peak Park. No formal decision received from Peak Park to commence charging for the Narlow Lane and Thorpe Station Car Parks despite our objections. Visitors will seek to avoid charges by parking in the village. If this happens we will be requesting restrictions to parking within the village.

#### 1220. **Finances**

Cheques issued:

C Challinor cutting grass on Village Green    £144.00

Renewal of Website Domain                            £71.86

Monies received:

None

Balance sheet up to 22/3/2023:                      Current account - £2369.41

Deposit account - £1055.92

#### 1221. **Planning Applications**

NP/DDD/1122/1456 and NP/DDD/1122/1474 Thorpe Station Car Park and Narlow Lane Car Park – Installation of solar powered car park meters – Objections lodged in line with objection to Peak Park charging and associated parking elsewhere.

#### 1222. **Correspondence**

All general correspondence has been circulated to the Councillors.

1223. The date of Annual Parish meeting and Parish meeting is Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm in the Village Hall.

#### 1224. **Other Matters**

The PCC for St Leonards Church were thanked for the use of the Church for the meeting.

Meeting closed at 7.45pm