## **Unapproved Minutes**

## Minutes of Thorpe Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall, Thorpe

**Public Participation - No Comments made** 

1225. Apologies – None

- 1226. Minutes the minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2022 were approved.
- 1227. Chairman's Report the Chairman confirmed

The Queens Jubilee was very well attended and celebrated by the village despite the poor weather

The Parish Council purchased a large gazebo with the grant money proved by Derbyshire Dales District Council. This was used at the Jubilee celebrations and is available for hire by villagers.

Two trees were planted on the Village Green to mark the Jubilee and honour Michael Ellis.

The precept remains at £2500

The Chairman expressed his gratitude to lan Franks and Phil Lee who have retired from the Parish Council.

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**Present:** Councillor A. Bock (in the Chair), Councillors L Frith, C Garrett and R Frith 5 Parishioners

### Public Participation – Sue Smith confirm that the roads were swept in Thorpe today.

1228. Apologies

None

## 1229. Election of Officers.

Councillor C Garrett proposed Councillor A Bock be elected as Chairman. Seconded by Councillor L Frith.

Councillor A Bock accepted and took the Chair and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form.

Councillor A Bock proposed Councillor Cat Garrett as Vice Chair. Seconded by Councillor L Frith. Councillor C Garrett to be the Responsible Financial Officer.

## 1230. Declaration of Members Interests

None

# 1231. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023 were approved.

# 1232. Ongoing Matters

- Congestion / Antisocial behaviour from visitors to be monitored in light of Peak Park charging for car parks. Parking did occur on the grass by the Wellingtonia tree over the Easter Bank Holiday. A telephone number required for reporting offenders so that tickets can be issued.
- Closure of public toilets Derbyshire Dales District Council are conveying the access land to Thorpe Pastures to the National Trust. Legal work still ongoing. This paves the way for the sale of the former toilets, presumably by auction.
- Telephone Box refurbishment final push needed for outstanding works. Cat Garrett expressed an interest in providing a library
- Village website updated as required.
- Grounds Maintenance Nothing to report.
- Notice Board Replacement notice board on the village hall required
- Thorpe Village Hall The Village Hall Committee were congratulated on the excellent job of refurbishing the hall and toilets especially as this was done in time for the local elections and Coronation celebrations. If it is necessary for the Parish Council to contribute to the annual running costs, an estimate is required. 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. However we need to keep a reserve especially for a replacement defibrillator in 2025 that is likely to cost £1000. Hopefully the Dovedale Dash will provide sufficient funds for the running of the village hall.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Village Signboard £100 grant received from Sir Richard Fitzherbert Derbyshire Dales DC fund
- 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. There was a suggestion that stepping stones will help.
- 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 in 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. A 1980s photograph showing the land with a metal fence has been provided.

• Car Park Charging by Peak Park. Charging for the Narlows Lane and Thorpe Station Car Parks has been approved by Peak Park despite our objections. Visitors could seek to avoid charges by parking in the village. If this happens we will be requesting restrictions to parking within the village.

### 1233. Finances

Cheques issued: None

Monies received: Precept £2500

Balance sheet up to 10/5/2023:

Current account - £5318.02 Deposit account - £1057.05

- 1234. The Annual Governance Statement for 2023/24 was considered approved and signed by resolution of the council
- 1235. The unaudited accounts for 2022/23 as certified by the responsible financial officer were approved and signed by resolution of the council and will now be subject to an Internal Audit prior to being published on the council's website.

## 1236. Planning Applications

NP/DDD/0423/0474 and NP/DDD/0423/0451 Hollington End Farm. Change of use of agricultural building to Industrial B2 for manufacture of agricultural buildings – no objection. New agricultural building – No objection in principal but request that a less prominent location used to the West of the site.

### 1237. Correspondence

All general correspondence has been circulated to the Councillors.

1238. The date of next Parish meeting to be confirmed.

### 1239. Other Matters

The tree commemorating the Queen was damaged by an falling branch ironically on the day of her death. We will see how it grows this year to establish if it needs replacing.

Councillor Nigel Walker was congratulated on him becoming the District Councillor on Derbyshire Dales District Council. The Parish Council will support his application to become a member of Peak District National Park.

Meeting closed at 8pm