

Unapproved minutes

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THORPE PARISH COUNCIL, HELD ON TUESDAY 17th November, 2015 AT 7-30PM IN THORPE VILLAGE HALL.

PRESENT Cllr A. Bock (in the chair)
Cllrs A. Wager, W. Smith, D. Belton and C. Carr
Cllr Sir Richard Fitzherbert
2 Parishioners,

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Cllr Sir Richard Fitzherbert wished to raise a few matters and it was agreed to do this whilst the meeting progressed

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APOLOGIES J Bailey, R Hunt

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DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

It was noted that C. Carr had been appointed to the Peak Park Board

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MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th August 2015 were unanimously approved

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ON-GOING MATTERS

- Village Website – advertisers to be sought from local businesses
- DDDC's application for possessory title of the car park outside the public toilets – The Chairman met with DDDC on 3rd June and no further correspondence since. Chairman to chase. As long as it remains as a car park TPC does not have an objection.
- Re-surfacing of Lane behind Church – Cllr Simon Spencer approached to apply pressure on the County Council. We are informed that work is to commence this year.
- Reduction in Community Transport Service. TPC supports the initiative to stop the cuts imposed by the County Council. A petition is being passed around the village
- Pot holes – A number of repairs undertaken. Erratic response from the County Council with regards to repairs. Resurfacing required. Tar and chippings is the best that can be hoped for.
- Flooding on Digmire Lane – Currently flooded confirming that the works undertaken by the County Council have not succeeded. The County to be re approached with photographs.
- Village Clear Up – Took place on Saturday 19th September. 3 groups of villagers undertook strimming, hedge cutting, cleaning signs, painting benches, cutting ivy, pruning etc
- Village Local Plan. A questionnaire to be distributed around the village to find out what is wanted. Possibly some information/directional boards for visitors? A compilation of old photographs of Thorpe? A village pond? All to be investigated.
- Tiger Moth Aeroplanes. No involvement from TPC. We understand that the operators have agreed with J Bailey to reduce their visits to 3 a day and alter the route. However it has been noted that they have already had up to 7 visits per day since the agreement. This will become an issue again in the spring.
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FINANCE

- Cheques issued/payments approved
 - C. Challinor £930
 - A Bock – expenses £64.53
 - DDDC – Election costs £103.90
- Payments received
 - Western Power £6.90
- Balance Sheet 17th November, 2015
- The balances presented were: Treasurers a/c - £4103.70 Business a/c - £1052.36
- Grant Thornton approved last years' accounts on 13th August 2015.
- Precept Draft precept discussed by Cllr D Belton the Responsible Financial Officer. As a clerk is no longer employed by TPC it is anticipated that a saving of £1500 can be made on the precept and passed on to villagers as lower council tax next year. This still allows expenditure on a Village Plan project and have sufficient reserves for unforeseen issues.

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PLANNING

No applications since last meeting

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CORRESPONDENCE

All general correspondence has been circulated.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

5th January 2016

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OTHER MATTERS

- Cllr Sir Richard Fitzherbert confirmed that he is allocated a budget of £1000 per annum split between the 5 villages in the Ward. Therefore he wishing to get applications for initiatives such as those within the Village Plan
- Cllr Sir Richard Fitzherbert also explained that the review of the local plan was considering the expansion of housing stock in local towns and villages and that the views of local residents are being sought. This also includes the provision of affordable housing.
- It was noted that DDDC is a member Sheffield City Region and D2N2 and therefore have future funding and representations as part of the region.
- The owners of the hedges either side of Hall Lane to be contacted as they are overgrown and causing damage to large vehicles. To date one side has been cut back
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Meeting closed 8-45pm.