

## **Unapproved Minutes**

### **Minutes of Thorpe Parish Council held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at 7.30pm in Thorpe Village Hall**

**Present:** Councillor A. Bock (in the Chair)  
Councillors A. Wager, W. Smith, C. Carr, D Belton  
5 Parishioners

#### **Public Participation**

Nothing to report

#### **1000. Apologies**

Sir Richard Fitzherbert

#### **1001. Declaration of Members Interests**

C. Carr – member of Peak Park  
A. Wager – member of Thorpe Village Hall Committee

#### **1002. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2016 were approved.

#### **1003. Ongoing Matters**

- Village website – accounts displayed on the website as required.
- Car Park ownership – Derbyshire Dales District Council claim for Possessory Title of the car park outside the public toilets. Discussions with the solicitor at DDDC have progressed and an exchange of letters is expected that gives permission for temporary toilets for the Dovedale Dash each year and also recognises that the land is Village Green thereby preventing development.
- BT Telephone Box closure has been announced for most telephone boxes in the Peak Park villages due to lack of use including Thorpe's. TPC to adopt the telephone box for £1. Volunteers to be sought for repainting. A suitable use to be found ie tourist information, library
- Reduction in the community transport scheme – A trail of an on demand / taxi type services is expected in the New Year
- Potholes/road maintenance – Nothing further to report
- Flooding on Digmire Lane – to be monitored.

- Village Local Plan signage – The budget is £1,500 of which £500 has already been obtained as a grant from DDDC. The artist is to commence in January with completion and erection due for Spring 2017. The maps are to name every house within the village (subject to owners consent) in order that delivery drivers can find individual houses. The sign or signs are likely to be placed on a building in order to save costs.
- Defibrillator – This has been erected on The Village Hall. Training will be organised for people within the vicinity. This donation is very much appreciated. Thorpe Parish Council will be responsible for the maintenance of the defibrillator including a contribution towards the electricity it consumes to The Village Hall. This is estimated to be £25pa.
- Tiger Moths – according to the local press the business has been sold and the tiger months have been moved to a different airfield.
- Village broadband – villagers to be reminded that Zycomm offer a radio broadband service as long as the radio mast is visible from the receiving end.

Water Supply to Church House. An alternative route found by the owner that avoids Village Green land

It was agreed to employ a tree feller to prune the trees on The Village Green and in particular branches interfering with telephone lines.

#### 1004 **Finances**

- Cheques issued:  
C Challinor £1050
- Money received:  
Western Power Wayleave £6.90
- Balance sheet up to 6<sup>th</sup> December 2016  
Current account – £5213  
Deposit account – £1,054
- Audit – Grant Thornton have pointed out that as a matter of good practice it would be preferable for Councillors not to also have a role as Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer. By not employing a Clerk we are saving £1500 per annum and this is passed on as a lower precept. It was agreed to minute this in case any villagers oppose the arrangement and prefer a Clerk to be employed. Alternatively there might be an enthusiastic villager that could volunteer their services free of charge.
- Precept – to be agreed at the next meeting

1005 **Planning**

The application for a new porch for Cloud Croft on Digmire Lane were circulated to Councillors and a notice put on the notice board. No objections received and Peak Park informed of Thorpe Parish Council's support for the application. Peak Park has since granted consent.

1006 **Correspondence**

All general correspondence circulated to Councillors.

1007 **Date of next meeting**

7.30pm on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at the Village Hall.

1008 **Other Matters**

"Access Only" signage to Stoney Lane. A quote of £114 plus VAT received for 2 signs for "No SAT NAV traffic". It was agreed to proceed subject to agreement with immediate residents on location of the signage – this is still to be undertaken

One of the benches nearest to the church has been removed as it is in disrepair. The family of the benefactor do not wish to replace the bench.

Stile on Stoney Lane – the repairs have been undertaken and we are still awaiting an invoice.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm.