

Unapproved Minutes

Minutes of Thorpe Parish Council held on Tuesday 2nd May 2017 at 7.30pm in Thorpe Village Hall

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

Public Participation

Mr Lomas referred to the proposed closure of the public conveniences. The cleaning and maintenance of the building has been reduced and he enquired about the stance of the Parish Council. The Chairman confirmed that the matter was on the agenda

1021. Apologies

Cllr W Smith, Sir Richard Fitzherbert

1022. Election of Officers

Cllr C. Carr Proposed Cllr A. Bock be elected as Chairman.
Seconded – Cllr A. Wager

- Cllr A. Bock accepted and took the chair and signed the “Declaration of Acceptance of Office” form.
- Cllr A. Bock proposed Cllr A. Wager continue the role of Vice Chair.
Seconded – Cllr D Belton.

1023. Declaration of Members Interests

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

1024. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 24th January 2017 were approved.

1025. Ongoing Matters

- Village website – Cllr A. Wager confirmed that it was not possible to establish the number of “hits” the website achieves and to do so would involve changing the domain and expenditure. It was decided that this is not necessary. The accounts to be displayed on the website once approved

- Car Park ownership and potential closure of public conveniences – Derbyshire Dales District Council are consulting about the closure of 27 public conveniences throughout the area including Thorpe's. The proposed closure will be resisted by the Parish Council as they offer a valuable service to visitors and people working in the area. It was confirmed that the Parish Council have no intention in adopting themselves even with financial contributions. If it is necessary a charge for using the WCs would be better than closure.
- BT Telephone Box closure. TPC has resisted the closure but if necessary has confirmed the intention to adopt the telephone box for £1.
- Reduction in the community transport scheme – A trial of an on demand / taxi type services has started
- Potholes/road maintenance - Cllr A. Wager to establish when the village will be getting a road sweep and the frequency thereafter.
- 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. Sue Prince has completed the draft map which will be circulated amongst villagers for their contributions and confirmation that they wish for their house to be named. The map is to be of assistance to delivery drivers and visitors so that they can find what they are looking for. The sign or signs are likely to be placed on a building in order to save costs. It was pointed out that when villagers are requesting deliveries the street name and directions should be provided so that the delivery driver has a better chance of finding the property.
- Defibrillator – The training organised for villagers on 7th February was well attended with over 40 villagers. We are grateful to East Midlands Ambulance Service for providing such a service.
- Signage on Stoney Lane – Still to be implemented
- Cars parking at the junction of Digmire Lane with the main road are making the junction dangerous and Derbyshire County Council are to be approached with regards to making it safer.

The tree feller has completed the pruning to the tree on The Village Green

1026 **Finances**

- Cheques issued:
DALC - £63.90
JK Arboriculture - £100
Community Lincs Insurance _ £180.25

Money received:
Precept - £2250.00
VAT - £320.00

Footpath Maintenance - £150.00

Balance sheet up to 2nd May 2017 - £5714

- 1027 • The Annual Governance Statement for the year 2016/17 was considered approved, and signed by resolution of the Council
- 1028 • The unaudited Accounts Statement for 2016/17, as certifies by the Responsible Financial Officer, were approved and signed by resolution of the Council

The accounts and internal control systems of the Council will now be subject to Internal Audit prior to submission of the Annual Return to Grant Thornton for external audit.

1029 **Planning**

Nothing to report

1030 **Correspondence**

All general correspondence circulated to Councillors.

1031 **Date of next meeting**

7.30pm on Tuesday 5th September 2017 at the Village Hall.

1032 **Other Matters**

Nothing raised

Meeting closed at 8.45pm.