



# THORNER NEWS

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## CHAIRMAN'S INTRO

The nights are drawing in, winter approaches and the Elves will be soon at work making Thorner look exceedingly Christmassy! This is your Christmas edition of Thorner News!

I'd like to draw your attention to some of the things that my Parish Council colleagues have arranged over the last few months that would not necessarily be obvious and are worthy of note in the newsletter.

The maintenance team has had the wall repaired at the rear of the Gardens, as well as replacing the fence between the Gardens and Boules. The fitness equipment that was loose is now solid in the ground again. Dog poo bag dispensers continue to be refilled. The Christmas tree is on order for Millennium Green. The Parish Council has taken on the coordination of the Remembrance Sunday parade, which will see the road closed by the police this year on 14 November.

Parish councillors attend meetings outside the village as stakeholders about Leeds Festival, ELOR, Park & Ride, crime in the area and many other matters. They review and provide comment on local planning applications and help write the Neighbourhood Plan.

Thorner was recently listed by the Sunday Times as one of the top 50 villages in the UK to live in, and I am often told interesting facts like it is the largest "dark village" in England (facts that I don't check). I am sure that it was given the former accolade partly due to the many events and groups that take place within this small community.

I would love to see these events starting up again in 2022 as we gain more confidence in mixing with others, and with the Parish Council supporting them – especially with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in February and the additional bank holiday in June. This community has not been together in celebration for too long, and events are when I really see individuals, and the village, shine.

**A Merry Christmas from the whole Parish Council, and I really hope we have a great New Year!**

*Mark Harrison*

## CARR LANE FOOTPATH

By the time you read this edition of the Newsletter a new public footpath should be in use providing a safe pedestrian link from Carr Lane to the Scarborough Walk and Eltofts.

Achieving this has taken over 20 years, but plans came to fruition with the co-operation of the land owner - the Mexborough Estates, the farmer Phil Walmsley, Leeds City Council Public Rights of Way Team, Thorner Parish Council, The Emmerdale Fund, and Thorner Footpath Volunteers.

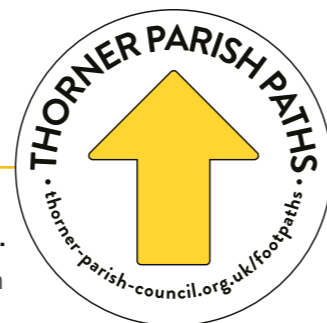
As well as creating a new path, 3 cross field paths on Manor Farm land have been diverted making an easier route for walkers and avoiding crop damage. The revised routes will be well signed.

It is intended to have a launch ceremony, and there will be photographs in the next edition of the news.

As always we remind users of our wonderful local rural paths network to:

- Stay on the marked routes
- Keep dogs under close control and on a lead if sheep are grazing in the vicinity
- Take away and bin any litter and dog waste

We have a small voluntary group that offers free exercise sessions whilst carrying out maintenance work on footpaths. If you'd like to offer to help you'll gain in fitness and help people enjoy the countryside through easy access along our Rights of Way. More information on this from *Steven Wood – thornerwood@btinternet.com*



## THE NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is powered not by the Parish Council, but by the fingers and pens of Thorner. Most articles are submitted by groups and individuals in the parish.

To submit an article, you must be on the call-out list. When the clerk puts a call out for articles, you will be emailed and asked to submit your articles. To join the call out list, please email [thornerparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:thornerparishcouncil@gmail.com). If you do not submit articles for over a year, you may be removed from the call out list to avoid creating spam emails.

The clerk will send a call out 18 days before a PC meeting and the articles must be submitted 7 days later to keep the articles topical. The articles MUST meet the following specification.

- All articles must be submitted with an author's name, that author permits the PC to print their name adjacent to the article. This may not be the name of the group.
- Articles for the newsletter should generally be looking forward to future events or recent achievements.
- Articles are submitted as Word documents or plain text.
- All photos are provided separately and at original/high resolution. Images are not to be embedded in Word documents, to ensure best quality print reproduction. Images embedded in Word documents will now be automatically rejected by the editors.
- Do not provide formatted adverts unless by prior agreement.
- The PC may edit submitted articles for reasons of length, readability, tone, accuracy or fairness as part of the editing of Thorner News.

The newsletter is then available for approval at the next parish council meeting before going to print and is usually distributed by volunteers from the following weekend. Every residence in Thorner receives a copy.

Thank you to all volunteers who make this publication happen! *Mark Harrison*

## THORNER JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB

The youth club restarted in September and we are pleased to say we had a great response so much so that we are running at capacity at present, anyone now wishing to join is welcome to come along and put their name on a waiting list. We would also very much like it if we had one or two parent volunteers.

After the half term break we are going to be running an art project which we know has been enjoyed in the past this together with the usual games and activities.

We would also like to thank the Parish Council for their financial support for the youth club, this is very much appreciated.

If anyone would like further information about the Youth Club, please contact *Belinda Swift on 0113 2892946*.

## THORNER WALKING GROUP

We have an excellent network of local footpaths to enjoy. Thorner Walking Group meets every Wednesday lunchtime for a local walk of around four miles. We start at The Surgery at 1 pm and sometimes start from nearby villages.

Once a month there is a longer walk, around eight to ten miles, often on the North York Moors or the Dales.

As a winter project, we are walking the 62 mile long Leeds Country Way on successive months, starting at Golden Acre Park.

If you are interested in joining us, please email to be added to a weekly update detailing the walks. We'll look forward to seeing you.

*Wendy & David Miller wendyeileenmiller@gmail.com*

## EXCHANGE FOR ALL AGES

Saturday Mornings  
10am - 12 noon  
31a Main Street, The Bungalow.

A new venture was launched at the end of July. Having benefitted from the generous donations of a wide range of quality books, we were able to offer a Book Exchange. Since then, every Saturday morning the Bungalow has opened its door to welcome people of all ages to come in, and enjoy choosing, swapping and reading books. We are particularly proud of our selection of children's books. Visitors have been very impressed with the books available and have commented upon how well organised they are, making it easy to find books.

Do visit us and see for yourself. Bring your children along and help them engage in the fun of browsing and reading. We ask you to bring one or two books to swap; alternative arrangements can be made if you prefer not to offer a book. Please note our shelves have now reached full capacity and we currently do not need further book donations. If you would like to join our great team of volunteers who take it in turns to oversee these sessions, please contact us on [thornerbungalow@gmail.com](mailto:thornerbungalow@gmail.com)

*Bev Cussans*

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## HIGHWAYS WORKING PARTY

The Highways Working Party comprises 3 Parish Councillors, plus two residents. We hope shortly that details of our work, including details of our meetings, will appear on the Parish Council web site. We are always willing to listen to what residents have to say. If you would like to be part of the Group, or would like any more information about any of the matters we are dealing with, then please contact Steven Wood at [steven.at.thornerpc@btinternet.com](mailto:steven.at.thornerpc@btinternet.com)

**ROAD MAINTENANCE** – we report problems of which we are aware, but you can report problems yourselves using the Leeds City Council web site [leeds.gov.uk](https://leeds.gov.uk). There are on line forms which are easy to complete, and which you can use to report anything from a pothole in the road, a missed bin collection, or fly tipping. You will be asked to identify the location by reference to a map, and to provide photographic evidence, to help the Council assess the problem and prioritise it.

**PARKING** – continues to be a major problem. Many houses in the village, particularly those on or near Main Street, have limited off road parking facilities. While vehicles parked at the side of the road act as a traffic calming measure, they can cause problems for those residents who have to manoeuvre through the parked vehicles to access their driveways. There is no easy answer (we are open to suggestions) to this problem. All we ask is that residents think where they are parking, and show consideration for others.

**SPEEDING** – particularly the speed of traffic entering the village, is another problem difficult to solve. Most residents drive sensibly, but there are some who do not – and, yes, the problem is usually with residents and regular visitors. The police will be targeting the villages in the Harewood Ward – do not expect sympathy if you are caught.

**POLICE** – we liaise with the Police, and a member of the Working Party attends PACT (Police and Communities Together) meetings. Fortunately crime in the area is relatively low, and we are alerted to local trends. You can check the statistics for the area on [www.police.uk/pu/your-area/west-yorkshire-police/leeds-north-east/](https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/west-yorkshire-police/leeds-north-east/)

You can also use this site to report offences. Drivers, and cyclists, are reporting traffic offences, supported by evidence from dash cams or helmet cameras.

We are pressing for the return of Police Surgeries, as the restrictions on personal meetings are lifted. PCSO Geoff Nottingham, who usually ran the Surgeries, has recently retired, and he has not yet been replaced. We are also keen to promote the Neighbourhood Watch schemes.

**GRIT BINS** – as winter approaches we hope the grit bins in various locations will be replenished. The grit is to keep the footpaths clear, not residents' driveways. We hope to be able to make arrangements for these bins to be kept replenished – although we hope the weather stays fine, so the grit is not needed.

**ELOR** – the good news is that work is ahead of schedule, and the new road should be open and ready for use by early summer 2022. We hope the new road will impress, so that residents quickly forget the problems caused during construction. It will be far more than just a road – 75% of the land acquired for the road will be landscaping, with footpaths and cycleways, and only 25% tarmac. 400 mature trees will be planted to replace 250 that were removed, plus 30,000 new whips. There will be a new Country Park on the parcel of land between the new road and the Cemetery, off Thorner Lane (which, of course, will remain closed to through traffic)

We have received advance notice of a proposal to site two football pitches (to replace two at John Smeaton that will be lost to the ELE – East Leeds Extension) on a field behind the Arium. Sports pitches are an acceptable Green Belt use, and there is no intention, currently, to erect any building, or floodlights. There will be additional parking provided, but it will be discretely hidden by the side of the Arium buildings.

**PARK & RIDE** – the West Yorkshire Combined Authority propose to open a Park & Ride facility on a site off the A64, opposite Langlands Nurseries. The site is attractive to Leeds, as it is owned by the Council.

Both Thorner and Barwick and Scholes Parish Councils have said this is not an appropriate location. We do not think it will be used by residents, who will have to drive away from the city, to catch a bus back in. We should not be asking residents to drive, when most live within easy walking distance of a bus stop.

Visitors coming into Leeds on the A64 already have the option of the Park & Ride facility at Temple Green. Although further to travel, the extra distance is all motorway, and the transfer time into the city from Temple Green is much quicker.

We are also concerned that the parking area, which will be well lit until late at night, could be a source of light pollution. The consultation is continuing.

**Steven Wood**

## MAINTENANCE WORKING PARTY

As we learn to live and manage the pandemic, we all continue to get on with our lives and plan ahead. The Maintenance Working Party are also planning ahead and within the next couple of weeks you will see the installation of two concrete bases (outlined in the map below) ready for the two wheelchair accessible picnic benches.

This has been possible by being successful in our application to Leeds City Council's Well-being fund. We really wanted the picnic benches to be in keeping with the wrought iron frame work of the benches therefore due to material shortages, our proposed picnic benches will not be delivered until spring.

Also as part as our ongoing plans, we propose to relocate one of the refurbished benches (from Millennium Green) up to the corner of Kirkfield Lane/ Braham Road on the greenspace for residents to sit and enjoy the views.

At the end of November Thorner Tree Group will be planting up some shrubs to encourage pollination and biodiversity, into one of the borders next to the fitness equipment along with Rowan Trees and Crab Apple trees as outlined in their recent survey. The Maintenance Working Party will assist them with their planting once finalised locations are decided.

We continue to support biodiversity and we welcome Thorner Tree Group in helping us facilitate this. We have all enjoyed the fantastic display of wild flowers on Millennium Green this year and plan to support Thorner Tree Group next year to repeat the same wildflower planting. The Maintenance Working Party is keen to support other projects promoting biodiversity and welcome any suggestions.

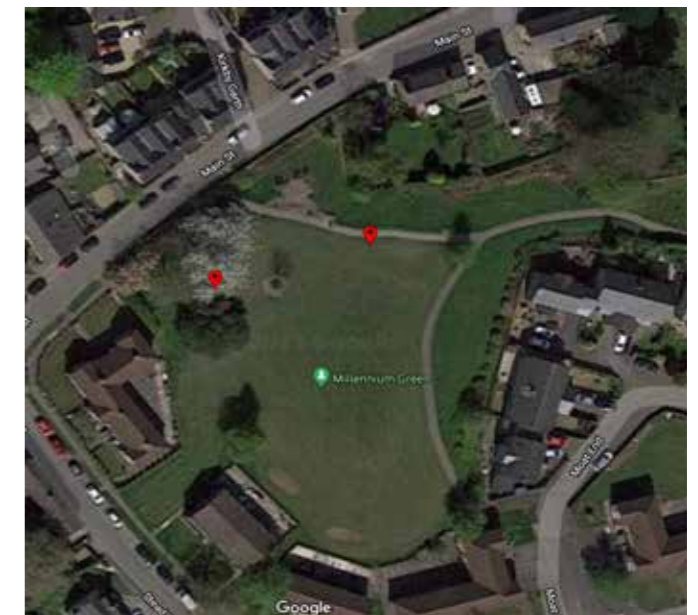
We also intend through the grant money received, to plant up some shrubs in the three flower beds in the Memorial Garden section.

Thorner Parish Council has agreed to purchase some Rose Bushes and we will dedicate the front flower bed with the memorial stone insitu as a rose flower bed.

The grass cutting contract which is in place with Continental Landscapes will expire in March 2022 and we will be reviewing our grass cutting contract which includes Millennium Green, Village upkeep and weed control. We will be seeking suitable quotes from potential contractors.

You will see our Maintenance Working Party out and about over the next few months planting bulbs at the Village Signs, clearing overgrowth in Ramsays Fold (next to the ford) and of course lots of planting on Millennium Green if you see us out and about do stop and say hello we like to chat!

If you have any feedback or comments please email. [Sheila.Llewellyn@thornerpc.co.uk](mailto:Sheila.Llewellyn@thornerpc.co.uk)



\\ Location of concrete bases in preparation for the picnic benches \\

## THORNER COMMUNITY CHOIR

Singing is good for your health. So good in fact that the use of singing on prescription is increasing in popularity in the health care sector.

Scientists have shown that singing boosts oxytocin and endorphins and lowers cortisol, but those who do the singing simply know that they feel better for the experience.

Thorner's Community Choir re-started in September with 25 participants, and anyone is welcome to join in and reap the benefits. The group offer a friendly, relaxed atmosphere – no auditions are needed and it's not necessary to read music nor be a budding soloist.

We meet on Monday evenings 7-00-8.30pm at Thorner Parish Centre on Church View. Come along and try the first session for free- thereafter there's a modest charge of £15 each five weeks to cover the costs of room hire our professional tutor Tommie Jones.

If you'd like more information ring Pat Smith 2892205 or email [pat.smith235@btinternet.com](mailto:pat.smith235@btinternet.com) John Calvert

## THORNER SWIFTS GROUP

Summer evenings in the village are often made magical by the calls of swifts chasing round the houses in their seemingly joyful way.

A few of the older houses have swift nesting places, typically up behind the guttering on the dusty top of the stone walls. These may have been in use for many years as the birds are very faithful to their nest-sites and return each year in early May. They can live for at least 16 years. Unfortunately some of these sites become obstructed when houses are renovated and modern buildings offer few opportunities for access.

The one-year-old birds return from Africa and join the mature adults in the area where they fledged. If they are not high up feeding they often fly round learning the territory. By their second year they may start to look for nest sites and attempt to "land" against a wall where they cling on inspecting sites before dropping away to try again.

Swifts spend their life on the wing feeding on insects and sleep at heights up to 10,000 feet where half their brain shuts down for a time.

For several years now a small group of people in the village have been putting swift nest boxes high up on houses to provide new sites. Our colony is growing and the birds searching for a place like to be in the area that they know. We estimate that in 2021 our boxes alone produced at least 24 chicks (2 per nest is normal). This is in addition to the chicks hatching from "traditional" sites.

We are going to be putting up more boxes and would be pleased to advise anyone who would like to be involved or might have a suitable wall.

It is quite likely that houses where swifts have already been seen over flying could be successful in one or two years. Boxes seem to work best on North or East facing sites, they need to be about 15 ft. or 4-5 metres high.

Its also a good idea to place two boxes next to each other because they really are sociable. Swifts normally do not make a mess below their nest (unlike house martins or starlings). The boxes that we have found to work are £20 each and we will try to offer help fitting them.

**Dave Ramsey 07977099289**  
[ramsey.dw.thorner@btinternet.com](mailto:ramsey.dw.thorner@btinternet.com)



## THORNER UKULELES

**Do you play ukulele, or are you tempted to give it a go?**

The ladies and gents of ThornerUkuleles meet Thursdays 7-00 to 9-00 pm in the small hall of the Victory Hall. There's a relaxed atmosphere with a wide ranging repertoire - something for everyone. We occasionally play for a gig or a concert, but it's mainly simply for relaxation and simply the fun of playing and singing.

We welcome new members. Come along to the Victory Hall and you can observe if you're apprehensive, or you can join in straightaway - we could even loan you an instrument to get started, if you'd like some advice and guidance before purchasing.

**More info from Dave Stainthorpe - [dave@cyclesense.icloud.com](mailto:dave@cyclesense.icloud.com) or 07988 496567 or John Calvert - [calvert.john.jc@gmail.com](mailto:calvert.john.jc@gmail.com) 2893035**

## THORNER TREES GROUP This year's success and next year's plans



### Millennium Green - Wildflowers

The sowing of 15 varieties of wildflower seeds on one large and two small seed beds has been a widely acclaimed success – bringing colour, interest and wildlife onto Millennium Green. We have now cut the flower stalks and are currently allowing seed to fall to the ground to repeat the spectacular show again next summer in the same locations.



### Millennium Green - Planting Update 2021

Thorner Trees Group wish to thank all those residents who responded this summer to the survey and proposals for planting native trees and shrubs on Millennium Green. Those people told us they would like to see small trees, and the most popular choices were: Rowan and Crab Apple trees. They also preferred small to medium sized shrubs such as: Dogwood, Common Gorse, Burnet Rose, and Hibiscus. All these will offer great support to native wildlife as well as enhancing the appearance of Millennium Green.

Locations for two Crab Apple and two Rowan Trees have been agreed with Thorner Parish Council and planting will commence this Autumn. We have been careful to respect the wishes of residents to not obstruct views across the Green and be respectful of distances from properties, whilst also leaving the wider space open for events and play. We will plant 30 shrubs in the cleared bed on the Church side.

**If you wish to help with tree or shrub planting then please email [ThornerTrees@gmx.co.uk](mailto:ThornerTrees@gmx.co.uk)**

Thorner Trees Group wishes to extend our thanks to Thorner Community Fund for funding this tree and shrub planting project.

Several comments from our survey expressed concern over the maintenance of existing shrubs and plants on the Millennium Green, and these have been passed on to our partners in the Thorner Parish Council Maintenance Working Group, who kindly volunteer to keep our planted spaces in order.

### A FREE Tree for Every Home 2022

We are currently developing plans for a new project to offer a free 'Tree for Every Home' in Thorner. If you would be interested in receiving a free tree or large wildlife-friendly shrub for your garden then please express your interest by emailing [ThornerTrees@gmx.co.uk](mailto:ThornerTrees@gmx.co.uk) or calling Claire Evans on 07740338616. Alternatively, please complete the form via this QR code. We will then contact you in due course with further information.



## THORNER HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Following the Annual Dinner on 27th October we announce our second event of the year after lockdown.

On Wed 24th November we present Chris Cade giving his presentation of "A Christmas Carol".

The bar is open from 7pm and Chris will perform from 7-30pm. Mince pies and mulled wine is included in the ticket price of £5 at the interval.

*Graham Castle*



# ST PETER'S CHURCH

## Recruitment of a new Rector

The process of appointing a new Rector following Andy Nicholson's move to a new job in September should be nearing completion. The closing date for applications has passed and interviews will take place early in November. It therefore seems possible that someone will start in the role as early as February 2022.

## Weekly services

Weekly services have resumed, taking place every Sunday at 9.15am with coffee served afterwards in the Parish Centre. The service on the second Sunday of each month is an All Age Worship service to which families are particularly welcome. Services on other Sundays services are either Communion or Morning Prayer.

## Christmas services

We are delighted to have received an offer from the Wilbys to lead the Carol Service on Sunday 19 December at 7pm, Wendy leading the service and Phil playing the organ. Many will know Phil and Wendy from the period in the

1970s and 80s when they lived in the village. Phil's contribution to the musical life of the village, both in church and more widely, was immense. We look forward to another memorable musical celebration and hope to see many local people for this traditional service of readings and carols.

The Christingle service this year will be combined with the All Ages Worship service in December, and will take place on Sunday 12 December at 9.15am. This is always well attended by families of children at the school. They will be very welcome this year and we hope that many will join us for this traditional start to Christmas. There will also be a Crib Service on Christmas Eve (start time to be advertised) to which all young families will be very welcome.

It will not be possible this year to hold a midnight service on Christmas Eve in Thorner because of the vacancy, but there will be a service at All Saints' Church in Barwick, starting at 10pm. On Christmas Day there will be an

All Age communion service in Thorner. The start time of the service will be advertised nearer the time.

## Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair in the Parish Centre resumes this year, taking place between 12 and 3pm on Saturday 4 December. As usual, a wide range of items as well as refreshments will be on sale. It is always an enjoyable event and we look forward to seeing you there.

*Simon Belcher*



## NEWS FROM THORNER VICTORY HALL

In addition to our regular classes which are now 'back to normal', we are thrilled to announce the return of live music at the hall!

**A NIGHT TO REMEMBER DAVID WALMSLEY. FRIDAY 26th NOVEMBER 7:30pm**

Come and join us to celebrate the life of the late David Walmsley, lifelong Thorner resident & Victory Hall supporter.

We are looking forward to a fantastic evening of live music from Citizen Smith, a 4-piece covers band. Their music combines an eclectic mix of modern day pop/rock, with some classic rock, punk, indie and a bit of banter! David enjoyed the band's lively set when they performed at Thorner Beer Festival.

All proceeds from the evening will be donated to JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation). David was committed to supporting JDRF after his youngest grandson was diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes.

Tickets are just £10 and will be available at [www.thornervictoryhall.com/buy-tickets](http://www.thornervictoryhall.com/buy-tickets) from Thorner's Postbox Deli, or by calling 01132892733.

For more about the band or the charity:

[www.citizensmithband.co.uk](http://www.citizensmithband.co.uk) - [www.jdrf.org.uk](http://www.jdrf.org.uk)

*TVH Trustees*



\\ Citizen Smith  
Thorner Beer Festival, 2018 \\

# A FUN FILLED SUMMER OF CAMPS AND COMPETITIONS AT THORNER TENNIS CLUB

September marked a Thorner Tennis Club Tournament weekend. The Terry Smith Memorial Mixed Doubles Ladder Finals took place along with junior intra-club matches for each age group. It was amazing to have such a busy and bustling atmosphere at the club with all the spectators and there were some fantastic, competitive matches on display. Our Mini Green and Full Ball teams have also been involved in multiple team matches recently against Bardsey Tennis Club and Whitkirk Tennis Club. The matches have been great learning experiences for the players and it has been brilliant to watch the players put into practice aspects learned during coaching sessions and grow in confidence on the match court.

The summer saw our biggest kid camp turn out. Children between the ages 4 and 13 enjoyed taking part in a variety of fun activities to improve their hand-eye coordination and tennis skills. As a result new winter camps are taking place over half term.

Our coaching programme caters for children aged 3+ and adults and runs throughout the winter. Whether you are a beginner with no prior experience of playing tennis, to a more experienced, regular player, there are sessions to suit every level. For those who are more looking for a good run around, cardio tennis and kids cardio session are a great fit as well.

**For any coaching enquiries please contact Nic Tweedy at [n.tweedy97@gmail.com](mailto:n.tweedy97@gmail.com)**



# THORNER COMMUNITY FUND (TCF) GRANT 2021

Central and Local Governments have their own policies and schemes to help ensure climate change targets are met. They also have grants available to landowners, farmers, businesses and householders to support progress. But on top of this, individuals, households and groups at local community level can all play an additional part. Let's ensure Thorner is doing more than its bit for the environment: the Climate Emergency needs urgent action.

We know there are already examples of good work being done in our community but there is a lot more to be done. Thorner Community Fund would like to make grant awards to enable our village to deliver real change on this front. Here are some ideas and examples that may inspire you to take an activity forward. But feel free to put other proposals to us.

- Plant a tree for every resident in the village within the next year.
- Turn Thorner into a virtual orchard by planting fruit trees and fruit bushes across the village in shared spaces, accessible unused areas as well as in gardens.
- Reduce waste and improve the recycling opportunities in the village by installing more and more wide-ranging recycling points.
- Reduce food miles by buying locally and having more allotments available.
- Provide composting bins and water butts for all households willing to utilise them.
- Run a village-wide repair shop, along with a tool and equipment sharing scheme.
- Create a wetland area that would not only be a haven for birds and other wildlife but also help to protect our village from flooding.
- Plant more hedgerows, trees and flowers to create enhanced wildlife habitats, for hedgehogs, bees, frogs, birds, insects, in many sites around the village.
- Install off-road community charging points to encourage residents, customers, suppliers and taxis to use electric vehicles knowing they can come to Thorner without fear of running out of charge.
- Other initiatives to reduce carbon emissions – more permissive footpaths, provision of e-bikes, promote public transport, more off-road parking etc.
- Bulk-buy a village stock of LED bulbs to enable Thorner to have a high proportion of low energy lighting within a year.

You will recall that from last year onwards the allocation of grant funding was re-focused to ensure emphasis on the environment and climate change.

**Whether you are an individual, a household, a village group (formal or informal), a farmer or a business wanting to make a contribution to Thorner's efforts towards the challenge of climate change, we'd love to hear from you.**

As well as funding the projects' costs we will consider financial awards to any groups which make a significant contribution to the delivery of a successful programme to address the climate change agenda.

If you want to contact us, please write to the TCF email address at the bottom of this message. Include your telephone number if you would like to be contacted by phone. We are happy to talk through a proposal ahead of you completing an application.

Once you have a bid ready, send it to the TCF email on the official form, which is available by contacting the TCF email address or see full details of the 2021 grant on the Thorner Village website -

[www.thornervillage.org.uk/2021/06/thorner-community-fund-grant-june-2021](http://www.thornervillage.org.uk/2021/06/thorner-community-fund-grant-june-2021)

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