

THORNER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 01 March 2022.

Present;

Cllrs; T.Mycock (Vice Chair), D.Gibbins, S.Llewellyn, S.Marshall, A.Scott and S.Wood

Others; 3 members of the public were in attendance.
Clerk to the Council; Barry Riley.

In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair was appointed to Chair the meeting.

1.Apologies.

Cllrs: M.Harrison (Chair), A.Lobley and A.Walmsley.
Apologies were accepted.

2.Ethical Code.

No interests were disclosed.

3.Representations.

- a) No representations from the public.
- b) There was no person wishing to record the meeting.
- c) No comments received

4.Confidentiality.

Excluding agenda item 17; there were no agenda items requiring exclusion of the public or press.

5.Police.

Link for the Police web site-

<https://www.police.uk/your-area/west-yorkshire-police/leeds-north-east/>

Cllr D.Gibbins commented on her dissatisfaction with using the web site, it was considered that attendance at the Police PACT meetings was more beneficial.

6.Minutes.

The minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting, were approved and signed by the Chair of the meeting..

7.To note planning applications received.

Members duly noted the applications received, further consideration would be given under agenda item 9.

8.Financial Matters.

8.1 Members were circulated with a list of payments for March 2022;

Resolved: that the following be approved and passed for payment:

<u>Method;</u>	<u>Payee;</u>	<u>Details;</u>	<u>£ Amount;</u>
SO	B.Riley	Salary	667.60
DD	Nest	Pension	29.59

TOTAL £679.19

8.2 Members were in agreement with the content of the monthly budget monitor and bank reconciliation report for appropriate governance.

8.3 It was agreed that a decision concerning the approval of the budget for the new financial year, would be discussed at the next meeting.

8.4 Having given due consideration to the request to provide bunting for the Queens Platinum Jubilee, members agreed to do so. It was agreed that the provision of toilets for the events planned (see minute 13.), would also be funded to a value of £500.

8.5 Members duly noted some of the latest costings for the Gala.

9. To receive reports from the following Working Party

Planning –

Members had received the document prepared for them and discussed the content. Members were required to decide on the following;

To object to application 21/10308/FU, the demolition of an existing garage and erection of replacement at 48 Main Street, and two new detached dwellings on land to rear 48 Main Street. It was agreed to object using the information provided in the report.

Playground and Fitness Equipment –

No report received.

It was agreed that an update concerning funding for the new playground would be discussed at the next meeting. The Clerk would request that Cllr Lobley provide a costings spread sheet detailing funding requests made and received.

Maintenance -

Members had received the document prepared for them and discussed the content. Members were required to decide on the following;

In addition to the purchase of a tree previously agreed, the purchase of a tree and plaque in support of the Queens Green Canopy. It was agreed.

Approval of Grass Cutting schedule to enable request for tenders. It was agreed that amendments were needed, it would then be re-drafted and circulated again for agreement to be reached.

The Parish Council to acknowledge and thank the contribution made by Lee Cawood and Andrew Culloden of The Arium. It was agreed.

To have a warranty on the flagpole or pay for parts as and when needed. It was agreed to pay for parts as and when needed.

To organise a flag service. It was agreed.

Acceptance of the two sentences for the bee pollinators at the request of Ward Councillor Robinson. It was agreed.

Gardens –

No report received.

Finance –

No report received.

Highways –

Members had received the document prepared for them and discussed the content.

Newsletter –

No report received.

10. Matters arising from previous minutes.

Following information circulated prior to the meeting, it was noted that funding for improvements to the Ford had been granted by Leeds CC for the benefit of Westfield Lane residents.

Following the information provided it was agreed to purchase the Platinum Jubilee Mugs that would be provided to the school children.

11. Neighbourhood Plan.

A meeting of the Steering Group was to be arranged to progress matters.

12. To consider any new correspondence received and decide action where necessary.

Nothing to be considered.

13.To receive reports from outside bodies.

Members were provided with details from the preliminary programme for the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations from 02 to 05 June. On Thursday the event starts with a afternoon tea with music in the Parish Centre and finishing with a celebratory peal of bells. On Friday events include a picnic on Millennium Green, a talent show and donkey rides. There is a Gala on Saturday, fancy dress and the School are to organise a Platinum King and Queen competition. The event culminates on Sunday with Church Services and a Bowling Club Open Day.

Cllr S.Marshall had agreed to meet the Leeds CC Housing Officer Andy Kryover, (see minute 9. February), to facilitate liaison with the Tenants' Association and the Outer NE Leeds Housing Advisory Panel.

14.To receive a report from the Clerk or Councillors, on any new or ongoing minor matters.

Members discussed whether to replace the working parties with its predecessor the action plan.

Cllr D.Gibbins provided members with the reasons to support replacing them, such as the reports produced by the working parties contained too much information and the meetings did not allow for the inclusion of all members.

Cllr S.Marshall also supported a return to the action plan.

Cllr T.Mycock provided information on why the action plan was initially replaced.

Cllr S,Wood commented that the action plan would not be able to cope with the workload.

Cllr A.Scott commented that the Working Parties did work.

Cllr S.Llewellyn mentioned that as a result of having the Maintenance Working Party, good relationships had been developed with various groups, and she was reluctant to change the present format.

It was agreed to retain the Working Parties for the next six months and then review a return to an action plan.

In view of this decision the proposed revision of the Working Party policy (which had been circulated to members), would be an agenda item for the next meeting, Cllr S,Wood said that he could not agree to the proposed revision, the Clerk commented that acceptance of the Working Party policy would be a Council decision and if agreed by members, then that would be the adopted policy and that was democracy. Cllr S.Wood offered further comment stating he would not be happy with that decision.

15.To notify the Clerk of matters for inclusion on the next Agenda.

To consider whether to purchase a marquee or not to.

16.Date of next meeting.

Resolved; that the next Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday 05 April 2022 in the Over 60's Bungalow, Main Street, Thorner.

17.Matters to be discussed at the exclusion of the public and press.

No matters discussed.

Signed.....
Chair Thorner Parish Council

Date.....