

THORNER PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 06 August 2019.

Present;

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

Others; 18 members of the public were in attendance for parts of the meeting.
which included representatives from Festival Republic.
Police Officer Ian McKelvie from N.E. Leeds NPT.
Clerk to the Council; Barry Riley.

a, Members discussed the co-option of the two candidates who had applied for the vacant position, it was agreed that their presentations would be heard at a later date.

1.Apologies.

District Cllr S.Firth

Cllrs: R.Clements and J.Falk.

2.Ethical Code.

No interests were disclosed.

3.Representations.

a) A resident (a tenant farmer), stated that clearance work had been undertaken on the Scarborough Walk footpath without permission being sought from him or the landowner Mexborough Estates.

i) Representatives from Festival Republic were in attendance to answer questions raised by all those in attendance such as; any licence changes, traffic arrangements and the issuing of resident passes. A request to hold a post meeting was agreed.

ii) Representation was made by residents of Butts Garth concerning the recent heavy rains that had resulted in flooding occurring outside their premises. Leeds CC and Yorkshire Water had been contacted to seek a resolution to a problem that had been ongoing for a number of years.

iii) Residents of Moat End stated that concerns previously raised about the playground and fitness equipment area were still prevalent. Cllr S.Marshall provided residents with information on what the current Parish Council had done and would be doing to address such concerns.

iv) Residents from Moat End asked when a tree on Millennium Green (that was adjacent to their property) would be removed, Cllr T.Mycock stated he was making arrangements for its removal.

b) There was no person wishing to record the meeting.

c) Cllr S.Firth had provided members with an update on matters previously discussed via email due to him not being able to attend.

4.Confidentiality.

There were no agenda items requiring exclusion of the public or press.

5.Police.

Members had been sent the latest crime report, there was one incident which involved criminal damage to 200 hay bales on Skeltons Lane (it was noted this was outside the

Thorner boundary.

6.Minutes.

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

7.Planning applications.

Members duly noted and commented on the Planning Enforcement case number 19/00461/NCP3 concerning the non compliance for an extension approved under 16/03623/FU for The Orchard, Butts Garth. The developer has been advised to cease work and to either take steps to comply with the approved details or submit a planning application for the development as built.

The Clerk informed members that an application had been posted to him via the Sub Station address, following discussion it was agreed to submit an objection.

8.Financial Matters.

8.1 Members were circulated with a list of invoices for payment for August 2019,

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

<u>Cheque Number;</u>	<u>Payee;</u>	<u>Details;</u>	<u>£ Amount;</u>
200073	Remembrd Tg	Tommy	750.00
200074	G.Hall	Newsletter	200.00
200075	GT Printing	Newsletter	380.00
200076	Post Office	Stamps	17.36
200077	HMRC	Income Tax	301.26
200079	HMRC	Income Tax	677.78
200078	B.Riley	Salary	417.66
200080	J.Marsland	Benches	28.92
200082	Scout Group	Toilets	384.00
DD	Npower	Electric	98.16
DD	Nest	Pension	35.14
200081	BT	Phone	95.97
TOTAL			<u>£3386.25</u>

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

8.3 Following a review undertaken by the Finance Working Party, it was agreed to adopt the draft Financial Regulations 2019.

9.To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary;

9.1 Highways – Cllr S. Marshall commented on the information received from District Cllr S.Firth concerning the 20mph zone proposals to be introduced in Thorner and surrounding villages. The programme of work was a result of a deputation to Leeds CC by the ‘20 plenty’, road safety campaign group.

Comment was also made about the ongoing problem of parking on Stead Lane and the effect that the introduction of a TRO (Traffic Regulation Order), would have.

10.Village Maintenance

Members had been circulated with the minutes from the Maintenance Team meeting held on

23 July, detailing a number of items which were discussed further by members, with some items identified for action by the designated lead and some items for information only. With regard to the appearance of the Village Shop, Cllr D.Gibbins had contacted the Co-Op to ascertain their interest in providing a service, but it was not of interest to them. Members were awaiting information from Cllr S,Firth with regard to ownership, but it was thought it was privately owned.

With regard to the integrity of the foundation of the telephone box which was resulting in it leaning, Cllr M.Harrison voiced his concerns and recommended that action be taken to rectify the problem. In accordance with Standing Orders paragraph 10. members voted as follows; For 1, Against 5, to take action to rectify the lean. It would be monitored instead. It was further agreed that a budget of £1000 be allocated to bring the project to fruition. With regard to concerns about road signs not being visible along Carr Lane, the tenant farmer (in attendance), stated he was getting a contractor to do the work.

10.1 Gardens – Nothing further discussed.

10.2 Grass Cutting - Nothing further discussed.

10.3 Boules Shelter - Nothing further discussed.

10.4 Playground and Fitness Equipment - Nothing further discussed.

10.5 Sub Station - Nothing further discussed.

11.Neighbourhood Plan.

The next meeting of the Steering Group would take place on 07 August.

12.Youth Fund

No enquiries received.

13. Newsletter.

Discussion would take place at the next meeting concerning the October newsletter.

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

Members duly noted the content of the information received in particular Note 1;

Cllr S.Wood had responded to the Chair of the Leeds Local Access Forum concerning changes to be introduced which may affect potential rights of way in Thorner.

Cllr M.Harrison was given the documentation from Pinsent Masons Solicitors confirming the Side Roads Order for the ELOR. He would circulate to other members in due course.

Contact had been made with Strutt and Parker (agents for Mexborough Estate), about the planned Alpha Festival at Nova Scotia Farm 14/15 September, it was confirmed that permission would be needed from Mexborough Estate for it to take place,

15.To receive reports from outside bodies.

ELOR – (see correspondence).

Elmet Greenway Group - Nothing to report.

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

The August report was circulated to members.

It was agreed to discuss the following points at the next meeting;

Use of land at the side of the Sub Station to be used for parking to alleviate the congestion in Butts Garth.

Vehicles parking on the main Village Green.

Sale of Church Hill land

Thorner Community Fund communication and consultation notification.

Comment was made about the placing of a mobile home on the site of the former telephone exchange near the junction of Wetherby Road/Coal Road. The Clerk would report the matter to Leeds CC Planning Enforcement.

Cllr M.Harrison commented on the meeting attended by Cllrs S.Marshall and S.Wood with Strutt and Parker, he reiterated previous comments circulated to members, that no decision had been made (or recorded), where such a meeting was agreed and that there had been a conflict of interests as the Quarry Group's position has been presented as the Parish Council's at a meeting where matters affecting the whole village have also been discussed and were now being reported back to members as if they were one and the same. Cllr S. Marshall commented that he had taken a decision in his capacity as Chairman, to attend the meeting with the Vice Chair, Cllr S.Wood.

17.To consider progress on items on the Action Plan and approve appropriate action.

Members were provided with the updated schedule

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

Discuss the cost to remove the fitness equipment and re-site it.

19.Date of next meeting.

Resolved; that the next meeting will be on Tuesday 03 September 2019 in the Over 60's Bungalow, Main Street, Thorner.

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

Nothing to discuss

Signed

Chair Thorner Parish Council

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