

**THORNER PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 04 February 2020.**

**Present;**

Cllrs; S.Wood (Chair), J.Falk, D.Gibbins, M.Harrison, S.Llewellyn, T.Mycock and A.Scott.

Others; 2 members of the public were in attendance for parts of the meeting.  
District Councillor S.Firth.  
Clerk to the Council; Barry Riley.

In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair Cllr S. Wood was appointed Chair for the meeting.

**1.Apologies.**

Cllrs: R.Clements and S.Marshall.

**2.Ethical Code.**

No interests were disclosed.

**3.Representations.**

- a) No representations received.
- b) There was no person wishing to record the meeting.
- c) Cllr S.Firth informed members that he was unable to provide a further update on matters previously discussed.

Cllr A.Scott thanked him for arranging white lines to be placed on Butts Garth.  
Cllr S.Firth confirmed that he would be responding to residents of Westfield Lane concerning unresolved problems with the Ford (see minute 3.c) Sept 19), but a lack of funding from Leeds CC would prohibit progress on any improvements. Cllr S.Wood commented that the lack of funds to resolve the problem was not acceptable.

**4.Confidentiality.**

Excluding agenda item 18; there were no agenda items requiring exclusion of the public or press.

**5. Police**

No report received.

Cllr S.Wood commented on the placing of cameras on Main Street to identify culprits committing crime, he was aware a Parish Council elsewhere had received funding for this purpose, further enquiries would be made with PCSO Nottingham.

**6.Minutes.**

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

**7.Planning applications.**

No objections were raised against the applications received.

**8.Financial Matters.**

8.1 Members were circulated with a list of payments for January 2020;

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

<u>Cheque Number;</u>	<u>Payee;</u>	<u>Details;</u>	<u>£ Amount;</u>
200104	Visct Pllngtn	Notice Board	20.00
200105	Visct Pllngtn	Garden	100.00
200106	Playscheme	Equipment	450.00
200107	Leeds CC	Election	1597.13
200108	BT	Telephone	100.57
200109	PSH	Mllmn Gdns	600.00
200110	Screwfix	Paint	9.98
SO	B.Riley	Salary	433.44
DD	Nest	Pension	35.14
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b><u>£3226.26</u></b>

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

8.3 Members agreed to the precept demand of £29600.

8.4 Members agreed to adopt both the Financial Regulations and Financial Risk Assessment.

8.5 Following discussion members agreed to purchase any goods that were required for VE Day rather than make a contribution to any events or activities.

8.6 Having noted that there was a budget agreed for the provision of training, members were encouraged to attend any course that was of interest.

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

9.1 Highways - Cllr J.Falk commented that a meeting was due soon (see minute 9.1 Jan).

### **10.Village Maintenance**

Members had been circulated with the minutes from the Maintenance Team meeting held on 30 December, 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. In particular,

The date for the Village Tidy was confirmed for Saturday 21 March.

Quotes for Phase 2 for work on the Millennium Green had been received, the Maintenance Working Party would recommend who should be chosen to do the work.

It was agreed to replace the benches on Millennium Green.

Contact had been made with the Thorner Residents Association who would be making an application for funding with District Cllr S.Firth to provide funding to progress the installation of a Defibrillator in the Telephone Box.

10.1 Gardens - The Clerk informed members that only one tenant had failed to pay the rent.

10.2 Grass Cutting - Nothing to report

10.3 Boules Shelter – Work would commence the following week.

10.4 Playground and Fitness Equipment - Nothing to report

10.5 Sub Station - Cllr M.Harrison provided an explanation for why the bonfire equipment had been stored there, he would make arrangements for having it removed.

Comment was made about the lack of control on who had access.

### **11.Neighbourhood Plan.**

Following the recent meeting the draft was nearing completion.

**12. Newsletter.**

Members reviewed the current procedure for the production and editing of the newsletter and agreed the future schedule. Further discussion took place on whether business advertising (articles /directory), should be allowed, it was agreed that this would cease subject to any discretion allowed by the editors.

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

Members duly noted the content of the information received in particular; Note 1; Following discussion, agreement was reached on a response that would be sent by the Clerk to the resident concerning the removal of the boulders and the replacement of the Trim Trail. The future use of the Parish Council owned land would be discussed further by the Maintenance Working Party. It was confirmed that the ‘wash up’ meeting with Festival Republic would take place at 3pm on 03 March at Bramham House, to address problems from last year’s festival but to also confirm arrangements for this year, members were encouraged to forward any concerns for discussion.

**14.To receive reports from outside bodies.**

ELOR - The Chair and Vice Chair had met with Balfour Beatty, they were informed that work had commenced on a section of the Ring Road and it was hoped that disruption to traffic would be kept to a minimum. Thorner Greenway Group - Nothing to report. Thorner Conservation Group - Cllr S.Wood asked members to contact him if they had anything to suggest.

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

It was agreed that permission be granted to the Scout Group to use the Millennium Green and power supply for the next Village Fun Day on Saturday 20th June. Members were reminded that when wanting to use the Over 60’s Bungalow, that they should adhere to procedure and confirm the booking with Janet Foster. The Clerk confirmed he would be contacting the Victory Hall to confirm arrangements for the Annual Parish meeting for the 04 May. Following discussion it was agreed that an invitation be sent to Balfour Beatty to provide a presentation.

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

The sale of affordable housing on Sedggarth.

**17.Date of next meeting.**

**Resolved;** that the next meeting will be on Tuesday 03 March 2020 in the Over 60’s Bungalow, Main Street, Thorner.

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

No matters discussed.

Signed .....  
Chair Thorner Parish Council

Date.....