

## **THORNER PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 07 July 2020.**

#### **Present;**

Cllrs; S.Marshall (Chair), S.Wood (Vice Chair), R.Clements, D.Gibbins, M.Harrison, S.Llewellyn (remotely), T.Mycock and A.Scott.

Others; 5 members of the public were in attendance for parts of the meeting.  
Clerk to the Council; Barry Riley.

#### **1.Apologies.**

District Councillor S.Firth attempted to join the meeting remotely but was unable to.

#### **2.Ethical Code.**

No interests were disclosed.

#### **3.Representations.**

a) A member of the public made a representation about continued problems being experienced by residents of Moat End (see agenda item 3. Nov 19.). Cllr Marshall asked if the bushes had served as a semi effective visual and noise barrier between their properties and the adult fitness equipment and playground, he was informed they had but he still wanted the fitness equipment removed, Cllr S.Marshall stated that if agreement could be reached on moving the equipment, there would be a cost involved and, that cost would have to be sought from residents. He asked that they consider this proposal and reach agreement.

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

c) No comments received

#### **4.Confidentiality.**

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

#### **5.Police.**

Members had been sent the crime report for June 2020.

There were two crimes recorded, one being a burglary from Kirkfield Lane and the other the theft of a pedal cycle from Milner Lane.

#### **6.Minutes.**

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

#### **7.Planning applications.**

No objections were raised against the applications received.

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#### **8.Financial Matters.**

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

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

<u>Cheque Number;</u>	<u>Payee;</u>	<u>Details;</u>	<u>£ Amount;</u>
SO	B.Riley	Salary	444.44
DD	Nest	Pension	29.59
BACS	BTelecom	Phone	37.37

200111	YLCA	Training	48.00
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>£ 559.40</u></b>

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

8.3 It was agreed that the Clerk be paid the current home working allowance.

8.4 Members discussed the detailed quote received from resident David Llewellyn for the provision of Xmas Trees for 2020. It was agreed to accept the quote for the lights provision on Main Street but not for the supply and planting of a large tree (4 metres), which was in excess of £1500, It was agreed that the existing arrangement for the supply of an annual Xmas Tree for Millennium Green continue.

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

9.1 Highways – A resident had contacted Cllr S.Marshall concerning a traffic accident on Sandhills. The resident had CCTV footage of the car travelling in excess of the 30 mph speed limit, he wanted traffic calming measures to be introduced.

The Highway Working Party would arrange to discuss the matter further on Tuesday 14 July 2020, anyone else willing to attend would be welcomed.

### **10.Village Maintenance**

Members had been circulated with the minutes from the Maintenance Team meeting held on 24 June, 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.

10.1 Playground and Fitness Equipment – Members had been circulated with a report from the designated lead for the above, Cllr M.Harrison, regarding the playground and measures to put in place for reopening for their consideration. Cllr M.Harrison was thanked for the work undertaken in producing a detailed and comprehensive report.

Following discussion, it was proposed as follows, that the playground would remain closed as safeguarding measures could not be guaranteed, the swings would be tied together to avoid them being used by anyone not observing the closure, the purchase of information signage and an independent inspection of the existing wet pour surface would be arranged following the recent accident that had occurred.

A vote was taken resulting in, For; 5 Against; 3, to the above proposals.

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

Matters were progressing, the draft had been sent to Leeds CC to enable consultation to take place between them and the Steering Group.

### **12. Newsletter.**

It was agreed to produce a newsletter for August. The Clerk was asked to request articles following the agreed procedure.

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

Members duly noted the content of the information received;

It was noted that the resident had received two responses from Leeds CC and a letter from the local MP Alec Shelbrooke, concerning the condition of 43 Kirkfield Lane. It was considered there was little else within the Parish Council's authority that could be done. The Clerk would respond to the resident.

Further to minute 10.1, the Clerk would respond to the resident concerning the accident in the playground.

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

ELOR – Comment was made about when Thorner Lane would be closed, it was thought that this may occur before the new road system was available to use.

Thorner Greenway Group – Cllr S.Wood reminded members that this was an attempt to open up a cycling/walking route starting in Thorner along the disused railway line. He would inform members if there was any change to the current situation.

Thorner Conservation Group – Members were informed that a decision on funding (see agenda item 14. March 20), had not yet been confirmed.

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

Cllr S.Wood provided members with an update on the Carr Lane footpath diversion (see agenda item 15. March 20). Members had been provided with a report detailing the actions needed and the potential costs. As the contribution required from the Parish Council was undefined and was subject to applications to potential grant sources for further contributions to the project, any decision would be deferred till the actual cost was known.

Following discussion it was agreed that signage be placed at the fitness equipment concerning usage (see also minute 10.1).

Members agreed that the zip wire would be locked again until the overhanging branches of the adjacent graveyard tree had been addressed.

Members discussed the report received concerning children on the pathway by the playground using their own makeshift ramp for their bikes and scooters, which was making it difficult to walk along. Although such practices were not allowed, it would be difficult for the Parish Council to introduce measures to stop this practice.

Cllr M.Harrison suggested an action group be formed to engage with the youth of the village.

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

No notifications received.

**17.Date of next meeting.**

**Resolved;** that the next meeting would be on Tuesday 04 August 2020, which may be actual or remotely.

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

No matters discussed.

Signed .....  
Chair Thorner Parish Council

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