

Thornton in Lonsdale Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting

Monday 4th September 2017

Westhouse Village Hall

Prior to the meeting opening, the members of the public were invited to raise any points of concern or information. The following issues were addressed.

On going problems with speeding traffic in Thornton. Councillor Townley advised that he had spoken to the local police about this matter.

Traffic speeds on the A65 and increased traffic flow in the area of Country Harvest. The Clerk will be submitting reports of community concern to 95 Alive – the partnership responsible for road safety in North Yorkshire. He had submitted reports to Craven District Council reference the stop sign on at the junction of the A65/ Smithy Lane (he was personally aware that a site visit had taken place), the grit bin at Castle View and the general state of road markings on the A65.

Poor communication between Craven District Council Planning and local residents.

The need to keep all Parish Council noticeboards up to date. Councillor Hunter will co-ordinate the distribution of information.

1. Attendance.

The meeting formally opened at 19.17hrs.

Present: Chairperson Hunter, Councillors Ramwell, Easterby and Townley. The Parish Clerk and eight members of the public were present. Apologies were received from Councillor Lund who was unable to attend due to ill health.

2. Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of Ordinary Meeting held on 10th July 2017. Councillor Townley proposed and Councillor Ramwell seconded that the minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting. All were in favour. The Chairperson signed the minutes.

4. Matters Arising.

All matters had been addressed in the discussions prior to the formal opening of the meeting.

5. Planning.

New Applications.

Lodge Bank Cottage window replacements– no objections.

Country Harvest storage container – concern about the visual impact was expressed. The Clerk will respond accordingly.

Approved.

Thornbrook Caravan Park – noted.

Bideber Mill – noted.

6. Finance.

The Parish Clerk provided an update. Project expenditure was forecast for the new noticeboards and the replacement bench at the view point. The Clerk will obtain details of noticeboards made from reconstituted materials similar to the noticeboard outside Westhouse Village Hall.

The Clerk advised that if the Councillors so desired it was time to order (by way of donation) a Royal British Legion wreath for the service of remembrance. The various styles of wreath were considered. Councillor Townley proposed and Councillor Easterby seconded that a £17 wreath be obtained with a further donation of £33 added making a total donation of £50. All were in agreement. The Clerk will order the wreath for delivery to Councillor Hunter.

7. Project Updates.

“Save a Life.” The defibrillators and boxes were now fitted and operational. The training will be rolled out to public volunteers including the staff of local businesses.

The Clerk gave a financial update. He reported that including the £1,000 contribution from the Parish Council, the Save a Life balance stood at £149.08. He reported that he had obtained a quote of £31 to insure the defibrillators on the Parish Council insurance policy. The Parish Council would have to adopt the defibrillators to do so. Councillor Easterby proposed that the defibrillators be adopted and insured by the Parish Council, this was seconded by Councillor Ramwell. All were in favour. The Clerk will arrange insurance cover.

B4RN. The scheme has still not reached the south side of the A65. The final route to Ramwell’s fields has not been agreed and therefore a completion date cannot be given.

Community Emergency Plan. Councillor Townley had previously submitted a draft plan to Councillor Hunter. Councillor Townley was tasked with circulating copies to the other councillors and the Clerk for consideration. The plan would be a substantive agenda item at the December 2017 meeting. Emergency sand bags are stored at the rear of the village hall. The Clerk was tasked with ordering a further 60 sand bags from Craven District Council.

8. Traffic Problems in Thornton.

Fully discussed prior to the meeting. The Clerk will invite a representative from the local police and Craven District Councillor David Ireton to attend a future meeting. The Clerk will submit “Community Concern” reports to the 95 Alive road safety partnership.

9. Any Other Business.

There being no other business, the Chairperson thanked the members of the public for their attendance. The meeting closed at 20.38hrs.

Date of Next Ordinary Meeting: 7pm Monday 30th October 2017 at Westhouse Village Hall.

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