

THORNTON LE DALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for Parish Council Meeting No 6
Held Tuesday 7th May 2013 at 7-30 pm in the Hill Memorial Institute

PRESENT

The meeting opened at 1930 hrs with Councillors P Mills, G Acomb, A Monkhouse, R Allanson, J Garbutt, D Porter, the Clerk M Boden, nine members of the public, Councillor J Sanderson and the press officer Mrs N Baxter.

1 NOTICE OF MEETING

Resolved. That notice of the meeting had been given in accordance with schedule 12 para 10(2) of the Local Government Act, 1972.

2 APOLOGIES

Councillor I Biggins

3 MINUTES

Resolved. That the minutes of the following meeting, as circulated and taken as read, be and are hereby accepted as a true record of the proceedings thereat:-
Full Council Meeting held Tuesday 2nd April 2013

4 REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR.

Due to elections Janet did not have time to prepare a report. The Chairman congratulated her on retaining her seat.

5 PLANNING.

Applicant: Mr S Barker
Address: Aunums View, Westgate, Thornton Le Dale
Application: Construction of a single storey side extension.

The Council did not object to the application but thought that there needed to be adequate off road parking. The Clerk spoke to Parks regarding this matter and they are waiting for the Highways Division to inspect the area prior to any recommendations being made.

Applicant: Brookcove Ltd
Address: Ecco House, Rear of Workshop, Archway Lane, Roxby Road
Application: Alterations to internal layout, amend hipped eastern end of dwelling to gable in stone, amend roof over utility to match pitch of main building and form small hip above garage together with alterations to height of stone below timber boarding.

The Council had concerns regarding the lack of a plan showing the original footprint. The Clerk spoke to Parks regarding this matter and he was informed that the application was a non material amendment to a previous application and therefore would probably be passed and could not be held back until the Council's next meeting.

A building was erected approximately five years ago near to Bucks Farm. One of the requirements of the application being passed was that the owner must shield/hide the areas with trees. This was not carried out and Parks are asking questions regarding this matter.

6 CORRESPONDENCE

22/13 Councillor D Porter investigated various avenues to enable the upkeep of the churchyard to be carried out by local people/companies but to no avail. It was suggested that the caretaker may wish to take this work on. Mr C Olsson thought he may have contacts who might wish to be considered for the contract. He will make a visit to the churchyard and put forward a pro-format of the work to be carried out and will also liaise with the caretaker and discuss the amount of work involved and ascertain if it is possible for the caretaker to carry out this work along with his other duties.

23/13 The Clerk was presented with his Contract of Employment and after a short perusal confirmed his acceptance. The Chairman and Clerk signed the contract. Resolved.

24/13 Further investigation is to be carried out regarding land registered in the name of Thornton Le Dale Parish Council.

25/13 The Council agreed that Thornton le Dale Playing Field Association could book the Village Green for a cake and book stall on 15 June and 13 July from 10-12am.
Resolved.

26/13 The Parish Council agreed that the Scarecrow Committee could use the Green during the Scarecrow Festival from August bank holiday weekend 24th August until Monday 26th August inclusive. The Council pointed out that use of the land in front of the Alms houses does not come under their remit and the Committee should contact the Highways Division regarding this request.
Resolved.

27/13 The Clerk was asked if he had contacted Sanctuary Housing regarding the problems appertaining to water drainage in the ditch running parallel to the western boundary of Aunums Close. It appears to be caused due to the infill of the ditch after the Sanctuary Housing was completed last year. The Clerk wrote a letter in March and asked if they would provide a means of this water to reach the ditch on Westgate. The Clerk has not received a reply to this missive and was asked to contact them again.

7 FINANCE

- 1 Service costs for the clocks in Thornton Le Dale. The Clerk has arranged for a reduction in the cost of servicing the two clocks in the village. This will take effect in 2014.
- 2 Unpaid allotment rents. The Clerk will contact the plot holders to find out what their intentions are.
- 3 The cost of each refill for the salt bins is £75.00 and purchase of the bins is £50 each. The Council informed the Clerk to purchase the bins. Resolved.

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk was asked to contact Parks regarding the Pizza sign. The officer dealing with this matter is presently on vacation but they will respond by next week.

Complaints have been made regarding the paths near to the school being blocked by cars parking on the pavement and verges. A wheelchair user cannot get passed them and has to walk onto the road to get into the school.

The Clerk was asked to write to YORE Waste regarding the disgusting state of the fence and surrounding area of their site. This area is covered in rubbish, plastic bags etc and the Council ask that YORE Waste return the site to an area that is not objectionable to parishioners and visitors.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 4th June 2013 at 1930 hrs in the Hill Memorial Institute.