

THORNTON LE DALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for Parish Council Meeting No 3
Held Tuesday 3rd May 2016 at 7-30 pm in the Hill Memorial Institute

PRESENT

The meeting opened at 1930 hrs with Councillors S Bell (Chairman), J Garbutt (Vice Chairman), G Acomb, S Crabtree, P Charles, M Sanderson, D Porter, M Boden (Clerk) and six members of the public.

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.

1 APOLOGIES

Councillor J Sanderson.

2 To receive reports/presentations from NYCC and RDC

None this month.

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 No 1 held in the Hill Memorial Institute on Tuesday 5th April 2016.

The minutes were proposed by Councillor S Crabtree and seconded by Councillor G Acomb. All Councillors were in favour.

4 Matters Arising From the Minutes

None this month.

5 **Planning:** - a) To consider plans submitted by NYMNPA & RDC for the
Council's comment.

Applicant: Mr Wilkin
Address: Gateways, Whitbygate
Application: Creation of new rear entrance door to rear elevation and internal alterations.

One Councillor declared a conflict of interest. The other six Councillors were in favour. The Councillors had concerns regarding this application as they were given to understand that building work had already commenced.

Applicant: Mr D Alger NYM/2016/0147/FL
Address: All Saints Church, Church Hill
Application: Formation of opening in existing wall, erection of entrance gate and construction of a path to provide disabled access.

One Councillor declared a conflict of interest. The other six Councillors were in favour of this application although they voiced concerns regarding parking in the vicinity. Will Highways be making comments on this?

Applicant: Mr D Cox NYM/2016/0052/FL (Amended)
Address: Chestnut view, Maltongate
Application: For alterations and construction of rear extension.

One Councillor declared a conflict of interest. The other six Councillors were in favour of this application.

b) To receive notification of outcomes of planning matters previously considered.

None this month.

6 Chairman's Report:

None this month.

7 Councillor / Working Party Reports

69/16 Councillor P Charles inspected the headstones in the churchyard and cemetery and found them to be secure. He was of the opinion that unless external force was applied they would withstand any adverse weather conditions. This examination will take place bi-annually. Resolved.

70/16 Councillor Charles recommended that we put the painting of the village green railings out to tender. All Councillors were in favour. The Clerk was asked to contact relevant painters and decorators.

71/16 Councillor Garbutt is waiting to hold a meeting with a representative of Highways therefore the "Traffic Consultation" will be placed on next month's Agenda.

8 Clerk's Report:

72/16 Yorkshire Water contacted the Clerk by telephone and email apologising for the delay on work in High Street. Mr Wazir confirms that the work has been rescheduled and is planned to commence on the 17th May 2016.

73/16 The Community Service Group carried out work in the cemetery in April and we have had plenty of feedback remarking on what a good job they have done. Resolved.

74/16 Councillors asked that any changes to the Standing Orders should be placed on June's Agenda for discussion.

75/16 Two paths, in the cemetery, have been damaged by the roots of trees lifting and breaking the concrete/slabs and could become a hazard unless addressed ASAP. The Clerk has contacted a contractor who will carry out work to rectify this problem. Work will commence during the week commencing 9th May 2016. Resolved.

76/16 It was brought to the Clerk's attention that the grass in Castle Garth was not been cut. Councillor Acomb suggested that it should be added to the grass cut rota. All councillors agreed. Resolved.

9 Village Maintenance Issues:

a) Those able to be passed on to the relevant agency for action.

None this month.

b) Those able to be dealt with by The Clerk under delegated powers e.g. prioritised for action by The Caretaker, or other contractors to the Council.

None this month

c) Those requiring budget allocation / Council approval – to be deferred to next Agenda.

None this month.

d) Items brought forward from previous meeting for debate / budget allocation / Council approval / action.

None brought forward this month.

10 Motions Proposed by Councillors: - Submitted in writing to The Clerk at least four working days prior to this meeting supported, (where possible / practical) by relevant documentation to inform the debate. All Councillors are to receive this information with the Agenda.

None this month.

11 Correspondence:

77/16 Councillor Porter requested that the Clerk contacts Sanctuary Housing for a copy of the Lease/Contract that a resident must sign when taking on the property. The Clerk had contacted Sanctuary Housing in March requesting this but as of this time has not received one. If it is not forthcoming shortly he was asked to invoke the F of I Act.

78/16 Councillor Porter put forward that the NYMNP is having a detrimental effect on the village in the way it has introduced parking charges and removed the status of being a Service Village. The Clerk was asked to contact Parks regarding this matter.

79/16 The Community Grants applications are now open. Information regarding these grants has been passed to all interested parties. Resolved.

80/16 A resident of the village has once again voiced concerns over the following:-

- A Recording of minutes. These recordings are made on equipment purchased by the Clerk. The Council has not purchased or supplied the equipment. The Council has not asked the Clerk to record the minutes. The Clerk is recording the minutes on his behalf as a member of the public is also allowed to do.
- B The Annual Accounts. He has requested a copy of these accounts even though the Clerk has not yet compiled them. Once they have been completed, audited and put before the Council they will be published on the web site.
- C The Clerk's Contract. He wanted to know who sets the Clerk's salary and why is it so high. This is set by the Government and his Spinal Column Points are commiserate with his qualifications and time served as a Clerk. Regardless of who would replace the Clerk when he retires the remuneration would be the same or possibly higher than now paid.

12 Finance

81/16 The expenses for April were proposed to be accepted by Councillor D Porter and seconded by Councillor G Acomb. All Councillors were in favour. Councillor Garbutt duly countersigned the cheques.

Date of next meeting.

Tuesday 7th June 2016 at 1930 hrs in the Hill Memorial Institute
The meeting closed at 2125 hrs.