

THORNTON LE DALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for Parish Council Meeting No 10
Held Tuesday 4th December 2018 at 7-30 pm in the Hill Memorial Institute

PRESENT

The meeting opened at 1930 hrs with Councillors S Bell (Chair), J Garbutt (Vice Chair), G Acomb, M Sanderson, D Porter, M Boden (Clerk) and four 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

Councillors P Charles and S Crabtree

2 To receive reports/ presentations from NYCC and RDC Councillors

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 9 held in the Hill Memorial Institute on Tuesday 6th November 2018.

The Minutes were proposed by Councillor G Acomb and seconded by Councillor M Sanderson. All Councillors were in favour.

4 Matters Arising from the Minutes

None this month.

5 Finance

114/18 The setting of the Precept for 2019/20 was discussed. After a lengthy debate Councillor D Porter proposed that the new Precept should be £44,000.00; this was seconded by Councillor J Garbutt. All Councillors were in favour. The relevant paperwork was signed by the Chair and countersigned by the Clerk. Resolved.

115/18 The Brownies asked if the Council would give the Group a grant. The Clerk was asked to contact them for further details as the Council could not make a decision on the information given.

116/18 The Clerk asked that part of the contingency fund be used to carry out the next phase of the replacing of the village lights. All Councillors were in favour. Resolved.

117/18 The expenditure for November 2018 was proposed to be accepted by Councillor D Porter and seconded by Councillor J Garbutt. All Councillors were in favour. The Vice Chair duly countersigned the cheques. Resolved.

6 Village Maintenance Issues:

118/18 1 The Hub Group have completed the bulb planting and painting of the village railings.

2 The pond project is up to date, but further work will be carried out after a meeting with a Park Ranger and an Ecologist.

3 A coffee morning raised £315 and a grant from RDC has been received for £4,123.00.

4 The choir has commenced sessions on a weekly basis and is very well attended.

5 A Walking Group has started, and the next walk will be on the 16/12/18 (meeting on the Village Green at 10.30 am).

119/18 The Caretaker, Scott Dent, has taken on the role of Mole Catcher and has been quite successful in the first couple of weeks.

120/18 Scott has started the cleaning and staining of the benches in the village; the Council thought that the results were very good.

121/18 The Council decided that in future the Caretakers Contracts would be for a period of 3 years and not annually. Resolved.

122/18 Councillor M Sanderson and Councillor D Porter have volunteered to carry out a survey of the grit bins to assess the number that require filling.

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

Address: Dalby Forest Visitor Centre, Low Dalby Road.NYM/1018/0708/FL

Application: Construction of new cycle trail.

The Council had no objections to this application

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

None this month.

8 Chair's Report:

123/18 The Chair has written a letter to Woman's Institute thanking them for the brilliant display on the Village Green for Armistice Day, a copy of which will be forwarded to all on the Clerks mailing list.

9 Councillor / Working Party Reports

None this month.

10 Clerk's Report:

124/18 Councillor M Sanderson and the Clerk attended a meeting at the headquarters of Area4 (Highways) in November. They both put forward items that required attention in the village. This is the response they received:

- Repainting of the railings – I have checked with the local highways officer and although this is something the County Council used to undertake, unfortunately we can no longer carry out this work or provide the paint. We are limited to carrying out safety critical work.
- Maltongate dropped kerb in the vicinity of the car park entrance – this is subject to further investigation – but we need to look at what pedestrian facilities are available in the car park entrance. ***(recently informed it cannot be carried out)***.
- Maltongate / Whitbygate junction safety concerns – already have provided a reply – I appreciate this is not what the PC would have hoped to receive but we are limited to where we can carry out improvement works. I am aware that County Councillor Janet Sanderson has a meeting planned with the local Improvement Manager to look at what measures might be taken to help drivers deal with this junction better.
- Kerbing and the beck – I have spoken to the local highways officer who is aware of the issue. Currently there is nothing that he considers safety critical so unfortunately, we cannot carry out repairs unless funding can be found.

11 Motions Proposed by Councillors:

None this month.

12 Correspondence:

125/18 A request was made by a visitor to Thornton le Dale to place a new bench near to the Cemetery. The Clerk was asked to contact Highways for permission as the land comes under their jurisdiction.

126/18 The Playground grass cutting. The Playground Committee asked if the Council would consider taking over the responsibility of this work? The Clerk will carry out a cost assessment and report back to the Council. If the Council did take on this role it would not commence prior to the start of the next financial year.

127/18 The newly formed Hub Choir asked if they could perform on the Village Green on the 21st December. All Councillors were in favour.

13 Training

None this month.

14 Items for next month's Agenda

128/18 To discuss the grass cut tenders.

Date of next meeting.

Wednesday 2nd January 2019 at 1930 hrs in the Hill Memorial Institute

The meeting closed at hrs. 2140hrs.