

THORNTON IN CRAVEN

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 4th December 2019 at 7.00pm

Present:

Councillor Steven Briggs,
Councillor Mrs Annwyn Dean
Councillor Linda Harrison
Councillor Martyn Leigh, (til 8pm)
Councillor Martin Lockyer, (Chair)
District Councillor Richard Pringle
Margaret Smith, Clerk
3 Member of the Public

103.19 To receive any apologies.

Apologies received from Cllr Patrick Mulligan

104.19 Recording of meetings – The right to record the meeting was read out and noted.

105.19 Co-option of two new Councillors.

Proposed by Cllr Briggs,

Seconded by Cllr Lockyer, and

Resolved: That Pauline Presley and Andrew Peace are co-opted onto the Parish Council and the Declaration of Office was signed by both.

106.19 To record any declarations of interest. – No declarations of interest were received.

107.19 To approve the Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 6th November 2019

Proposed by Cllr Leigh,

Seconded by Cllr Harrison, and

Resolved: That the Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 6th November 2019 were approved as a true copy and signed by the Chair.

108.19 Open Forum - For residents to raise issues to the Parish Council.

A member of the public wanted to discuss parking issues on Cam Lane at school drop off/pick up times. The parents have had letters from the school but the problem is ongoing. The NPT have been informed and a PCSO will attend when possible.

109.19 To receive a report from Craven District Council.

Cllr Pringle has sent a letter of support to residents with regard to the situations at Thornton Hall Farm, both the issues with the access road and the concerns about firework displays. He had also contacted the farm to ask for a meeting but has received no response to date. He has also asked for the application to be put before the Planning Committee, a date is to be confirmed.

Cllr Pringle had concerns with Craven District Council that school funding contributions from developers has been lost, in particular, the Inspectorate had passed a development as CDC had not justified the school contribution. He claims that over £400,000 has been lost to schools.

110.19 To receive a report from North Yorkshire County Council.

In the absence of Cllr Mulligan no report was given.

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111.19 To consider any planning applications.

111.19.01 Planning Applications – No new applications were brought forward

111.19.02 Planning Applications Granted - None

111.19.03 Planning Applications refused – None

111.19.04 Any other planning matters. Firework displays at Thornton Hall Farm
Following concerns from residents the Clerk had spoken to both Pendle Council and Craven District Council. The farm doesn't need a licence to hold firework displays but fireworks are not permitted between 11pm and 7am. Residents can monitor events and log details then contact Environmental Health. With regard to the animals, their welfare isn't a Environmental Health remit and residents with concerns should contact the RSPCA, DEFRA or Trading Standards.

112.19 To consider any response to letter FC2719 from Highways

Removal of the traffic roundels on the approach into the village and replace with right bend ahead warning sign and a series of hazard marker posts to give drivers better indication of the alignment.

Following discussions it was agreed to contact Highways and request a site visit to discuss both the recommended changes to the signs on the A56 and also school parking issues.

113.19 To consider a request from a resident for 'School Slow Down' signs.

An email from Highways Engineer states that flashing signs are not permitted under the 'school' sign that exists and cannot be sited near a pedestrian crossing.

114.19 To approve the Finance Report and Payment Schedule for December 2019

Current Account at 15/11/2019	£12,989.16
Deposit Account (reserves)	£10,001.00

Authorisation of payments for November 2019

M. Smith (Nov Salary)	29.11.2019	£180.37
S. Briggs (Xmas light items)	05.12.2019	£131.22
M. Smith (Dec Salary)	29.12.2019	£180.57
Total		£491.96

Proposed by Cllr Harrison

Seconded by Cllr Leigh, and

Resolved: That the Financial Report and Payment Schedule for December 2019 is approved. *The internet banking has now been approved so the Payment Schedule was signed by two Members to approve payment by this method. Payments of the first two items would be made on 5th Dec., Payment of the third item will be paid on 27th Dec.*

115.19 To approve the Precept for 2020/2021

Proposed by Cllr Lockyer,

Seconded by Cllr Briggs, and

Resolved: That the Precept for 2020/2021 is increased by 1.5% to £14,081.83 making cost on a Band D property £68.17

116.19 To receive an update on Internet banking.

As mentioned above, the internet banking system is now working and future payments will be made by this method as approved at Council on 5th June (Item 31.19)

117.19 To receive an update on the new website.

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We are just waiting for the changes to email addresses to the new host then the website can go live.

118.19 To receive an update on securing the Christmas tree lights and making safe the cables.

The Lough Tree is lit with the Christmas Lights and further security items, ie., rubber covering for cables and timer have been installed.

119.19 To consider further tree planting on Common Land

More research is required on permission to plant approximately 2,000 trees on Common Land, the Clerk will contact Craven for further information. Item deferred until the January meeting.

120.19 To receive a report from the Events Committee

Events at the Village hall are going well, the Crafters Fair made a profit of £190. The next event is the Christmas party on Saturday 7th December.

121.19 Correspondence and matters brought to the attention of the Chair.

- Adoption of CDC's Local Plan - Noted
- Relocation of dog waste bin on Boothbridge Lane – Cllr Briggs & Cllr Lockyer will relocate the dog waste bin.
- General Election 12th Dec 2019 – Notice of Candidates in the notice board. - Noted
- Defibrillator – The defibrillator is the responsibility of the Parish Council and will be checked monthly before the Parish Council meeting. At the next meeting the pads will be checked for their use by date.
- Consultation on the SHELAA Methodology 2019. Deadline 19th Dec. - Noted

122.19 Date and time of next meeting.

Wednesday 8th January 2019 at 7pm

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.25pm

Signed:

Date: