

Thornton in Craven Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Wednesday
2nd December 2015 at 7.00pm.

Present:

Councillor P. Bowdler, Chair
Councillor S. Briggs,
Councillor D. Joyce,
Councillor M. Lockyer
Councillor M. Graham-Roe
County Councillor P Mulligan
District Councillor R Mason
Margaret Smith, Clerk.

- 1. To receive apologies for absence, and to consent to the absence.**
No apologies given.
- 2. To receive any declaration of interest.**
None
- 3. To approve Minutes of the meeting held on the 4th November 2015.**
The Minutes of the meeting held on the 4th November 2015 were proposed by Cllr Joyce, seconded by Cllr Bowdler and approved.
- 4. Open Forum – For residents to raise issues to the Parish Council.**
None.
- 5. To receive a report from Craven District Council.**
 - Cllr Mason advised that the requested grant was going through and a decision would be made on the 8th December.
 - The next Area Committee Meeting is at 10am on Thursday 10th December. A representative of the Council would be welcome to attend to discuss speed limits in the village.
 - The Crime & Disorder Committee meet on Wednesday 9th December at 6.30pm at Belle Vue.
 - A planning application is to be resubmitted for Dam Lane. Cllr Mason suggested the applicant came to the next Parish Council meeting.

Cllr Mason was asked if he could chase up the road sweeper to clear leaves from the roads and footpaths.
- 6. To receive a report from North Yorkshire County Council.**
 - Cllr Mulligan reported on the Chancellor's Autumn Statement. He felt that overall there was signs of improvement. There would be a separate precept for social care up to 2%. A new homes bonus for Craven District has now reduced by 2/3rds which is a good deal for North Yorkshire though not for Craven.
 - The dismissive reply received with regard to the moving of the speed signs on Church Road was not helpful. Cllr Mulligan will discuss this with Ken Martin.
- 7. To receive reports from invited guests.**

None.

8. Finance Report

Balance of accounts

Current account £1157.50

Deposit account £11500,00

Authorisation of payments.

The following payments were approved.

Wreath (receipt awaited)	4.11.15	£30.00
JLM Ltd – Winter Maintenance	4.11.15	£300.00

It was agreed the amount for fireworks should be moved from donation to Village Expenses.

9. To consider planning applications.

No planning applications were received.

10. To discuss the movement of the sheep from the graveyard.

It was agreed that this was a matter between Jim Mallender and the church. The Clerk would forward Jim's email to the church in the hope that a mutually agreeable solution can be found.

11. To consider items for the website in view of YLCA recommendations.

The website would be brought up to date with the minutes, agendas and other items uploaded once the Clerk had the login details.

12. Update on the County Council Locality funding for two benches.

Our grant application was going through and a decision would be reached on the 8th December. The bench at the nursing home would cost £750 to install and the replacement bench at Morrison's Meadow £400. More funding was required. The Clerk would forward details of the Tesco Community projects grant for consideration.

13. Update on the two new lighting columns.

The new lighting columns at Old Lane have now been connected.

The Clerk would ask Anderson & Healey to remove the old column.

A discussion followed with regard to the lighting column at Brearlands which needs replacing. To replace the existing light and a new connection would be £1250.00 +VAT.

It was suggested that two lights be installed at a cost of £1,700 + two lamps at £850 each.

It was agreed a mail drop should go to residents in the area explaining that the Parish Council would be replacing the light. Phil and Steven would draft the flyer.

Proposed by Cllr Bowdler,

Seconded by Cllr Joyce, and

Resolved: That the existing light be replaced by one new one at a cost of £1,250.00
The amount to come out of reserves.

14. Update on funding for a defibrillator.

Councillor Bowdler had heard nothing further from the Rotary Club.

15. Update on Little Moor boundary.

A confirmation was awaited from Land Registry.

The Clerk to check if the land is listed separately on the insurance policy.

16. Minor Matters

Cllr Briggs had been approached with regard to the ditch near the railway bridge which had been squashed when the hedge was being maintained causing water to gather on the road rather than in the ditch. Cllr Bowler would speak to Pilkingtons if Cllr Brigg supplies him with the contact details.

17. Date and Time of Next Meeting.

6th January 2015 – This meeting will be to discuss the 2016/17 budget.

There being no other business the meeting was closed by the Chair at 8.30pm

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