

# **Thornton in Craven Parish** **Council.**

**Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall on  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2013.**

Present.

Councillor P Bowdler, (Chairman in the Chair)

Councillors S Briggs and M Graham-Roe

Also in attendance County Councillor P Mulligan.

**1. Apologies for absence and consent to absence**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillor D Joyce.

**2. Declaration of Interest.**

None to be declared.

**3. Approve Minutes of the meeting 12<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

Minutes approved.

**4. Open Forum.**

Alex Iveson thanked the Parish Council for the new website.

There have been some problems with bad parking up near the nursing home with Cars being parked half on and half off the pavement. To be monitored.

Alex suggested that if a new bus shelter is to be provided in the village then could consideration be given to putting it near the nursing home as this stop is used by many older people. It was agreed that the parish council will support the new bus shelter but that residents must make a decision where it is to be placed.

It was suggested by Alex that the council consider the purchase of a defibrillator for the village. This would be supported by the North Yorkshire Ambulance NHS Trust. Volunteers would be trained to act as first responders. It was agreed that before making any decision the council will ask the nursing home if they have a defibrillator and if they have would they allow it to be used in the wider community. If they have not then would they agree to have one sited there and possibly work in partnership to provide this service. To be discussed at the next meeting in September. If the decision is to move forward then the Ambulance Trust will be asked to visit in October to give a presentation about the scheme.

**5. Report from Craven District Council**

None

**6. Report from N. Yorkshire County Council.**

Please note that C Councillor Mulligan is Chair of the Care and Independence Overview and Scrutiny Panel.

Councillor Mulligan has contacted the Integrated Passenger Transport and Highways to bring the issue of the proposed footpath on Church Rd to their attention.

Cuts to subsidies for the costs of travelling by bus have affected some local villages.

N. Yorkshire has raised the standard of need for care services from Moderate to Substantial. It is estimated that this will save the county £1.5m.

**7. Finance Report.**

The precept for the first six months of the financial year has now been paid into the bank.

The internal audit is complete. £2572.00 was carried forward from the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013 to April 2013. The bank account balance is £6167.00.

Invoices paid:

Clerk, Jane Killeen salary for June plus £6.00 stamps £206.68

Christine Husbands, internal auditor £50.00

The accounting statement for the end of year accounts at March 2013 was approved by the Council.

The audit documents are ready to be returned to the Audit Commission.

Councillor Graham-Roe will take the Bank Mandate form to the Yorkshire Bank to update the bank signatories.

Councillor Graham-Roe will also follow up the issues concerning access to the Standard Life account.

**8. Grass Cutting.**

It was resolved by the Council that the savings made by slight changes to the grass cutting contract would be so small that the changes cannot be justified.

Two quotes of £500.00 each have been received from J&S Pickles and JML for the work outside the cottages on Boothbridge Lane. It was resolved that JLM would be asked to do the work but that the price must be confirmed at no more than £500.00.

**9. Provision of Footpath on Church Rd.**

Councillor Briggs will check the progress on this issue.

**10. Road Safety and Speeding.**

This is an on- going issue, which requires a co-ordinated approach with NYCC and the police.

### **11. Planning.**

Proposed development at Thornton Hall Farm.

This application has been recommended to Committee. Councillor Bowdler is waiting for confirmation of the date of the committee meeting. Councillor Bowdler is to contact Councillor Rosemary Carroll from Earby for more information.

### **12. Website**

The website is now live. Volunteers are needed who would like to help manage the website. Groups in the village are asked to contribute to the website. Training will be provided.

### **13. Children's Play Area.**

Bruce Dinsmore from CDC has offered support for the development of a play area. He will contact the clerk as soon as he has discussed this with his manager.

### **14. Dog Fouling**

Dog fouling on the cricket field is an issue. Signs are in place and a dog bin is available. It was decided that this is the responsibility of the cricket club and that the parish council will not agree to ban dogs from the field.

### **15. The Woodland Trust.**

It was agreed that the offer of 30 free trees would present no real savings as the stakes and guards would have to be bought. Planting trees by the school is a possible option and this will be considered again at a later stage.

### **16. Contribution to Graveyard Maintenance.**

It was agreed that the annual contribution of £320.00 to support the maintenance of the grave yard should be continued. However, the management of areas that need cutting and areas that could be grazed needs to be addressed. Councillor Graham-Roe will discuss this with Richard Greenwood and the Vicar.

### **17. Date of Next Meeting.**

4<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00pm

2<sup>nd</sup> October at 7.00pm

6<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm