

Thornton in Craven Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 2nd July 2014.

Present:

Councillor P Bowdler, Chair, Councillor S Briggs, Councillor M Lockyer, County Councillor P Mulligan.
Mrs M. Thompson.
Jane Killeen, Clerk.

1. Apologies for absence, and to consent to the absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor M. Graham-Roe and Councillor D Joyce.

2. Declaration of interest.

Councillor Bowdler declared an interest in the discussion of planning application: 13/14/0225P. Erection of Two Storey Domestic Extension To Side And Rear. The Power House. He is a neighbour and friend of the applicant Mrs D Joyce.

3. Approve Minutes of the meeting on 4th June 2014

The Minutes were approved as a fair and correct record.

4. Open Forum – For residents to raise issues to the Parish Council

Mrs Thompson raised concern regarding the letting of the parking space next to the village hall. However, Councillor Bowdler said that this issue should be raised with the Village Hall Committee as the Parish Council has no authority regarding this matter.

5. Report from Craven District Council.

None.

6. Report from North Yorkshire County Council.

Tour de France - County Councillor Mulligan reported that there is still uncertainty about the numbers of people expected to visit the area for this event. There are emergency measures that can be put in place if they are necessary. Car parking has been set at £10 for the 5th July in all the existing car parks and some farmers are opening fields for parking and will also charge £10.

Grass Cutting – a letter has been sent out from County regarding their resolve not to cut the grass. However, there was no accompanying plan which set out the safety issues that need to be taken into account if parish councils or village residents take on the task. A more detailed letter to include a plan will be sent later this year.

7. Reports from invited guests

None.

8. Finance Report

Bank Mandate/investment of reserves – the bank mandate is now complete and a decision regarding the investment of the reserves can be made in September.

Payment of invoices – the following payments were authorised:

Jane Killeen clerks salary £183.38
Stamps £ 7.60
JD & S Pickles £590.00

The balance in the current account is £2340.80p

9. Planning.

Application Number; 13/14/0225P.

Proposal: Erection of Two Storey Domestic Extension To Side And Rear.

Location: The Power House, Thornton in Craven.

Applicant: Ms D Joyce,

This extension is for two storeys on the back of the house. The materials comply with conservation regulations.

No comments.

10. Purchase of new Lighting Columns.

It was agreed that new lighting columns must match the ones already in situ. A range of suppliers have been contacted. Anderson and Heeley Ltd from Huddersfield supplied the lights in 2012 and they seem to be the only company that are able to supply matching lights.

A visit from Anderson and Heeley is to be arranged to agree on the work and for a quote for three lighting columns and two lighting columns and one wall mounted lamp.

Councillor Briggs will attend the meeting. It was agreed that one road in the village at a time is to be completed. The Parish Council would like to have all the necessary details in order to approve this work in September.

11. Planting Scheme on Booth Bridge Lane

Two quotes were obtained and the lowest quote of £875.00 + VAT from JML was approved. JML will be asked to have the work completed by the end of August 2014.

12. The Maintenance of Village Equipment/Items.

Work has begun on numerous tasks. Councillor Bowdler is to remove the waste collected from Church Rd.

13. Village Website

Progress on Social Media Policy. To be discussed at the meeting in September.

14. Common Land, Little Moor.

The date by which a response should have been received from the owners of the property has now passed without a response. Councillor Bowdler has been unable to make contact by telephone. A cattle-grid has been installed and this has relieved part of the problem. Craven College have shown interest in re-building the wall as a project in Sept/Oct 2014. Councillor Briggs will contact John Pallister's, Clitheroe for advice on how to move forward.

15. Minor Matters.

Grass verges on Booth Bridge Lane need cutting back and grates on both Booth Bridge Lane and Skipton Rd need cleaning. Contact will be made with NYCC Area 5 to request information about who is responsible for this type of work.

16. Date and Time of Next Meeting

3rd September 2014

1st October 2014

