

# THORNTON IN CRAVEN PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Wednesday  
6<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at 7.00pm.**

**Present:**

**Councillor M. Lockyer, Vice Chair**  
**Councillor S. Briggs,**  
**Councillor M. Graham-Roe**  
**Margaret Smith, Clerk.**

- 1. To receive apologies for absence, and to consent to the absence.**  
Councillor P. Bowdler and District Councillor P. Mulligan
- 2. To receive any declaration of interest.**  
None
- 3. To approve Minutes of the meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015.**  
The Minutes of the meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015 were proposed by Cllr Graham-Roe, seconded by Cllr Briggs and approved.
- 4. Open Forum – For residents to raise issues to the Parish Council.**  
None present
- 5. To receive a report from Craven District Council.**  
No Councillor present
- 6. To receive a report from North Yorkshire County Council.**  
No Councillor present
- 7. To receive reports from invited guests.**  
None present
- 8. Finance Report**  
Balance of accounts  
Current account balance as at 31.12.15 £2644.95  
Deposit account £11500,00  
  
Authorisation of payments.  
The following payments were approved.

M Smith Salary Month 8 & 9	30.12.15	309.44
Craven District Election Expenses	30.12.15	490.76
Anderson & Heeley Ltd	30.12.15	210.00
HMRC PAYE Month 8 & 9	30.12.15	77.20

  
Proposed by Councillor Briggs  
Seconded by Councillor Graham-Roe  
**Resolved:** That £1500 should be transferred from Reserves to the Current account.
- 9. To note YLCA MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION FEES 2016/2017 increase of 4.9%**  
Noted

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- 10. Budget 2016/2017**  
A discussion followed with regard to budget projections for 2016  
Proposed by Cllr Lockyer, Seconded by Cllr Briggs, and  
Resolved: That the precept for 2016/17 remains the same as 2015/16 at £12713.48
- 11. Changes to the External Audit Regime:** By **31 March 2016** a council or parish meeting will need to decide whether it is to remain automatically opted into the Sector Led Body for audit or is to opt out.  
This item is deferred until the next meeting
- 12. Update on County Council Locality funding for two benches.**  
The grant has been approved, Cllr Briggs will talk to Thornton Hill Nursing Home with regard to a contribution.
- 13. To consider any planning applications.**  
Case Number: 13/15/0574N  
Proposal: Prior Approval Notification (Agricultural Building to Dwelling - Class Qa and b): Change of use of agricultural building to single dwelling with associated external alterations. Address: Booth Bridge Farm Thornton In Craven Skipton BD23 3TQ  
Comments: This application could set a precedent for farm buildings, which do not require planning permission, to be converted in future. It is also thought that the building is visually wholly inappropriate to the surrounding listed buildings.
- 14. To note the closure of the Post Office on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2016 - Noted**
- 15. Update on Lights at Brearlands and cutting of tree branches around lights on Old Road**  
The trees need to be pruned before the lights can be erected. Cllr Briggs will chase up Pickles Bros
- 16. To consider the Queens 90<sup>th</sup> birthday commemoration and the proposal of a finger sign post.**  
The idea is supported in principal but at the £3,500 quoted is outside the Council's budget. It was suggested some fundraising could be considered. A site was agreed on the Pennine Way by the post box at the Green to mark footpaths.
- 17. Minor matters**  
**Little Moor** – Cllr Briggs will try and get into the locked filing cabinet where historical items are stored and where some details of ownership of the land in question maybe located.
- 18. Date and time of next meeting. Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2016**

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There being no other business the meeting was closed by the Vice Chair at 8.50pm