

THEDDLETHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the monthly meeting held on Thursday, 24th May 2018, 9.12pm in the Village Hall.

Chairman: Cllr Mr Carl Richardson, **Vice-Chairman:** Cllr Mrs Barbara Lister, Cllr Mr Greg Marriott-Dodington, Cllr Mr Colin Hallett, Mrs Susan Hallett and Cllr Miss Julie Sheppard.

Also, present: Parish Clerk: Mrs Natalie Fenner

District Councillor: Mrs Sandra Harrison

County Councillor: Mr Graham Cullen

County Councillor: Mr Daniel McNally

Members of Public: Five members of the Public were in Attendance

Item 05/18-72 Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone present the monthly and explained that this month the meeting was held at the end of the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual General Meeting and the Parish Council meeting process.

Public Forum

Over-Hanging Tree's – Planted on the verges over 20yrs ago when the County Council gave out tree's and some trees were planted by the Parish Council outside the village hall. The tree's causing an issue are on Grove Rd corner and The Wong corner. The issue will be reported to Highways.

No further matters were raised, and the Public Forum was then closed.

Item 05/18-73 Apologies and Acceptance of Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Mr David Sear and Cllr Miss Charlie Lister.

Item 05/18-74 Police Matters

PC Glenn Palmer had given his apologies for not being able to attend this meeting. PC Palmer advised that there have been a few issues with off-road riding up and around the Theddlethorpe area, but no one has been caught when attending the call logged.

Item 05/18-75 Declarations of Pecuniary Interest from members in accordance with Localism Act 2011

None.

Item 05/18-76 Approval of Minutes produced for the Monthly Meeting held on the 22nd March 2018

The Minutes from the meeting held on the 22nd March 2018 amended accordingly from the last meeting were proposed by the Vice-Chairman, seconded by Cllr Marriott-Dodington as a true record of the meeting. The Chairman duly signed and dated the Minutes.

Item 05/18-77 Approval of Minutes produced for the Monthly Meeting held on the 26th April 2018

The Minutes from the meeting held on the 26th April 2018 were proposed by the Vice-Chairman, seconded by Cllr Mr Marriott-Dodington as a true record of the meeting. The Chairman duly signed and dated the Minutes.

Item 05/18-77 District & County Councillor Reports

District Cllr Mrs Harrison reported on:

- **Local Plan** - At last the Draft Local Plan is due to come to fruition and has been approved by the Planning Inspectorate to be used by ELDC. This is set for approval by ELDC next month.
- **Ward Councillor Grant** – Is back and this year will see a fund of £1,500 per Ward Councillor to be distributed between the Parishes. This is very difficult with the number of Parish Councils to cover. Funding from community groups can be requested and to contact District Cllr Mrs Harrison directly.
- **Lincolnshire Wolds Management Plan** – Following a public consultation, a report has been created to present to the Executive Board for consideration on the revised plan for the period 2018-2023.
- **Waste Strategy Consultation** – The consultation is still open and available on the ELDC website. Information on the consultation was reported at the April Parish Council Meeting.

County Cllr Mr Cullen reported on:

- **Potholes** – More complaints have been received.
- **Speed Sign** – A request for speed signs on Mill Road are unlikely to come to fruition. Michelle White from Theddlethorpe Academy has raised the issue.

County Cllr Mr McNally reported on:

- **Devolution** – Is being revisited with informal meetings being held between leaders of Councils and Westminster. It is felt that if there needs to be a Mayor or an additional tier of Government then it will be a No to devolution.
- **Separating Food Waste** – A pilot scheme to run for a year commences tomorrow within the district of South Kesteven. Food waste will be separated into two bins to see if some food waste can be recycled.
- **Events** at Lincoln Castle – An exhibition of mythical creatures, princesses, sorcery all build in LEGO will be on display between Saturday 14th July until Sunday 2nd September 2018. Volunteers are needed.

Item 05/18-78 Chairman's Report

The Chairman read out a letter from Michelle White, Principal at Theddlethorpe Academy, with regards to speeding along Mill Road. The letter follows on from a conversation in April on the subject. The chairman opened a forum for discussion on a range of street calming measures. Permanent installed speed signs not supported previously by LCC as £12K each. Temporary LED speed signs offered by Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership (LSRP) are circa £3K each for the village and need recharging every 8 days with each site costing £40 for an installation assessment. Staggered entrance fences/gates were reported as having no effect elsewhere in the County by Cllr Mr McNally. Narrowing of the road to a single vehicle width & installing speed bumps would not be supported due to the impact against Agricultural vehicles & noise impact to homes along Mill Road. The Chairman reported historically, the Parish Council proposed & supported a 20mph speed limit outside the school. This was rejected by LCC as the area did not have sufficient residences to meet the criteria at the time for acceptance. The Chairman will write directly to the Academy.

As Children's safety has been a focus over the last 20 years with the Parish Council fighting hard over 15 years to get a footpath installed from the school to the village hall, purchased Hi viz waistcoats for winter walkers and worked with LSRP in school speeding sessions including pupils giving out speeding tickets. Maybe LRSP could do some further vehicle speed monitoring, though normally they come at the wrong times of day, as discussed with the Local Neighbourhood Policing Team on many occasions.

Item 05/18-79 Community Plan

The Vice-Chairman reported that a selection of questions has been picked out of the original questionnaire. Next stage is a Committee meeting to agree the new comparative questionnaire & distribution. A time a date of the Committee meeting is to be set.

Item 05/18-80 Parish Councillor Matters to be Raised / Reports

None.

Item 05/18-81 Matters arising from the Correspondence File

Cllr Miss Sheppard had noted the funding opportunities within the Rural Opportunities Bulletin and the Rural Community Fund along with grants available for Community Centres, Village Halls, Church Community Grants and Neighbourhood Planning Grants.

Item 05/18-82 Clerk's Report

The Clerk summarised correspondence that had been received from the 26th April 2018 to the 24th May 2018. The file was passed to Cllr's for their perusal. Refer to the 26.04.18 to the 24.05.18. Mailbox list attached for details.

Item 05/18-83 Financial Matters

Approval of May 2018 Expenditure – The financial statement for May 2018 was circulated to Cllrs. Expenditure: A.Taylor Grass-Cutting Services (04.05.18, 13.05.18 & 23.05.18) £270.00

ICO - Subscription £40.00

A query on the credit paid to Mr Taylor for an advance grass cutting at the end of the year had been raised. The Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) reported that a receipt of the credit in a form of an invoice had not been received and payment from April was pending. This concerned the Parish Council as knowledge of withheld payment was not known and the approved cheque should have been paid and the credit issue addressed at the next monthly meeting. It was resolved that the Chairman hand-deliver payment to Mr Taylor after the Parish Council meeting to avoid any delay in payment being received. The Chairman took the cheque raised at the meeting to deliver to Mr Taylor.

Grant Thornton – The Chairman reported that he had received a notification from Grant Thornton and had a discussion with regards to the External Auditors invoice from the 2017 accounts as it remains outstanding. The parish RFO informed the council that the item had been paid and a check with the Bank had advised that the approved cheque raised and sent had been banked. Further clarification will be sought, and the issue resolved asap.

It was proposed by the Vice-Chairman seconded by Cllr Miss Sheppard and resolved, to pay the above May expenditure.

Item 05/18-84 Planning Matters

No matters raised.

Item 05/18-85 Highway / Footpath / Lighting Matters

No new defects reported. Notification from LCC Highways had been received and circulated to Cllrs prior to the meeting on the Temporary Closure of Mill Road (Between Grove Rd/Station Rd & Rotten Row). The Period of Closure is between the 12/06/2018 to 17/06/2018 (Closures to be implemented as & when required during this period, signage detailing accurate dates & times will be displayed on site in advance). Reason for Closure: Essential Maintenance Works by A Plant Lux/Telec Utilities. Local Diversion routes & access arrangements will be signposted.

Item 05/18-86 Village General Maintenance Works

- **Village Signs** – Are currently being manufactured.
- **Information Boards** – The Vice-Chairman has not had the opportunity to investigate funding opportunities.
- **Millennium Stone** – The Vice-Chairman will make enquires about a digger to move the stone.
- **Flowerbeds** – Grove Rd has now been established. The other flowerbeds need a trim and the Chairman will speak to A.Taylor about works needed.
- **Grass-Cutting Additional Areas** – The Chairman will speak with A.Taylor with comments received from the grass-cutting being carried out.
- **Litter Club** – The Chairman apologised for not being able to make the Litter Pick. Cllr Mrs Hallett reported on the areas covered and the amount of rubbish collected along with the collection of 12 empty whiskey bottles from Station Rd to St. Helens Church. The Chairman handed out a small gift of thanks to the helpers.

Cllr Mrs Hallett will re-do the bench with wood stain and both Cllr Mrs Hallett and Cllr Mr Hallett will tend to the flowerbed on Station Road.

Item 05/18-87 Reports From Outside Bodies

The Chairman had received correspondence from Theddlethorpe Primary Academy and their concerns of speeding vehicles along Mill Road. A letter will be drafted for Highways to voice concerns received along with a suggestion of a staggered gates be installed and reconfirm the Parish Councils' support for a 20mph restriction of speed during school hours.

Item 05/18-88 To Resolve the Date of the next Monthly Parish Council Meeting

It was resolved that the next monthly Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 28th June 2018 commencing at 7:30pm with the Public Forum. The meeting will be held in the Dilys Jones Room within the Village Hall, Silver Street, Theddlethorpe.

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.55pm