



THORP ARCH
PARISH COUNCIL

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Parish Council Facebook Page

The Parish Council Facebook page is now up and running.

<https://www.facebook.com/ThorpArchPC/>



See the link or search: *Thorp Archway*. Whilst the page has been set up by the Parish Council, it is effectively an e-noticeboard for the community of Thorp Arch. It is designed to

inform, engage, support and involve people in the community.

Groups and individuals are encouraged to use the platform to promote all things Thorp Arch. Please inform admin if you would like to advertise your events/activities.

Our Facebook page holds the key values of being respectful, honest, constructive and positive. Please do visit.

Wood Lane Path

Councillors have now met with Leeds City Council Highways team to map out and plan the new Wood Lane path. We expect to receive quotes for the work shortly and will report back in our next newsletter. Please check our website for updates: www.thorp-arch.org.uk



Road Safety Plan

Our community survey highlighted resident concerns about road safety in Thorp Arch. We are currently producing a road safety plan supported by a local resident. All traffic issues are being mapped and solutions identified. Many will require work and input from Leeds City Council Highways, others will be delivered under the Parish Council's Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) budget.

Speeding Cars in Thorp Arch

This month Cllrs borrowed a mobile Speed Indication Device (SID), from a neighbouring Parish, to track the speed of vehicles entering and leaving the village. The SID allows us to track vehicles in real time and record speeds. Unfortunately, as expected, speeds were dangerously high at times, particularly around the bridge.

- 90% of vehicles crossing from Boston Spa recorded a speed over the 20mph speed limit and only 2% adhered to the 15mph advisory limit.
- 50% of vehicles strayed over the white line toward the footpath, 56% strayed over when there were pedestrians on the bridge
- The maximum speed over the bridge was a shocking 39mph!

We will be reporting the results to the police and hope they can take action to help us slow down traffic. We plan to repeat the exercise regularly and are grateful to our neighbouring parish councils for use of the device. We will target different areas at different times and record the data which will inform our road safety plan.



Any incident involving speeding/dangerous driving can be reported directly to the police via the link below and to the Parish Council.

<https://www.westyorkshire.police.uk/SaferRoadsSubmissions>

Please remember to drive within the speed limit.

British Library – Community Space

The British Library has identified a space under their new development plans, that could be used by the community. The plans are at early stages but look very promising. Parish Cllrs have met with representatives from the library and will continue to engage with them over the coming months.

Housing Developments



Any queries or concerns about the Lovell Homes development can be forwarded directly to Lovells at: Nicola.Bailey@lovell.co.uk

Tel: 01132022200

Police Matters



**WEST YORKSHIRE
POLICE**

Six crimes registered for May. Four of which were on the Trading Estate.

Register for a community alert: For daily crime updates in your area please register for community alert. Here you will receive

updates about crime in your area, and crime prevention advice. Please visit [Community Alert](#) Crime Reporting Please ensure that you report all crimes. For non-urgent issues and to pass on information, call West Yorkshire Police on 101. In an emergency (if a crime is in progress or you think the offenders are nearby), call 999. Deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired people can use textphone 18001 101.

Go to the West Yorkshire Police website - [Police Website](#) Click on the 'Contact us' button and a range of ways to report will appear including the 101 Live Chat System. Or click on the 'Report it' function and numerous types of crime which you can report online will appear. Contact your local Neighbourhood Policing Team to speak to a local officer about community issues:

- Email: nel.npt@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk
- Facebook: [Facebook](#)
- Twitter: www.twitter.com/WYP_LeedsNE

To give information anonymously call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Report a Problem

Residents can report a range of problems online to Leeds City Council concerning **potholes, street lighting, dog fouling, blocked drains, footpaths, bridleways, fallen trees and street signs**. Please make a note of the link and report problems directly at:

[Report a Problem](#)

Newsletter Sign Up



The Parish Council produce their own electronic Newsletter. This can be accessed via our website: www.thorp-arch.org.uk If you would like to receive the

newsletter and other information directly from the us, then please sign up via the website. The Newsletter sign up box can be found on the Homepage.

Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 12th September 2022 – 7.00pm - 9.00pm at All Saints Church, Thorp Arch.