

**Thorp Arch Parish Council
Draft Minutes Monday 9th January 2017**

Present: **Clrs:** J. Richardson (JR Chairman),
A. Rodger (AR), A. Crooks (AC), M. Smyth
(MS)

In Attendance: T. Wormley (Clerk)

Others: None

1. Apologies for Absence

Graham Duxbury

Action

2. Declaration of Prejudicial/Personal Interests

JR and MS to receive a cheque

3. Police Report

No police report this month. A number of complaints have been received about problem cold callers in the area. The PC agreed to put this on the next agenda for discussion and action.

4. Minutes of the last meeting held on Monday 5th December 2016, having been circulated to all members, were **agreed** as correct.

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Item 3 – Still chasing the SID machine.

Item 5 – LED sign – will be considered at some point in the future.

Item 9 – Hedge on Walton Road near prison now cut.

6. Correspondence

Email from Resident – Cold Calling in Thorp Arch – will be addressed at the next meeting.

Outer North East Town and Parish Forum – Next meeting Thursday 26th January, at Tree Tops Community Centre.

YLCA – No extension of referendum principles to Parish Councils; Beacons of Light WW1 tribute 11th November.

7. Parish Development Matters

Neighbourhood Plan

Feedback from the consultation process is now complete. Draft policies have been reviewed by the Consultant. It is anticipated that the plan will receive support from LCC. The plan will then go to the Inspector, following which a referendum will be held in Thorp Arch sometime in the summer.

TATE

The Environmental department have attached a number of conditions to

the TATE application, around contamination. This will have serious financial implications for the applicant. The Highways Department currently have insufficient information about the impact on traffic flows in and around Thorp Arch leading them towards an objection to the application. No determination date has been set as yet.

HCA Update

The HCA application for 142 houses is included in the SAP.

Site Allocation Plan Consultation Process (SAP)

The SAP currently identifies TATE for employment and includes the HCA site for development of 142 houses. JR to attend Plans Panel meeting on the 12th January, where Outer North East SAP will be considered.

Planning Matters:

JR

Ref: 16/07863/FU/NE For: Three storey side extension; single storey rear extension; two dormer windows to rear and open porch to front Site At: 20 The Village. **For further PC discussion.**

Ref: 16/07830/FU/NE For: Alterations including two storey and single side/rear extension with canopy to front; widen existing vehicle access to front Site At: 32 The Village. **Support**

Ref: 16/04814/FU/NE For: Single storey office extension with basement level to form additional office and showroom/storage, formation of two new vehicle access points and alterations to car park Site At: Stirling Investments Thorp Arch Grange Walton Road.

8. Community Participation Report

Parish Maps

The Parish Council are continuing to look at ways of funding a Parish map. A lottery grant application will be made and other sources of finance will be considered. AR to make the application.

AR

Community Right to Bid

The Pax – No response yet. Clerk to pursue.

Clerk

Community Environmental Project – Suggestions from Cllrs

The Parish Council have now developed some ideas for a number of environmental projects, following an indication of a private donation. A meeting has been held with the donor who has taken forward the Parish Council's ideas. The Council are now waiting to hear the outcome of his consultation.

Agreed to establish a 'Parish Projects' heading on the agenda.

9. Infrastructure Report

Highways and Footpaths

The Parish Council are pursuing Leeds City Council regarding improvements to Wood Lane and The Village. AR is pursuing Highways about the matter.

Clerk

Speeding is still a problem. Clerk to chase Nick Borrás from LCC Highways regarding locating speed tracking devices on Church Causeway.

AR

AC reported vandalism of some vehicles on The Village. AC to forward details to Clerk. Clerk to report to the police.

AC/Clerk

10. Financial Matters

Precept Agreement

The Parish Council agreed to raise the precept to cover their budget demands for 2017/18, which includes part provision for potentially significant election expenses in 2019. This will mean that residents will pay an additional £9.86 per year on a band D property on their Parish Council Tax in the fiscal year 2017/18. The figure demanded will be £17,020.

Resolved to increase the precept to £17,020

Accounts for payment this month:

LCC Lettings – Hire of school for meeting	£41.25
E Keswick Plant Centre – Christmas tree	£125.00
F Royffe – Plants for trough	£87.00
Margaret Smyth – Expenses (Present for C Hope)	£15.00
Expenses – John Richardson (Present for Wilson's)	£36.25
Clerk's monthly remuneration	£241.54
Clerk's expenses	£6.30

11. Minor items and items for February agenda

Agreed to bring forward the July meeting from 10th to the 3rd. Clerk to notify.

War memorial grant applications, Cold calling and environmental projects.

12. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 6th February – 7.00pm at Lady Elizabeth Hastings School.

The minutes are draft until agreed at the next Parish Council Meeting

Signed

Date

Clerk