**Minutes of the Meeting of Thornton–le–Moor with Thornton–le–Street Parish Council held at 7.00pm on Tuesday 21st January 2025 at Thief Hall, Thornton–le–Moor, Northallerton, North Yorkshire DL7 9EH.**

**Present:** **Councillors**: J. Barker (Chairman) B. Stockdale, R. Barr, J. Pinches, And P. Hodgson

**Clerk:** D. Robson-Booth

Attended by two members of the public

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Alyson Baker (NYC Councillor) The Chair approved the apologies

1. **NYC Councillor Update – Cllr Alyson Baker**  - None received
2. **Public Questions**

Public questions related to the state of the pavement in TLM from Cleve House towards South Otterington on the left hand side. The pavement is quite badly damaged from large vehicles been forced onto the pavement while passing other vehicles.

The Chair urged residents to report the state of the pavements on the NYC website. If enough residents report the matter it is more likely action will be taken sooner.

1. **Police Report – December 2024**

The police report showed no crimes for this period.

1. **Approval of Meeting Minutes held on Tuesday 26th November 2024**

Cllr B. Stockdale and Cllr P. Hodgson approved the minutes as a true record.

1. **Matters Arising** - None
2. **Update from TLM VAS Funding Village Meeting/HGV Weight Limit Through TLM**

Cllr P. Hodgson had made some enquires about the road and has discovered that the road through TLM is a yellow route and NYC are responsible for this stretch of road The weight limit for the bridge is 40.37 tons and timber loads are possibly up to 45 tons. (The bridge is in Maunby, Newby Wiske and South Otterington’s parish) Nobody at NYC seems to know whether it is a timber route but they are finding out.

The meeting at Thief Hole organised by the chair to assess the support by the residents to help fund the purchase of VAS signs revealed that each resident is willing to pay an average of £20 - £30, this will not be enough to raise the £9,000 needed to purchase two signs.

The discussion at the meeting favoured the idea of asking the children in the village to draw signs and display them. This may be a cheaper option. The Parish Council agreed that they could hold a competition and display the winning design. The Parish Council also explored the option of having ‘village gates’ to give the effect of entering an area which requires more careful driving.

The chair informed the Parish Council that our bid to raise funds for the purchase of VAS signs at Tesco stores was unsuccessful.

The chair and clerk will contact Highways to find out if the children’s signs are an option and how we go forward.

1. **Bio-diversity Seminar 4th March 2025**

Cllr R. Barr asked the clerk for more information about the YLCA seminar sent by the clerk on 13th December.

Clerk to action

1. **Correspondence**
   1. **Road Safety Surgeries**

The Parish Council have received communication from a group that formed to highlight road safety. They asked the same questions that the Parish Council raised. It was interesting to read but the Parish Council decided not to support it.

1. **Flooding on the A168 South of TLS**

The recent storms have again caused flooding along the A168 on the stretch of road between TLS and the golf club. The water runs off the adjacent fields and pools on the road, in some places it is quite deep. The Parish Council recall Highways doing some work about a year or two ago to tackle this problem.

Clerk to contact Highways.

1. **TLM Village Notice Board Repair**

The chair will ask the joiner for a quote.

1. **Planning**

**New Applications -** None

**Granted**

* 1. **Application for alterations and extension to existing dwelling. Laurel Dene, Main Street, Thornton-le-Moor. ZB24/02019/FUL**
  2. **Application for Listed Building Consent for alterations and extension to existing listed building as amended 22.11.2024. Laurel Dene, Main Street, Thornton-le-Moor. ZB24/02020/LBC**

**Refused**

1. **Creation of a replacement workshop (Use Class B2) Church Farmhouse, Thornton-le-Street, Thirsk. ZB23/01088/FUL**
2. **Proposed agricultural workers dwelling & detached single garage. Bells Farm, Thornton-le-Moor. 23/00683/FUL**
3. **Finance**
   1. **Bank Balance**

Parish Council Bank Balance as of 30/12/2024 - £7,280.86

* 1. **Money Received**

NYC Locality funding for bench repair & TLS village name sign £500

* 1. **Expenses Paid**

HMRC Clerk’s PAYE £14.20

* 1. **Expenses to Pay**

Clerk’s Salary £246.53

(Oct – Dec 2024)

The Parish Council approved expenses.

1. **Any Other Business** 
   1. **Town and Parish Council Survey for North Yorkshire Council Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment (GTAA) 2024/25**

North Yorkshire Council are acting after the government issued a document highlighting their revised Planning Policy for Traveller Sites. NYC need to assess the requirement for each Local Planning Authority and set plot targets to meet the needs.

NYC are working through this process and are preparing a new Local Plan for North Yorkshire to cover the timescale 2023 – 2045.

Completing a Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment is an important part of the assessment. The Council has commissioned Opinion Research Services (ORS) to produce a robust and objective assessment which will establish what level of genuine need for Traveller accommodation exists within North Yorkshire for the period up to 2045.

Cllr R. Barr and Cllr B. Stockdale will complete the assessment. The deadline for completion is 30th March 2025.

* 1. **Proposed Battery Storage Plant East of Thirsk**

The Parish Council discussed the proposal.

1. **Date and Time of next meeting**

The next meeting will be held at **7.00pm** on **Tuesday 4th March 2025** at **Thornton–le–Street village hall,** Thornton–le–Street, Thirsk, North Yorkshire YO7 4DS

Signed by Chairman:

Date: