



# THORP ARCH

## PARISH COUNCIL

### DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THORP ARCH PARISH COUNCIL HELD

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – 7.00pm**  
**at All Saints Church**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: - Steve O'Loughlin (SOL) Vice Chair, Amy Surtees (AS), Ian Grainger (IG), David Hartley (DH),  
**IN ATTENDANCE:** Tina Wormley  
**OTHERS:** Ward Cllr Norma Harrington (NH), approximately 20 residents.

686	<b>PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS</b> SOL gave a summary regarding the formal process involved in residents making comments to the meeting. He explained that the meeting was not a public meeting but a Parish Council meeting and that discussion about a village hall was not on the agenda and therefore would not be discussed. Cllrs had invited a resident representative to meet with them to discuss the issue but thus far no response had been received. Many residents appeared under the impression that that they were attending a public meeting, with some leaving once it became clear it was a Parish Council meeting. One resident who was not at the previous PC meeting made comments about the minutes and about support for a village hall that could be given from an organisation called ACRE. Another resident asked a question about the cost of the Christmas lights. Another resident expressed his extreme concern at the intimidation tactics used against Cllrs and the unpleasantness they had suffered as a result of a campaign to try and get the PC to put a hold on all CIL spend, despite a survey not identifying this as a priority.	
687	<b>TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE</b> Nicola Midgley (NM) was not present due to health concerns caused by the extreme stress she had been put under by a few residents in relation to provision of a Village Hall.	
688	<b>POLICE REPORT</b> Ten crimes reported for August. One on the Trading Estate.	
689	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST and CONSIDERATION of DISPENSATIONS</b> None	
690	<b>TO APPROVE the MINUTES of the last MEETING</b> The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2022 were accepted as a true record.	
691	<b>TO APPROVE the MINUTES of an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING</b> The minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> August 2022 were accepted as a true record.	

692	<p><b>CORRESPONDENCE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A number of emails were received requesting that the PC consider a village hall. Emails were also received expressing concern about a village hall, and suggesting that a legitimate survey should not be ignored. SOL summarised the correspondence received.</li> <li>• Email received from a resident about bathing status for the river Wharfe. DH to respond.</li> <li>• Email was received by TABS Cricket Club asking to be fully consulted in relation to any potential Village Hall development and part of any discussions as they may be considering ground relocation to Dowkell Lane.</li> </ul>																									
693	<p><b>FINANCE</b></p> <p>a. Payment of accounts authorised.</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="220 678 1313 992"> <tr> <td>T Wormley</td> <td>Salary</td> <td>£429.10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC</td> <td>PAYE</td> <td>£100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>T Wormley</td> <td>Home Expenses</td> <td>£18.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>YLCA</td> <td>Training</td> <td>£195.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>N Midgley</td> <td>Expenses - Ink</td> <td>£25.28</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R M Landscapes</td> <td>Grass cutting and Maintenance</td> <td>£353.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HSBC</td> <td>Bank Charges</td> <td>£8.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>British Legion</td> <td>Poppy Wreath</td> <td>20.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>a. Balances and receipts noted.  b. Bank reconciliation circulated and agreed.  c. Resolved the sum of £1000 for improvements to the War Memorial</p>	T Wormley	Salary	£429.10	HMRC	PAYE	£100.00	T Wormley	Home Expenses	£18.00	YLCA	Training	£195.00	N Midgley	Expenses - Ink	£25.28	R M Landscapes	Grass cutting and Maintenance	£353.00	HSBC	Bank Charges	£8.00	British Legion	Poppy Wreath	20.00	<p>Clerk SOL</p>
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694	<p><b>PARISH DEVELOPMENT MATTERS</b></p> <p>a. Lovell Homes – Lovells hope to have completed on site by March 2023. PC to meet with Lovells next month re handover of allotments.</p>	<p>NM/Clerk</p>																								
695	<p><b>PLANNING</b></p> <p>See Appendix 1 for a. and b.</p> <p>a. Applications.  b. Decisions and enforcements.</p>																									
696	<p><b>PARISH PROJECTS</b></p> <p>a. Christmas lights – Christmas lights now ordered. Resolved to organise a Christmas <i>switch on</i> event on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. SOL to check with The Pax re refreshments. Agreed to ask Lovells for donation.</p> <p>b. Autumn bulb planting – Bulb planting, organised by the Village Society, will take place on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2.00-3.00, meeting at the school.</p>	<p>IG/SOL Clerk</p>																								
697	<p><b>ORGANISATIONAL MATTERS</b></p> <p>a. It was noted that the September PC meeting was cancelled according to protocol following the death of the Queen.</p> <p>b. CIL Projects Update – Still awaiting quotes from LCC for Wood Lane path. The traffic safety report has been completed. A priority list for action will now be put together. A motion of thanks was passed to resident Roland Blackburn for his dedication and outstanding work on the report. Thanks were also passed to John Pendleton for his contribution.</p> <p>c. Community Spaces in Thorp Arch – Good progress has been made with the school regarding use of the hall. Some minor adjustment to doors may be required to enable</p>	<p>DH NM/SOL</p>																								

	<p>independent access for groups. A meeting will be held with interested parties and the PC to move things forward.</p> <p>British Library Community Space – NM and SOL have met with representatives from the library. A space may be available under their development plans that could be used by the community. PC will continue to engage with them.</p> <p>d. Facebook Update – The PC Facebook page now has 73 followers and continues to provide good links and community spirit with residents.</p> <p>e. Risk Assessment – Resolved to accept and sign off the 2022 risk assessment.</p>	<p><b>NM/SOL</b></p> <p><b>DH/AS Clerk</b></p>
698	<p><b>INFRASTRUCTURE</b></p> <p>a. General Traffic and Highways Matters – Ward Cllr NH reported that Cllrs have funded speed checks on Church Causeway and Dowkell Lane. A number of fines and warnings were issued. Further checks are scheduled. Agreed to establish an issue log for outstanding highways work.</p> <p>b. Posts on The Green – DH agreed to measure the area to locate a planter near to the flagstones where the post is regularly knocked over. Will write to residents on The Green ahead of installation.</p>	<p><b>Ward Cllr NH</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>NM</b></p> <p><b>DH</b></p>
699	<p><b>MINOR ITEMS and ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA</b></p> <p>a. Items for the agenda to be forwarded to the Clerk up to one week before the meeting.</p> <p>b. Memorial bench provided by Ward Cllrs to be added to November agenda.</p>	
700	<p><b>CLOSURE</b></p> <p>There being no further business, the Vice Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.50pm.</p> <p><b>The next meeting will be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022 – 7.00pm at All Saints Church.</b></p>	

Signed .....

Date.....

Chairman

## Appendix 1

Planning Applications			
Application Number	Address	Description	Decision
Ref: 22/06271//FU –	Wharfdale Cottage, The Green.	Raised roof height to form rooms in attic, dormer windows to front and rear; single story rear extension; car port to side, porch to front.	Object
Ref: 22/06124/FU/NE	HM Prison Wealstun	Erection of new fencing	No comment

Ref: 22/03187/FU	29 Walton Chase	Outbuilding to rear	Refused
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**Planning Enforcements**

Case Number	Address	Date Received by LCC	Current Status (new actions in red)
None			

**Other**

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