

THORNTON IN LONSDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday 31st October 2016 in Westhouse Village Hall

1. Present: Chairperson Hunter and Councillors Lund, Ramwell, Townley and Easterby were present along with 4 members of the public.
2. There were no declarations of interest by Councillors in items on the Agenda.
3. Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 12th September 2016 had been read, were agreed and then signed by the Chair.
4. Planning

New Applications

- i) **Inglewood Caravan Park, Change use of land to form an extension to enable existing caravans to be re-organised across a larger site.** Overall Councillors had no objections. They did ask for clarification of the following; Will new caravans be introduced? If so, will they be the same dimensions as those they are replacing? Confirmation as to whether there will be any removal of trees. Councillors also commented that any new hedges should be native species. Clarification of the statement on Page 10, 6.2 "grow and develop".

Awaiting Decisions / Decided

- ii) **Removal of 2 antennas & installation of 4 antennas, 2 radio units & 2 transmission dishes to the existing lattice tower** – Granted.
- iii) **Listed Building consent for regularisation of unauthorised windows & kitchen vents and refurbishment of letting rooms, Marton Arms** – Granted
- iii) **Touring Caravan Site & erection of Amenity Block, Lund Holme Farm** – No decision

5. Finance

- i) The Clerk informed the council of the book of entries since the last meeting:

Credits:	Defibrillator Donations	1000.00
	Defibrillator Monies (Just giving)	464.50
	Defibrillator Monies	170.00
	Defibrillator Monies	30.00
	Defibrillator Monies	250.00
Debits:	Defibrillator Donations	1000.00
	Clerks Standing Order (Sep)	150.10
	J Hartley & Sons	52.80
	NatWest Balance at 2 Sep	£8056.19
	Defib Monies	£3381.96
	PC Monies	<u>£4674.23</u>

- ii) Councillors agreed payment to Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal £50; British Heart Foundation (Defib Group) £1200; Village Hall Rent £96.00; P Kendall (land registry searches) £18

- iii) The Budget was reviewed and Councillors considered a request from St Oswald's Church with regards replacing the Church Noticeboard. Cllr Ramwell to ascertain whether the existing Parish Council Noticeboard could be relocated to opposite Post Office Row, if so then Councillors agreed to joining and contributing to a new Noticeboard at the Church on condition that the Parish Council Section can be clearly identified.

Councillors were in agreement that a Christmas Tree should be sourced. NT and BR to follow up.

- iiii) Clerk confirmed that the VAT return was up to date and the Parish Council had been reimbursed £166.

6. Project Updates

Defibrillator Update – Chairperson Hunter confirmed that the application for funding from the British Heart Foundation had been successful and three defibrillators and a Training Package had been awarded. Cabinets needed to be purchased and Training events for the New Year were to be planned. The Parish Council was to adopt the telephone box opposite St Oswald's and this would house a defibrillator. The total amount of monies is £2,181.96.

B4RN High Speed Rural Broadband – Councillors were advised that those around the Thornton in Lonsdale area expected to be connected by the end of November and up and running by the New Year. Councillor Hunter had met with the Burton in Lonsdale Champion to discuss connection for Lower Westhouse. Next step to ascertain local interest.

Community Emergency Plan – Ongoing.

A suitable storage for sandbags was discussed and Cllr Hunter agreed to check with Redmayne Trust as to whether the old toilet block behind the Village Hall could be used.

7. 40MPH – No update.

8. AOB

Ditches – NYCC Highways declined an invite for a site visit and requested any issues be sent to them via email and they would review when next in the area. Clerk to send details through & follow up accordingly. Cllr Townley advised that ditches on Westgate Lane had been cleared to a high standard by B4RN when working in the area – it was agreed a letter of thanks be sent via J.Pickup.

Historic England had reviewed the War Memorial and confirmed that it had been given Listed Status, Grade II.

The Council had received correspondence regards a small piece of land near the railway bridge at Thornton in Lonsdale. Concerns were raised that hardcore rubble was being tipped and the access was being blocked inappropriately. Clerk to follow up with Craven DC and Historic Railways.

Chairperson Hunter confirmed that the Clerk had tendered her resignation. Chairperson Hunter and Clerk to take the necessary action to advertise and seek a replacement. Clerk would remain in position until the end of the year unless a replacement was found sooner. Chairperson Hunter paid tribute to the significant contribution that the present clerk has made to the efficient and effective working of the Parish Council

There was no other business and the Chair closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday 12th December at 7pm.

Signed: Dated: