

THORNTON IN LONSDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday 12th December 2016 in Westhouse Village Hall

1. Present: Chairperson Hunter and Councillors Lund, Ramwell, Townley and Easterby were present.
2. Councillor Lund declared an interest in Item 4i on the Agenda.
3. Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 31st October 2016 had been read, were agreed and then signed by the Chair.
4. Planning
New Applications
 - i) Change of Use to Joiners Workshop, Gatehouse Barn, Westhouse (retrospective). Councillors supported this application.

Awaiting Decisions / Decided

- i) Inglewood Caravan Park, Change use of land to form an extension to enable existing caravans to be re-organised across a larger site. **No decision at time of meeting**
- ii) Touring Caravan Site & erection of Amenity Block, Lund Holme Farm – **Granted**

5. Finance

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

Credits:	Defibrillator Donations	31.73
	Defibrillator Monies (Just giving)	82.76
	HMRC VAT Return	166.00
	Allianz Global	383.86
	Threadneedle UK	238.87
	Turbary Rent	1450.00
	Defibrillator Donations	220.63
Debits:	British Legion Poppy Wreath & Donation	50.00
	Clerks SO (oct)	150.10
	Village Hall Rent	96.00
	British Heart Foundation (Defib)	1200.00
	P Kendall (Land Registry Searches)	18.00
	Clerks SO (nov)	150.10
	NatWest Balance at 30 Nov	£8965.84
	Defib Monies	£2517.08
	PC Monies	<u>£6448.76</u>

- ii) Councillors agreed payments to J Hartley & Sons £24; P Kendall (clerks expenses and Pica Print Newsletter) £130.00; Crabtree Christmas Trees £100; Toobys (Tree lights) £59.58 and BT Payphones (adoption of phone box) £1.00

- iii) The Budget was reviewed. Councillors discussed utilising some of the available funds to make good a number of problematic / blocked ditches in the Parish. Cllr Townley proposed that the Parish Council moved forward with this ASAP and Cllr Easterby seconded. NT & RE to liaise with regards those areas needing urgent attention and to provide two estimates at the next meeting.
- iiii) Parish Precept 2017/18 – Councillors agreed to set the precept at zero. A public meeting is to be arranged within the next few months in order to gauge Parishioners’ views on implementing a precept in the future.

6. Project Updates

Defibrillator Update – Chairperson Hunter confirmed that three defibrillators and a Training Package had been delivered. Cabinets needed to be purchased and training events are to be planned. The Parish Council has adopted the telephone box opposite St Oswald’s and this would house a defibrillator.

B4RN High Speed Rural Broadband – Councillors were advised that those around the Thornton in Lonsdale area will be connected and up and running within the next few weeks. Councillor Hunter plans to ascertain interest from the Lower Westhouse residents early 2017, it was suggested that a meeting should be called in order to do this.

Community Emergency Plan – Ongoing. Clerk to ask Robin Derry for examples of plans implemented by smaller Parishes.

7. **AOB**

- i) Land near Railway Bridge – Clerk to follow up with Craven DC and Historical Railways re an update. Parish Council to explore the possibilities of registering the small piece of land in question itself.
- ii) Chairperson Hunter confirmed that a replacement Clerk had not been found. Mrs Kendall agreed to continue in the post until end of January with a view to handing correspondence and necessary files over to Chairperson Hunter if no replacement had been appointed
- iii) Children Playing Sign – Cllr Ramwelll to order a replacement for the sign that has been removed.

There was no other business and the Chair closed the meeting at 9.00pm.

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday 23rd January at 7pm.

Signed: Dated: