THORPE AUDLIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held in Ramsden Hall, Darning Lane, Thorpe Audlin on Thursday 27 January 2022 at 7.15pm

Present: Cllrs R Calvert (chair), S Fogg, G Moore, A Smith and L Stanley.

In Attendance: WMDC Cllr R Massey, A Draper (parish clerk) and two members of the public.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence
Apologies were received from WMDC councillors Carrington and Garbutt.

2. Declaration of interests and dispensation requests
Cllr Fogg and Cllr Stanley declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 13 – allotments rent.

3. Public Participation
The following matters were raised:

- The potholes on Forum View have not been repaired. The clerk undertook to report the matter to WMDC.

4. Report from Wakefield District Councillors
Cllr Massey was unable to attend PACT meeting due to illness but he will raise concerns with the police in order to have an increased presence in the village.

5. To approve the minutes of the council meeting held on 25 November 2021
The minutes were approved and signed as a correct record.

6. Matters to report from the minutes
None other than those which are already on today's agenda.

7. Chair's comments
None.

8. Village items

Hanging baskets
It was agreed to defer this item to the next meeting.

Yorkshire air ambulance collection point
It was agreed to defer this item and that Cllr Smith will conduct the necessary measurements for a potential location outside Ramsden Hall.

9. Correspondence
Email from a parishioner regarding the village green. It was agreed to invite her to the next meeting to discuss the matter.

WMDC's community governance review consultation. It was agreed to support the current governance arrangements.

10. Financial report (including approval of payments)
Current account: £143
Savings account: £12,497

The schedule of payments for December 2021 and January 2022 was approved.

11. Donation to charity
It was agreed to defer this item to the next meeting.

12. HM Queen's Platinum Jubilee
It was agreed to hold a celebration on Saturday 4 June 2022 at the playing field and that Cllr Smith will contact Thorpe Audlin Community Association to enquire if they wish to jointly organise the event.

13. Allotments rent 2022-23
Cllr Fogg and Cllr Stanley took no part in this item due to their respective pecuniary interests.

It was agreed to maintain the allotment rent at the same amount, i.e. £15 for a large plot and £10 for a small plot.

14. Budget and precept 2022-23
The budget for 2022-23 was agreed and it was approved to levy a precept in the sum of £10,102 for the year ended 31 March 2023 thereby maintaining the 'band D' amount of £33.90.

15. WMDC Planning Applications
None.

16. Exclusion of press and public
It was agreed that members of the press and the public be excluded for the consideration of business of a confidential nature, as per the Public Bodies Admissions to Meetings Act 1960.

17. Review of clerk's salary
It was agreed in principle to increase the clerk's salary when the latest National Joint Council pay scales are received.

18. Items for future agenda
Standard items plus hanging baskets, air ambulance collection point, donation to charity and the platinum jubilee.

19. Confirmation of time and date of next meeting
Ordinary meeting of Thorpe Audlin Parish Council in the Ramsden Hall – Thursday 24 February 2022.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.

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