THORPE AUDLIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held in Ramsden Hall, Darning Lane, Thorpe Audlin on Wednesday 2 March 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), five members of the public and an officer from the South-east Neighbourhood Policing Team.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Apologies were received from WMDC councillors Carrington and Garbutt.

2. Declaration of interests and dispensation requests

None other than those already declared in councillors' respective register of interests.

3. Public Participation

The following matters were raised:

- The upkeep of the memorial garden and the village green. Cllr Massey undertook to liaise with the member of the public on this.
- A possible 'chatty bench' on the village green. The chair asked for it to be placed on the next meeting's agenda.
- The fence on Went View which had had retrospective planning permission approved. Cllr Massey undertook to look into it.
- The crime statistics for the village for the period 1/1/22 – 1/3/22 were reported as follows:
  - Burglary commercial – 0
  - Burglary residential – 1
  - Criminal damage – 0
  - Theft from motor vehicle – 0
  - Theft of motor vehicle – 1
  - Theft other – 0
  - Road traffic collision damage and injuries – 0
  - Other road related – 2
  - Anti-social behaviour – 0
  - Suspicious circumstances – 2
  - Concern for safety – 1
  - COVID – 0
  - Animal related – 0
  - Violence/harassment/domestic/drugs/sexual – 0

  Also, several speed checks have been conducted using 'Smiley Sid' and Pro Laser. Tickets and words of advice have been issued to drivers.

4. Report from Wakefield District Councillors

Cllr Massey reported on platinum jubilee grants available for community groups.

5. To approve the minutes of the council meeting held on 27 January 2022

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 Stanley will contact the Yorkshire Air Ambulance representative.

9. Correspondence
None.

10. Financial report (including approval of payments)
Current account: £117
Savings account: £11,497

The schedule of payments for February 2022 was approved.

11. Donation to charity
It was agreed to donate £100 to the Red Cross to assist with the crisis in Ukraine.

12. HM Queen's Platinum Jubilee
It was agreed:

- To support a stand-alone committee (not a council committee) which will oversee the preparations for the jubilee celebration.
- That Cllrs Calvert, Fogg, Moore and Smith will volunteer to be on the committee.
- That £1,000 be granted to assist with the jubilee celebration.

13. WMDC Planning Applications
None.

14. Internal auditor
It was agreed to re-appoint Mr C Geeson BA CIPFA as the council's internal auditor.

15. Items for future agenda
Standard items plus hanging baskets, air ambulance collection point, 'chatty bench', Swains Acre, police report and the platinum jubilee.

16. Confirmation of time and date of next meeting
Ordinary meeting of Thorpe Audlin Parish Council in the Ramsden Hall – Thursday 31 March 2022.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Signed…… Date……