THORPE AUDLIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held in Ramsden Hall, Darning Lane, Thorpe Audlin on Thursday 27 February 2025 at 7.15pm

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

In Attendance: Alan Draper (clerk) and four members of the public.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence
Apologies were received from Cllr A Smith and WMDC Cllrs Carrington, Garbutt and Roberts.

2. Declaration of interests and dispensation requests
None other than those already declared in councillors' respective register of interests.

3. Public Participation
Concerns were raised regarding the possible loss of the Ramsden Hall as a community hub due to increased rent charged by the Church of England. It was agreed that the parish council will write to the Church of England to express its concerns.

Concerns were raised regarding mud on local roads from the tractors of local famers. It was agreed that the parish council will write to the farmer concerned.

Concerns were raised regarding horse manure left on roads. It was noted that little can be done about this as it is not unlawful.

The matter of the lack of a cemetery for Thorpe Audlin was raised. It was agreed to add this as an agenda item for the next meeting.

4. Report from Wakefield District Councillors
The WMDC councillors were unable to attend.

5. Police report
PCSO Kavanagh was unable to attend.

6. To approve the minutes of the council meeting held on 30 January 2025
The minutes were approved and signed as a correct record.

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

8. Chair's comments
None.

9. Village items
Police SAFE scheme and speeding
It was agreed that this will be kept under review due to budget constraints.

Ramsden Hall
It was agreed that the parish council will write to the Church of England and to WMDC to express its concerns regarding the possible loss of the hall as a community hub.

10. Correspondence
None.

11. Financial report (including approval of payments)
Current account: £426
Savings account: £6,242

The schedule of payments for February was approved.

It was agreed to grant £19.54 to the sports field trust to cover its expenditure.

12. WMDC Planning Applications
App No. 24/01284/FUL – Willow Bank Farm, Causeway Garth Lane, Thorpe Audlin.
Proposed flat roof dormers to northern and southern elevations and conversion of garage to habitable space. Fenestration and roof material alterations to the dwellinghouse.
Application noted.

13. Items for future agenda
Standard items plus a cemetery and dog foul bins.

17. Confirmation of time and date of next meeting
Ordinary meeting of Thorpe Audlin Parish Council – Thursday 27 March 2025 at 7.15pm.

The meeting closed at 7.45pm.

Signed…… Date……