

Minutes Of A Meeting Of Thrybergh Parish Council Held On Thursday 3rd October 2019 at the Parish Hall, Park Lane, Thrybergh (6.30pm start)

Present:- Councillors G Trickett (Chair), D Bates, G Marlow, G Senior, J Parsons, S Tennant, S Docherty & K Endicott.

Also present Ward Councillor A Napper and one member of the public.

157/19. Apologies For Absence

Apologies received from Councillors R Crehan, M Senior, A Martin & B Shaw.

158/19. Declaration Of Interest

Councillor Trickett expressed an interest in Agenda item 13a and 13b (proposed hall bookings) and Councillor K Endicott expressed an interest in Agenda item 13a (proposed hall bookings).

159/19. Questions From The Public

There were no questions from the public.

160/19. Minutes of the Previous Parish Council Meeting Held on Thursday 5th September 2019

Mover: Councillor G Marlow **Seconder:** Councillor S Docherty

Resolved: That the minutes of the previous meeting of Thrybergh Parish Council, held on Thursday 5th September, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

161/19. To Discuss Any Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes.

105/19 – Bill Winder Cup. The clerk advised that the competition had been cancelled for this year due to the inability to find a date suitable for all schools. The event has now been given a provisional date for Thursday 25th June 2020 next year. It was requested that the clerk speak to the organisers at the schools to ensure they all have this date in their diaries.

110/19 – New Bar. The clerk advised that work was now just about completed in the bar with the completion of the new door and blinds on the outside windows. We are looking for several pictures of Thrybergh to complete the new look. The clerk and chairman advised that it was no longer possible to lock the bar shutters due to the modifications of the bar and that the shutters and framework now needed modification and new parts to enable locking for security and insurance purposes. Cost of new work would be £993.00.

Proposer S Tennant Seconder J Parsons

Resolved: To engage 1st Choice Shutters to complete the required work on the shutters.

119/19 (AOB) – parking. The clerk has again spoken to RMBC and the local PCSOs about the obstruction caused by motor vehicles on the pavement outside the shops where Oldgate Lane, Hollings Lane and Park Lane meet. The police said they would make regular patrols and RMBC has instructed traffic wardens to monitor the area.

128/19 – The clerk advised that we have now given instruction to RMBC to proceed with a speed activated sign for Hollings Lane. The device will be situated close to the area where the speed limit drops from 50mph to 30mph. The actual location of the device is to be discussed and decided when sign is on site.

130/19 – WWI Memorial in the hall reception. The clerk advised that we have not received any further communication from Hirst Conservation in Sleaford and we have now contacted a company called IMI and all details have been sent to them. We currently await them on costs for renovation and cleaning of the memorial. Further details will be reported at the November meeting but this means that renovation will not take place before the planned Remembrance Service.

146/19 - Silverwood Colliery Wheel. The clerk reported that the Wheel has been inspected by the handyman recently employed to fit the baby change unit in the disabled toilets. He has quoted £330.00 to level the stonework, clean out the weeds and repaint the wheel. The cost of this to be split three ways between Thrybergh, Ravenfield and Dalton parish councils. Ravenfield have provisionally agreed but it needs to be agreed at their November meeting. As yet, we have not had a reply from Dalton but when we have agreement from the other councils we can instruct the handyman to proceed with the repairs.

Mover: Councillor D Bates Second: Councillor G Senior

Resolved: That the offer from Ben Blanchard be accepted and renovation to proceed when we have the agreement of Ravenfield and Dalton parish councils.

172/19 (Any Other Non Financial Business) - Remembrance Service – It was agreed to use the service booklets that we had last year and a copy would be sent to Reverend Hibbard who is leading this year's service. The bugler has now moved out of the area and we are in contact with his sister to see if she can provide this service for us. We need someone to play keyboard for the music for the hymns (we have a keyboard in the parish hall) and the councillors are to reach out to those involved last year to see if they are available this year. It was requested that we ensure the Cenotaph is cleaned and weed free before the service.

172/19 (AOB) - Ward councillor Napper advised that the defibrillator was now fully operational at Thrybergh Country Park.

162/19. Police & Crime Report

The clerk distributed the crime statistics for August for Thrybergh and they now also showed the total statistics for the whole of the Rotherham North area. The PCSOs are now regularly attending the Thursday afternoon drop in sessions again and the issues of drugs, nuisance bikes and parking on pavements have been raised again. The PCSOs advised that they did not have anything to bring to our attention as the last month had been relatively quiet.

163/19. External Audit of Accounts 2018/19.

The council has now received the external audit report provided by PKF Littlejohn and they have been signed off as a true and accurate report.

Proposer G Marlow Second: S Docherty

Resolved: That the report provided by PKF be accepted by the council.

164/19. Adoption of Financial Regulations.

The council considered the new Financial Regulations and amendments issued and recommended by the National Association of Local Councils.

Proposer D Bates Second: K Endicott

Resolved: That the new model Financial Regulations be approved by the council.

165/19. Parish Council Vacancy

Following the appointment of Karl Endicott last month, Thrybergh Parish Council still has one vacancy available. This vacancy has been advertised on the parish notice board for one month and by RMBC and we have not had any applications. The clerk had written to the mother and daughter who had expressed interest in becoming councillors to request they submit separate applications and to advise that we only had one vacancy. There has been no any further communication from them at this point in time. The vacant position will continue to be advertised.

166/19. SYLC and NALC Publications

The clerk advised that he had been recommended by other clerks that the parish council needed to have two publications, Arnold-Baker on Local Council Administration and Local Councils Explained by Meera Tharmarajah of NALC.

Mover: Councillor S Docherty Second: Councillor G Senior

Resolved: That the publications be purchased.

167/19. SYLC – Financial Training Courses.

The clerk advised that SYLC were running two seminars on Finance. Wednesday 13th November was a ½ day course on VAT and Thursday 14th November was a full day course on much broader financial matters. The clerk felt that much of the ½ course would also be covered in the one day course.

Mover: Councillor D Bates Second: Councillor S Docherty

Resolved: That the clerk attend the 1 day course on 14th November.

168/19. Items Raised by a Local Resident.

A discussion took place on several items raised recently by a local resident.

Hanging baskets – it was decided that the amount of baskets and their placement would be decided upon when we discuss the budget for 2020/21 in December/January. The clerk advised that he had been in contact with Ravenfield and they use the same company as Thrybergh for hanging baskets. They purchase approx 10 more than we do and they are always located on in the same position on the main roads through Ravenfield.

Flower Displays at Thrybergh Boundaries – the placement of displays on the main road comes under highways and has to be organised through RMBC, this is a service that is contracted out and we understand that the price for this is rather prohibitive. It was discussed that Ravenfield has a horticultural society and they help with flower displays throughout the village.

Suggestion boxes – A suggestion box or several of them was requested for those residents not able to come to the parish hall to meet the councillors or unable to contact us in other ways. One of the parish councillors is looking into the costs of these boxes and the logistics of their placement (which are being run by SY police) and will revert to the council when all the details and costs are known.

169/19. Proposed hall bookings

The chairman advised that we had received bookings for the bar and hall from Adam Hague and Karl Endicott. Mr Hague has requested a discount as he is a regular user of the hall and Mr Endicott requested a discount as he is to hold an awards night for the youth of Thrybergh who were attending his boxfit classes.

Mover: Councillor G Marlow Second: Councillor G Senior

Resolved: That the bookings to be confirmed at a rate of £35.00 each.

170/19. NALC Policy Consultation into Local Government Audit

We have received a request from YLCA to look at a policy consultation into the independent review of local government audit to see if parish councils had any concerns. The document was read and considered by the council.

Mover: Councillor D Bates Second: Councillor G Marlow

Resolved: That the council finds the current audit arrangements acceptable and suitable.

171/19. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Council considered the schedule of accounts for payment.

Mover: Councillor D Bates Second: Councillor K Endicott

Resolved: That the schedule of accounts for payment, as now submitted, be approved and signed by the Chairman.

170/19. Items Of Correspondence

The following items of correspondence had been received since the September meeting and were made available to be read by the councillors:-

(a) Community First Newsletter

- (b) White Rose Update
- (c) Rotherham Borough, Parish & Town Councils – Joint Working Group.
- (d) NALC Chief executives Bulletin
- (e) Proposed Resurfacing of Chesterhill Avenue
- (f) RB2019/1064 – acceptance of planning request to build on Vale Avenue
- (g) Rotherham North Neighbourhood Newsletter September 2019
- (h) YLCA – South Yorkshire Branch Meeting 9th October.
- (i) Community Organising Training
- (j) YLCA – Consultation On Proposed Reforms to Permitted Development Rights to Support Deployment of 5G and Extended Mobile Coverage.
- (k) South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner – Public Accountability Board
- (l) Letter of Thanks re Donation to St. Leonards Church

171/19. Items of Report

The clerk advised that he had attended a webinar run by YLCA on 30th September and this had covered a number of diverse topics affecting parish councils including donations to local churches, legal opinion on Speed Activated Devices, Grievance and Disciplinary Procedures and General Data Protection Regulations.

The Chairman advised that we have had our 5 yearly fixed wire test of the parish hall completed and this has resulted in several issues that require rectification. It was agreed that we should have remedial work done immediately but the item needs to be on the November agenda to officially sanction the work.

Mover: Councillor G Marlow Second: Councillor S Docherty

Resolved: That the electrical remedial work be done as soon as possible.

172/19. Any Other Non Financial Business

There is a meeting of the South Yorkshire Branch of the YLCA 9th October in Wadworth, Doncaster and Councillor Shaw will be attending.

The clerk would be attending the following meetings:-

- a) A seminar on the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) taking place at the Town Hall on the 8th October.
- b) Clerks meeting at Catcliffe Memorial Hall Wednesday 23rd October.
- c) A training seminar on Code of Conduct and Social Media on Monday 2nd December at Dalton Parish Hall.

The chairman and clerk will also be attending a meeting of the Valley Ward Community Action Planning (CAP) on Monday 21st October at Rawmarsh Service Centre.

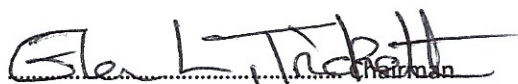
It was noted that the resignation of Councillor Newey had left a vacancy on the hall committee and Councillor G Senior was co-opted onto the committee.

There then followed a discussion on the recent issue of trees in Gulling Wood and Silverwood requiring remedial work and, in some cases, removal. After researching, it was found that the land belonged to either RMBC or the Ogden company and that Thrybergh parish council did not have any liability towards cost of work.

Date Of Next Meeting

The date of the next Council meeting was confirmed as **Thursday 7th November, (starting at 6.30 pm).**

Closure of Meeting at 8.00pm.


Glen L. Tackett