

# THORNHAUGH PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Meeting of Thornhaugh Parish Council held on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021 in St Andrew's Church, Thornhaugh

### PRESENT

Chris Smith (Chairman)  
Louise Molesworth (Vice Chairman)  
Ashleigh Kewney  
Martin Lewis

### IN ATTENDANCE

Gavin Elsey, Peterborough City Ward Councillor  
Deirdre McCumiskey, Clerk to the Council

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were apologies for absence from Adrian Rodgers.

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 3. PUBLIC FORUM

There were no members of the public present.

#### 4. POLICE MATTERS

There were no police representatives present.

#### 5. MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting of the Thornhaugh Parish Council held on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021 were reviewed, approved and signed by the Chairman.

**Proposed by:-** Louise Molesworth      **Seconded by:-** Ashleigh Kewney

#### 6. MATTERS ARISING

##### i) **Defibrillator**

The Defibrillator has now been installed in the Church Porch and has been activated. Nassington Heart Safe Community are providing free online training on how to use the Defibrillator (details can be found on [www.nassingtonheartsafecommunity.org](http://www.nassingtonheartsafecommunity.org)). Free face-to-face training will be arranged to take place in the Christie Hall. Many thanks to Louise Molesworth for making this happen and to Stuart Foreman for supporting its installation.

##### ii) **Footpath Finger Post**

Many thanks to Martin Witherington for his work in constructing a footpath sign at Home Farm.

##### iii) **Village Get-Together**

This will take place on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at Alan and Joan Frost's home. A flyer advertising the event will be distributed to residents. Please bring along a dish of food to share with other residents. It was agreed that the Parish Council will donate up to £300 towards the cost of the event. It was noted that the Queen's Platinum Jubilee will take place in 2022 and it would be good to organise a village get-together to commemorate this event.

iv) **Noticeboard – Home Farm**

Many thanks to Hally Hardie for his work in repairing the Noticeboard at Home Farm.

v) **Highways Agency**

It was reported that there has been no progress with the Parish Council's requests to improve the safety of accessing the A1 North from the village. It was noted that the grass cutting at the junction of Russell Hill and the A47 has finally been undertaken.

7. **FINANCE**

- i) Statement and Bank Reconciliations at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 were reviewed and approved as presented.  
**Proposed by:-** Louise Molesworth      **Seconded by:-** Ashleigh Kewney

8. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- i) Jilly McNaughton, FWAG East Consultancy Ltd *Pond Funding*  
ii) Environment Agency Leaflet *Grass Cutting*  
iii) Daniel Worley, Senior Conservation Officer, PCC *Parish Council Local List Project*  
iv) Gavin Elsey, PCC Ward Councillor, *Boundary Commission Review Consultation* (The Boundary Commission is currently reviewing the Parliamentary Constituency Boundaries. The recommendation for this area is that Thornhaugh remains in North West Cambridgeshire which means that the MP for Thornhaugh will continue to be responsible for a mainly rural area. It was agreed that the Parish Council will support this. Residents have until 2nd August 2021 to state their views by completing a simple online form at [www.bcereviews.org.uk](http://www.bcereviews.org.uk)).  
v) PKF Littlejohn *Receipt of documents – notification of exempt status, 2021*  
vi) Gavin Elsey *Ward Walk* (Gavin Elsey will be undertaking a Ward Walk with Aragon who are responsible for the emptying of bins and grass cutting, etc, in the village on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2021. The Chairman has given him a list of points to be raised with Aragon).

9. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- i) Planning Application 19/01889 Change of use from an agricultural field and woodland to form an adventure play scheme including erection of indoor play and visitor amenity barn, a supporting toilet and changing block, staff welfare facilities, outdoor play equipment and car park at Land off Sutton Heath Road, Southorpe – Objections - Withdrawn  
ii) Planning Application 21/00172 Replacement of the existing 30m telecommunications monopole with a 25m lattice tower, the extension of tower base to be 5.70 x 5.70m, together with ancillary development enclosed with a 2.4m palisade fence at Wansford Pumping Station, Leicester Road, Wansford – No Objections – Permitted  
iii) Planning Application 21/00470 Erection of new children's play area within existing leisure site- (retrospective) at Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre, Great North Road, Thornhaugh – No Objections – Permitted  
iv) Planning Application 21/00789 Replacement of existing cottage gates at 5-7 Meadow Lane, Thornhaugh – No Objections - Permitted  
v) Planning Application 21/01012 - Front porch & garage extension converting existing garage into home office including dormer window at 5 Home Farm Cottages, Leicester Road, Thornhaugh – No Objections  
vi) Planning Application 21/00873 Replacement of 3 metal windows on front elevation and 2 metal windows on rear elevation at Browetts Cottage, 6 Russell Hill, Thornhaugh – No Objections

**10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**i) Footpaths**

Many thanks to Mr & Mrs King of Thornhaugh Hall who have tidied up the footpath within their grounds. Louise Molesworth reported that she had come across a distressing scene where a deer had become entangled in the fence and had died. She had contacted Mr & Mrs King who had dealt with the issue immediately. The footpath across the oilseed rape field is still not passable. Peter Sharpley has been asked to remedy this rather than just waiting until it is dried off and harvested. It was agreed that Louise Molesworth and Ashley Kewney will monitor the state of the village footpaths. It was agreed that we would ask Peterborough City Council again for information regarding the landowners of all Thornhaugh footpaths with their contact details so that remedial action can be requested directly rather than going through the footpaths' officer.

**11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Meeting of Thornhaugh Parish Council will take place **at 7.00 pm on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021 in St Andrew's Church** (subject to Covid Guidelines).

**12. CLOSURE**

There being no further business to discuss, **the Chairman** closed the meeting at 8.40 pm.

**SIGNED**

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**Chairman**

**DATE**

**20/09/21**