



Minutes of Remote Parish Meeting held on 3rd December 2020

Apologies – Vicky Buczak

Present – Jim Brierley, Wendy Hoare, Carol Brierley, Cllr Richard Ormston, Angela McCormack (Clerk/Chair)

1. Welcome – Angela welcomed everyone to the Zoom meeting and informed the meeting that it was being recorded for transparency. Angela asked the meeting if anyone would be willing to Chair today, as she was no longer living in the village. Cllr Ormston advised that as it was an informal meeting this should not be a problem, so the meeting continued.
2. Register - A register was taken. Angela noted that voting would take place via a show of hands.
3. Angela asked the meeting their views surrounding a proposal to raise the precept from £2,300 to £2,400. Jim noted he had not received any written directives from any resident, regarding the precept for 2021-22. A notification had been circulated previously, and displayed on the notice board from 7th November with a deadline for responses of 20th November 2020. Angela responded by informing the meeting that she had received one vote from a resident who had agreed with the proposal to increase the precept to £2,400. Angela asked Cllr Ormston of his views, and although he was unable to vote, he suggested it would probably be wise to increase the precept in line with inflation. A vote was taken and via a show of hands was unanimous in agreeing to the increase. Angela will submit the request for Thornton Steward Precept of £2400 before the requested deadline of 8th January 2021.
4. AOB –
 - Jim noted the Minutes of the previous meeting (dated 11th August 2020) were acceptable. Angela will return a signed copy to Jim to be filed safely before Christmas.
 - Carol and Wendy thanked Angela for continuing as clerk, despite moving from the village. Carol requested a letter be drafted and circulated to advertise the replacement position for the start of the next tax year in April 2021. Angela will action this at the beginning of the New Year.
 - Jim asked the meeting if we could attend to the litter bin at the side of the bus shelter in the village, which has a damaged fibre glass door and is looking untidy. He asked Cllr Ormston, who had responsibility for this, and he advised Richmondshire Council should be approached and they would replace it. Angela to action.
 - Angela thanked Richard for joining us and everyone for attending, the meeting closed at 6.17pm.

Angela McCormack (Chair and Clerk to Thornton Parish Meeting)