

THROPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of Thropton Parish Council held on Tuesday 16th July 2024 commencing at 7pm in Thropton War Memorial Hall

Those Present: Cllr Sutton (Chairman), Cllr Aplin, Cllr Mrs Bertram, Cllr Foggon, Cllr Tuckey

In Attendance: C Miller (Clerk/RFO), two members of the public

2024/56 Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2024/57 Declaration of Members Interests

Cllr Tuckey declared an interest in agenda item 2024/63/01 Invoices for authorisation.

2024/58 Public Questions

There were no public questions.

2024/59 Resident involvement. Members to consider resident/community involvement with the Parish Council.

To be considered under next agenda item.

2025/60 Environmental issues. Members to received update relating to Environmental Community Group Meeting to be organised September 2024 to consider resident/community involvement and creation of environmental community group. Terms of Reference of group would be clarified in due course.

2024/61 Minutes of previous meeting held Tuesday 21st May 2024

RESOLVED:

Members agreed the minutes of the previous meeting held Tuesday 21st May 2024 were a true record.

2024/62 Thropton Play Area

2024/62/01 Play area equipment. Members to consider replacement play area equipment

Verbal public consultation had indicated support in upgrading the park to a community area with seats/tables, football and basketball equipment, monkey bars and slide.

2024/62/02 Play area inspection. Members to consider report(s).

ROSPA annual inspection report had not yet been received. The monthly inspection report had indicated the gate required replacement; there were problems with pine needles which required the surface to be swept on a weekly basis; and issues with some surfacing. Wood for fence repair had been ordered.

2024/63 Finance

2024/63/01 Invoices for authorisation

PAYABLE TO	DETAIL	NETT	VAT	GROSS
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Clear Councils	Annual insurance policy fee	£516.02 (retrospective payment)		
CSM Window & Guttering	Play area strimming		NIL	
	31/5/24,	£75.00		
	12/6/24	£60.00		
	2/7/24	£90.00		
	16/7/24	£90.00		
HMRC	PAYE	£61.40	NIL	

RESOLVED:

Members approved the payments.

2024/63/02 Request for grant from Citizens Advice Northumberland. Members to consider request.

RESOLVED:

Members approved a grant of £20 to Citizens Advice Northumberland.

2024/64 Planning

2024/64/01 Planning applications received

No planning applications had been received.

2024/64/02 Approval of planning application received

- 23/03071/FUL: Land West of Thropton Demesne – Residential Development 18 dwellings.

2024/65 Highway Matters

2024/65/01 Members to receive update on outstanding highway matters. Footpath from Three Wheat Heads upwards; B6341 road dip

Both issues remain outstanding.

RESOLVED:

Cllr Mrs Bertram to re-submit report regarding B6341 via County Council Fix My Street website.

2024/65/02 Local Transport Plan requests 2025-2026. Members to consider areas for inclusion

Unsuccessful 2024-2025 requests submitted as follows 1.Traffic calming at school. 2.Traffic calming at West End.

2025-2026 requests to be confirmed at September meeting.

2024/66 Members to receive update from Rothbury Joint Burial Committee

Replacement sit on grasscutting machinery to be considered. Planning application for storage shed submitted to County Council.

2024/67 X14 Bus Service. Members to receive information regarding increasing X14 nigh time service

County Council had advised Arriva were having issues with driver numbers and would be in a position to consider bidding for additional work September 2024.

2024/68 Urgent Business/Items for next meeting

Cross Keys bank requires grasscutting, however the landowner, if any, is unknown.

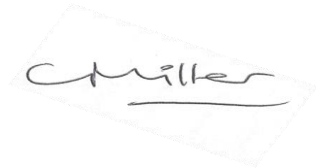
River bank near to road bridge eroding, however Environment Agency no longer permit remedial works.

Parish Council to add registering Cherry tree in front of The Croft as a TPO to September meeting agenda.

2024/69 Date of next meeting

The next meeting of Thropton Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 17th September 2024 commencing 7pm in Thropton War Memorial Hall.

The meeting closed at 810pm

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C Miller, Clerk/RFO

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