

THORNTON CURTIS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2011.

Present:- In The Chair Cllr R. Brixton; Cllrs:- P. Grainger, Mrs C. Couch, W. Crampin, Mrs P. Spink, I. Whelpton.

In Attendance: Ward Cllrs D. Wells & P. Clark, Mrs L. Underwood (Clerk), Mr J. Filby, Mr & Mrs B. Chapman, Mr J. Weston, Mr W. Spink, Mrs S. Leach, Mrs D. Evans.

1. APOLOGIES :- Apologies were received from Mr. E. Davy
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None
3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Members of the public had attended to direct questions at Mr Chapman regarding the present and future plans for the ‘Hilly Pits’ as there was great concern among village residents. A lively question and answer session took place.  
Mr Filby was also concerned re the playing field as there had been no sign of the contractor cutting the grass. The Chair explained that some volunteers had come forward to cut the area to save the expense of the contractor. Mr Filby had done some cutting himself for which he was thanked by the Chair who stated that he didn’t want Mr Filby feeling aggrieved as he was such a well respected member of the community. Martin Humphrey has also offered to mow the field with the parish council’s approval.  
The Chair thanked all residents for attending.
4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING –To be amended : re play area the decision was taken to cancel the contractor due to the cost and the offer by certain members of the playing committee to cut the grass. Proposed Cllr Crouch seconded Cllr Crampin.
5. MATTERS ARISING a) Hilly Pits – already discussed b) Dog Bins –the clerk will contact NLC as to when the bin is likely to be in place. c) Playing Field – Mr Logan has resigned Cllr Brixton will write to him. d) Martin Humphrey has offered to cut the play area and asked to be recompensed for oil & petrol, and Cllr Crouch proposed asking for volunteers in the next village newsletter, this was agreed. There is also some rubbish in one of the gardens bordering the field the Clerk will write and ask it be removed. e) A1077 as B. Reagan is no longer a councillor it was agreed Cllr Grainger write to Cllr Nigel Shearwood.
6. VILLAGE MATTERS – Cllr Crampin has certain items regarding the history of the village which he feels should be deposited in the archives, if they could be digitally copied before.
7. HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT – The clerk will obtain set up and monthly cost of flashing 30mph sign.
8. PLANNING – 2011/0414 Erect conservatory & install new windows to first floor side elevation – 25 Burnham Lane –no objections
9. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES – None
10. CORRESPONDENCE – i. Winter service review \_ Cllr Crouch to attend ii. ‘Lives’ donation request £25.00 was proposed by Cllr Crouch seconded Cllr Spink and agreed. Bank Mandate to be completed signatories to be Cllr Brixton & Cllr Spink proposed Cllr Whelpton Seconded Cllr Grainger iii. Digital switchover iv. NLC core strategy
11. PAYMENTS & FINANCE –Thornton Hunt £10.00 proposed Cllr Crampin seconded Cllr Whelpton and agreed
12. AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING –Hilly Pits, Archives, Flashing sign.
13. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING –The next parish council meeting will be held Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2011 at 8.00pm in the Thornton Hunt Inn.