

# **THORNTON CURTIS PARISH COUNCIL**

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## **Minutes of the meeting of Thornton Curtis Parish Council held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2012 in the Thornton Hunt Inn.**

Present: In the Chair: Cllr R Brixton, Cllr C Couch, Cllr P Grainger, Cllr S Leach, Cllr E Davey  
In attendance: Mr J Filby, Ward Cllrs P Clark, D Wells, Mrs C Tooby (Clerk)

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1. **To Note Apologies for Absence** Apologies were received from Cllr Tulloch and Cllr Whelpton.
2. **Signature of Declaration of Acceptance of Office** The declaration and acceptance of office was signed by Mrs Leach and witnessed by the Clerk.
3. **To Note Declaration of Interest** None
- 4 **To Receive Public Participation** Mr Filby attended for general interest.
5. **To Resolve the Minutes of the Previous Meeting.** The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2012 were amended at item 15 to read "Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November", then proposed and resolved as a true and correct record.
6. **To Resolve Matters Arising.**
  - i. Hilly Pits. No further developments.
  - ii. Archives. Cllr Couch confirmed she has the receipt for items lodge in Lincoln archives. Grimsby archives have records from 1838-40, 1892-1982 plus sale documents for Thornton Hall. Clerk agreed to check the whereabouts of the post 1982 records and pass a full list to Cllr Couch.
  - iii Electricity Pole. This is scheduled to be moved on 12<sup>th</sup> November.
  - iv. Issue of gas in the village. Cllr Grainer has collected 6 signatures on the petition. It was agreed to gain more interest via an article in the newsletter
  - v. Play area grass cutting. The grass has been cut, probably the last of the season. It was agreed to put the new cutting rota on the March 2013 agenda.
  - vi Burnham Lane salt bin. Cllr Grainger has had a reply from Highways which looked hopeful for another bin. Clerk agreed to see if NL Council would deliver some extra salt.
  - vii 30 mph road signs. The defective signs have been repaired, but the dirty ones still remain obscured.
  - viii Parking in Main Street. Cllr Brixton reported success with the parking issue, and the pavements are now clear of vehicles.
  - ix. Speed sign. The 3 month period has now elapsed. Some good feedback had been received from the newsletter article. Cllr Couch agreed to write another article for the newsletter once a final analysis has been received from Roy Hindmarsh.
  - x. BCCRP Meeting. Cllr Brixton attended to enquire about the lack of response regarding the train cancellation in March. Their Chairman has agreed to look into this.
  - xi. Bus Service petition. Cllr Grainer has collected 11 signatures. The petition was passed to the clerk for submission to NL Council.
  - xii Footpath to Wootton. Cllr Grainer expressed concern over the tone of reply from Cllr Sherwood. Clerk to write and remind him of his previous positive statements regarding reinstatement of the path. Cllr Clark stated Neighbourhood Services are scheduled to scrape back the remaining middle section. Clerk is to enquire what their timescale is for this task. Cllr Brixton agreed to enquire whether the adjacent hedge could be cut back beforehand.

xiii Public Enquiry – wind turbines at Horkstow. An objection to the development has been made, correspondence and a DVD has been received from Eversheds.on behalf of the appellant.

7. **To Resolve Village Matters** Mrs Leach agreed to write a newsletter article reminding residents to ensure their hedges don't encroach on footpaths. Clerk to ask NL Council if three cuts could be made next season on the Station Road verges instead of two.

8. **To Resolve Highways & Transport Matters**

i Potholes. The poor state of Thornton Road – College Road has been reported to the Highways Dept.

ii Thornton Curtis Animal Feeds. No response has been received to the Parish Council's request regarding the HGVs. Clerk was requested to contact the planning department again to see when the change of use application will be received.

9. **To Consider Planning Applications**. None received.

10. **To Resolve Environmental Issues** The dog warden has visited Station Road following a complaint from a resident over dog fouling. Cllr Couch agreed to put an article in the newsletter reminding dog walkers of their responsibilities and suggesting that anyone can take a photograph and make a report to the Dog Warden.

11. **To Consider Correspondence** No correspondence had been received. Cllr Brixton confirmed he had written a letter of thanks to Mr Humphries for his grass cutting.

12 **To Resolve Accounts & Financial Matters**

i Bill for speed sign £503.03 .Cllr Grainer proposed payment, Cllr Davey seconded.and unanimously resolved.

ii Bill for Church electricity. £253.55. Cllr Couch proposed payment using money from the Village Fund, which could be repaid from next year's precept. Cllr Davey seconded and unanimously resolved. Cllr Couch agreed to ask the PCC for copies of previous bills and to look at options for cutting costs in the future.

iii Audit Commission £60.00. Cllr Grainer proposed payment, Cllr Davey seconded and unanimously resolved.

iv.The Annual Return for the year ending 31 March 2012 has been received back from the External Auditors.

13. **To Consider the Agenda for next meeting** Precept.

14. **To Resolve the date and time of next meeting** The next meeting will be held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2013 at 8pm in the Thornton Hunt Inn. There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.10pm.