

THORNTON CURTIS PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Thornton Curtis Parish Council held at 8.00 pm on Monday 9th March 2015 in St Lawrence's Church, Main Street, Thornton Curtis.

Present: In the Chair: Cllr R Brixton, Cllr C. Couch, Cllr S Leach, Cllr A Tulloch,
Cllr E Davey, Cllr I Whelpton
Attending: Mrs C. Tooby (clerk)

1. **To Note Apologies for Absence.** Cllr P Grainger, Ferry Ward Cllrs P Clark and D Wells.
2. **To Note Declarations of Interest.** Cllr Leach declared a pecuniary interest in item 5, i.
3. **To Receive Public Participation.** There were no members of the public present.
4. **To Resolve the Minutes of the Previous Meeting.** The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 5th January 2015 were proposed by Cllr Couch as a true and correct record. Seconded by Cllr Leach and resolved.
5. **To Resolve Matters Arising.**
 - i. Hilly Pits. The refusal of WD 2014/0339 by the planning committee was noted, and discussions took place regarding the appeal process. It was resolved that the clerk should contact the Environmental Health and Environments Team at NL Council to enquire whether the recent dumping of horse manure at the site constituted a statutory nuisance and contravened the Habitats Regulations for great crested newts.
 - ii BCCRP. Cllr Brixton gave an update from the meeting on 3rd March. The franchise is due to change in 2017, and sections will be closed after Christmas 2015 for 17 days for modifications between Habrough and Grimsby.
 - iii College Road polytunnels. It was agreed to put this item on hold due to the recent vandalism of the polytunnels which has killed all the fish.
 - iv College Road solar panels. As above.
 - v The Grange. Clerk was requested to chase up the Highways Dept regarding the front highways boundary.
 - vi Station Road hedge trimming/weed control. Clerk to ask Cllr Wells to chase this up. Clerk to request the occupants of Spruce Lodge to cut back the hedge width from the path surface.
 - vii A1077 footpath weed control. Clerk to ask Cllr Wells to chase this up.
 - viii Thornton Abbey picnic site. The bridge is still in the workshop.
 - ix Refurbishment of benches – Cllr Couch agreed to pursue this now the weather has improved.
 - x Public Defibrillator/training day. Clerk was requested to obtain a date for the training day, and Cllr Couch agreed to put this in the newsletter. Clerk to enquire when the defibrillator unit will be installed.

- xi Noticeboard. The order has been placed and should arrive this month.
- xii Broadband/Virgin Media. Fibre Optic broadband should be available by the end of March, but may not reach the bulk of the village. Cllr Brixton agreed to pursue this item.
- xiii Replacement 30 mph sign Burnham Lane and clearance of 30 mph sign A1077 has been completed. Clerk to follow up the request for a new Main Street nameplate.
- ix Hedge at Champions Gate. The hedge still needs trimming on the roadside. Clerk to follow up.

6. To resolve Police Matters.

- i. Ferry NATs meeting. Cllr Grainger attended the last meeting to report the early morning car nuisance. Officers have since attended but observed no offence; however the issue has lessened since their attendance.

7. To Resolve Village Matters

- i Play area grass cutting/hedge trimming. It was resolved to request Andy James to continue with the grass cutting. The hedge trimming work will be completed shortly.
- ii Lychgate. The new gates have been completed, and work is continuing on the framework and roof tiles.
- iii Best Kept Village Competition. It was agreed not to enter this year's competition.

8. To Resolve Highways & Transport Matters It was agreed that the cost of a new village sign would be prohibitive.

9. Planning None.

10. To Resolve Environmental Issues. None.

11. To Consider Any Correspondence

- i. LIVES. Request for financial assistance. Cllr Couch proposed a donation of £50. Seconded by Cllr Tulloch and resolved.

12. To Resolve Accounts & Financial Matters Cllr Couch resolved the following payments, Seconded by Cllr Whelpton and resolved: Clerk £93.30

13. Parish council Election – 7th May 2015. Election papers were distributed and completed. Elections will take place on 7th May, with St Lawrence's Church as the polling station venue.

14. To Consider the Agenda for next meeting. Items to the clerk at least a week beforehand.

15. To Resolve the Date and Time of next meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.50 pm. Next meeting will be held on Monday 11th May 2015 at St Lawrence's Church, Main Street.