### THORNTON CURTIS PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

### 11 January 2022

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#### In Attendance:

Cllr Leach (Chair, Acting Clerk), Cllrs Couch, Davey, Hargreaves. Miss Maltas, (Co-opted Councillor)

### 21/22 -72 Apologies

M Hoggard (Clerk), Cllrs Clark, Wells, Hannigan (Ward Councillors), Cllrs Evans, Brixton

### 21/22 - 73 Declarations of interest

None

## 21/22 - 74. Application for Co-option

One applicant Miss Lucinda May Maltas. Duties of a Parish Councillor explained including specific details of Thornton Curtis PC. Also handed out guide to Parish Councillors and pointed towards details on our website and Good Councillors Guide on Internet. It was proposed that Miss Maltas be co-opted onto the Council – Proposer Cllr Couch, Seconder Cllr Hargreaves, unanimous. Miss Maltas signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office. Register of Interest requires completion.

## 21/22 - 75. Public Participation

None

### 21/22 - 76. Minutes 9.11.21

Cllr Davey proposed accepting as a true record, seconded by Cllr Couch. Unanimous.

#### 21/22 - 77. Station Road Footpath

Update from Mick Johnson NLC. We will contact him to reiterate that it was agreed that the path would be completed in its entirety without any breaks. There appear to be some breaks at present which is not acceptable.

## 21/22 - 78. Police Matters

None

## 21/22 - 79. Village Matters

i. Verges/PROW. – No quotes received as yet. Mark Nettleton has been chased several times. Cllr Davey has advised that he has approached a local contractor who is very interest and he will contact the Chairman for further details.

Andrew Gardner advised hedge on FP 130 would be cut back – not done, to be chased.

ii. Parish Noticeboard/Seats – Cllr Couch advised that Mr Couch will remove the seats, with assistance, and also refurbish noticeboard when time allows. Clerk not in attendance so no info on Roger Bucknall potential quotes or catalogue details for purchasing seats. Cllr Hargreaves has had

some work done and will approach carpenter to see whether he can provide quote for provision of a replacement seat.

## iii. Playing field / play equipment/insurance

Cllr Couch gave an update advising that various play items are being renovated with volunteers from the village. There will be further items required eg rubbish bins, signage, also additional stepping stones etc and picnic table. It was confirmed that previous concerns regarding insurance have been clarified and we are happy with the existing arrangements.

#### iv. KCOM

There has been no further response from KCOM. Cllr Evans has offered to contact and liaise with them. Agreed

# 21/22 - 80. Highway Matters

#### i. BCCRP

Letter received advising improvements to be made to the station including resurfacing platform and improvements to railings. Cllr Brixton has advised there is funding available from BCCRP to replace planters and including compost, planting etc. This has been applied for. In the meantime, Cllr Couch will purchase 4 planters in the sale and request a refund at a later date if/when the funding is granted. Cllr Leach also advised that she has applied for a Spring in Bloom grant from NLC for planters for the acre shrubs which were gifted from Thornton Curtis WI.

#### ii. Goxhill Road

Cllr Hannigan has advised that this issue is still being pursued although there is no firm action plan at present. Cllr Hargreaves has requested that we ask Cllr Hannigan to chase particularly in view of the ongoing deterioration and one area is in danger of collapsing where is very little verge near the ditch near Cllr Hargreaves farm.

### iii. Thornton Road Burnham

A parishioner has approached Cllr Hannigan regarding the admittedly extremely poor condition of this road, particularly from the top of Burnham Hill to the underpass. Although some remedial work appears to have been undertaken it is not sufficient and we are to request that this is revisited.

## 21/22 - 81. Picnic Area

The bales have been removed from the picnic area and the trees have been pruned and woodchipped, with the pond area being tidied. Although there is still no barrier, there are warning bollards. This item can be removed from the agenda.

### 21/22 - 82. Correspondence

None

## 21/22 - 83. Precept 2022/23

It was agreed to request the suggested precept of £2614.00

## 21/22 - 84. Accounts & Finance Matters

| Payments           | *Paid ref. minute 21/22-11 ii.             | Excl. VAT    | VAT    | Total   |
|--------------------|--|--------------|--------|---------|
| M.Nettleton        | Hedges/Path Play field/29.11.21            | £145.83      | £29.17 | £175.00 |
| BCCRP              | Membership 2022                            | £10.00       |        | £10.00  |
| St Lawrence<br>PCC | To be agreed – minute ref. to be confirmed | £130.00      |        | £130.00 |
| M. Hoggard         | Nov/Dec wages                              | As approved. |        |         |
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It has been established that in 2013 the PC proposed that a set amount of £80 pa be paid towards the church floodlighting, this was agreed by the PCC. Therefore, an amount of £80 will be paid to the PCC this time. It was requested that the PCC discuss how best they wish to claim amounts in future. It was suggested that the PC pay the PCC for the hire of the church for our meetings. This is to be taken to the next PCC meeting.

It was resolved that the payments be made after amending the payment to the PCC to £80. Proposed Cllr Couch, seconded Cllr Davey – unanimous.

## 21/22 - 85. Planning Matters

None

## 21/22 - 86. Agenda for the next meeting

Church Room Hire

Church Floodlighting

Jubilee Event – Lucinda also to enquire whether there is any funding available 30 mph signs on Main Street

Other items to the Clerk at least 1 week before the next meeting

# 21/22 - 87. Date/time of next meeting

Tuesday, 1st March 2022 @ 6 pm St Lawrence Church

## 21/22 - 88. Exclusion Press and Public

To consider exemption of press and public for the remainder of meeting under Public Bodies Admissions to Meetings Act 1960 (Section 1(2)) on the grounds that discussion of the following business is likely to disclose confidential information.

None

# 21/22 - 89. To approve salary payment

Proposed Cllr Couch, seconded Cllr Hargreaves - unanimous