

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THORPE SALVIN PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH ON MONDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 7.00PM**

**Present:** Cllrs. Mr J Cox (Vice-chair), Ms M Johnson, Mr A Colclough and Mr L Hutchinson

**In Attendance:** The Clerk to the Council and 4 members of the public.

### **178.19 To receive any apologies for absence**

There were no apologies.

### **179.19 To Welcome the new clerk**

a) Councillor Cox welcomed and introduced the new clerk Mary Welch explaining that the previous clerk had left less than a month ago.

b) Lesley Hayes took leave of absence and has decided to resign as Chairman and Councillor.

c) Thanks were recorded for the tremendous amount of work Lesley had done.

d) Thanks were also recorded for Les Wheatley who had helped Marilyn and everyone for their support.

e/f/g) Contact details will be updated in the noticeboards and on the web site.

### **180.19 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 12 August 2019**

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 August, which had previously been circulated to members, were amended at 170.19 to clarify members did not want to adopt that policy but did not say they did not want a policy, the minutes were then confirmed as a true record.

### **181.19 To identify any agenda items from which the press and public should be excluded due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.**

There were no items.

### **182.19 Declarations of interests**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **183.19 Adjournment for Comments or questions from members of the public**

There was discussion about getting someone to help in the village and this will be discussed further at the next meeting. Councillor Colclough said the jobs should be done by the most suitable person rather than engaging a handyman.

Verges through the parish were discussed as it was felt that they should be kept tidy. It was suggested that Terry should join councillors Cox and Colclough to go through the village doing an audit and prioritising work so that some can be included in the budget next year and grants can also be looked into.

Footpaths were reported as having been neglected by the Borough and should be cut twice although this year they have only been cut once and a strimmer was used. The area Hawkeswood is still not being done the hedge between the field and the wood is overgrown and there will be nowhere to walk when the field is ploughed.

The new kissing gate was discussed as it still has not been installed. Councillor Cox will send an email chasing this up tomorrow.

Councillors were asked about the highway drain near the church had been cleaned out, Councillor Cox will make enquiries.

### **184.19 Appointment of Chair**

Councillor Johnson proposed Councillor Cox, seconded by Councillor Hutchinson and all agreed, the declaration was signed.

### **185.19 Recruitment of a new Councillor – process/notice**

The clerk has circulated details, requested a notice for the noticeboards and has prepared an application form it was agreed details will also be put on the website.

### **186.19 To consider planning matters**

#### **a)RB2019/1299 Kiveton Park**

The application was discussed and the Chairman proposed objections be sent in the same as last time as it has not been used for many years and has become a right of way. Councillor Hutchinson drew attention to the access problems for vehicles.

#### **b)RB2019/1246 – Change of use to Dwelling House (C3) for the barn west of 80 Common Road**

Councillors unanimously agreed to refer to what had gone on previously and also to draw attention to the fact that the drawing provided already has the windows shown.

### **186.19 To consider matters relating to Sorby Field**

**a) Insurances** – Councillor Cox has discussed the issues with insurers but has not been able to achieve full cover.

**Resolved** - Councillors agreed to renew the current policy as discussed at the last meeting and a cheque was signed for £380.60.

### **b) Tree – letter from previous meeting**

**Resolved** - Councillors Cox and Colclough will arrange to meet Neil Archer from Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council to arrange dates to walk round and look at the trees. The dead tree in the middle of the hedge was discussed and the possibility of asking a tree surgeon to look at it. It was thought this may be in the conservation area, Councillor Johnson will pass on the name of the person who deals with trees.

**c) See-Saw** - This has disappeared and can be included on the audit list. We have received the Play Equipment Report but it did not contain any real risk to be dealt with urgently.

**d) Fun in the Park** – An automated reply has been received from the insurers who were sent details.

### **187.19 Correspondence**

This has been circulated by the clerk.

Community Infrastructure Levy Seminar – Councillor Cox would like to attend on 8<sup>th</sup> October.

A poster for an event on Saturday was received.

We have received the second part of the precept from Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council £4743.

Parking at the Station and on Manor Road will be on the next agenda.

### **188.19 Ladyfield Road RMBC owned house**

This has been discussed with the officer from Rotherham who will look at it again.

### **189.19 Date change for the October meeting – 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

The meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.

Signed