

Agenda Threshfield Parish Council Meeting Thursday May 16th 2019.

1. **Present:** Cllr. J. Dean, (Chairman); Cllr. J. Clarke, (vice-chair), Cllr. A. Dean; Cllr. H. Randall; Cllr. R. Bradley ; S. Bloomfield (clerk) and 12 residents.
2. **To receive any declarations of interest under the Council's code of conduct.** *None*
3. **To receive and approve apologies for absence:** Cllr. G. Quinn -approved
4. **To receive and approve Minutes of Council Meeting January 17th 2019:** Minutes approved and signed.
5. **To plan council priorities for year 2019-2020.** Threshfield has 3 projects to fund- Road safety, possible purchase of VAS, purchase of Bus shelter opposite Wharfedale School and maintenance of Railway. Costs for all three would be in region of £6000.
. It was resolved to ask
 - Webbers to undertake essential maintenance of Woodland on Old Railway Line.
 - Go ahead with bus shelter
 - Investigate further possible assistance funding support for VAS sign on Station Road
6. **To receive information on the following on-going issues and decide further action where necessary.**
 - a) Old Railway Line: management plan/fencing/ tree report/ grant. Clerk has received several email & letters regarding old Railway line. Cllr. Bradley to lead a working party to tidy undergrowth and make footpath accessible.
 - b) Lighting Issues: Light at top Monkholme still not working (near Holme Croft). A resident enquired about how dark it was after 11pm around Threshfield. Clerk explained this was Craven and Highways policy to save energy cost, which still reached around £1800 per annum for the lights we have.
 - c) Pot holes: Some potholes that were on cycle race route had been done, but others are breaking up and several have been marked preparatory to filling.
 - d) Road safety : Police continue to monitor speeding through Threshfield on a weekly basis.
 - e) Bus shelter : A grant of £100 has been received towards this project and thanks to County Cllr. Quinn for her assistance with this. Planning permission has been sent in for this project, which has support from residents in house adjacent to the proposed shelter.

6: To receive and approve Planning applications:

- a) C/71/157Q: Ellis Laithe Barn: conversion barn to agricultural dwelling. Amended plans. Council has no objection to the amended plans.

7: To report Planning decisions.:

- a) C/ 71/ 321: Badger Gate: construction of rear extension approved conditionally
- b) C/71/322: Woodlands Terrace, demolition porch & construction single storey front extension: Approved conditionally
- c) C/71/ Nethermost Hall, objected by council and planning authority. Owners appealed to Secretary of State
- d) C/71/84N Lodges- Long Ashes approved conditionally.
- e) Tree Preservation Order: received May 15th, 5 trees round Nethermost Hall.

8:Financial Matters;

- i)To approve payments made between meetings. None made.
- ii)To approve accounts for payment: clerk pay & expenses, clerk travel expenses to finance course-80 miles. YLCA membership & Designs Beck cottage payment website £182. All payments approved
- iii) To report receipts since last meeting: Wayleave rent, allotment rents
- iv)To approve financial Statement to May 12th 2019

10. Matters raised by Clerk.

- a) Skirethorns lane speeding restriction. Police will not lift this & were grateful for tip off that it may be an area of speeding.
- b) Complaints regarding fencing behind Woodland Terrace Garage residents who have erected this fencing have done so to alleviate problem of leaves from the old railway line in autumn and to obscure view of a neighbouring barn. However residents who actually look out on this fencing and walk past would like clarification on the approvals granted for the fencing and if it complies with height restrictions, and whether approval given by National Parks to remove hedging plants. as they believe it is an eyesore. **Action:** Clerk to follow up with National Park
- c) Request from Threshfield Court for Dead wooding and clearing of saplings/ lower branches so residents can enjoy view from gardens. For the old Railway line. It was suggested that the clerk write to Threshfield court to ask if they would like to contribute to the cost of this project as it will benefit their residents. This is part of the dead wooding
- d) Requests various working party to tidy undergrowth along old Railway line. **Action:** Clerk to write to Threshfield Court Manager
- e) Councillors input to Small grant submission for Railway line. A grant form had been submitted but YDNP came back with further questions. Clerk asked for councillors input to answer additional questions. **Action:** Councillors to respond to clerk by June 1st. so there views can be submitted with the additional forms.
- f) response from Grassington Angling club regarding cutting back Ivy on Station Road. Residents have been very positive about this. **Action:** Clerk to write and thank Angling Club for their assistance.

11. Matters requested by Councillors: Non received from councillors prior to meeting. Cllr. Bradley raised questions of drains still not cleared on Station Road, Piecefields. Thanks recorded to Tarmac for now road cleaning around Threshfield. Cllr A. Dean briefed council and residents about the Community Rural watch, working with Police to combat rural crime.**Action:** Clerk to write to Tarmac and thank them, also contact Highways regarding drains.

13. To receive correspondence & discuss any action required by council

- a) Chief Executive update (circulated by email)
- b) YLCA updates.
- c) Training schedule for June-November. Presented Clerk to attend training updates. Finance and VAT procedures.

14. To receive reports from outside agencies: None received.

15. To consider date of next meeting of the Council : Thursday July 11th 7:30pm

Public Participation: Residents again concerned about parking outside Hedgerow shop and in entrance to Piecefields. Several near misses reported. Council stated Hedgerow staff have done all they can to alleviate the problem and should be thanked for their new carpark , entrance to shopetc. Residents are still concerned about lack yellow lines outside the shop. Cllr. Clarke pointed out it is a traffic offence to park opposite a junction, but police resources too stretched to enforce this. A resident agreed who had approached a policeman on this issue who had pointed out it was difficult to enforce. **Action:** Clerk to thank Hedgerow for their efforts, write again to school regarding parental parking and invite our local police officer to next meeting.

S. Bloomfield , Clerk

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