

Tanfield Parish Council

MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: Wednesday 24th February, 2021
TIME: 19.00 hrs
LOCATION: Virtual via zoom
PRESENT: Councillors David Dumbleton (Chairman), Peter Hull, Peter Leonard, Judi Horner and Laura Wildwood.
IN ATTENDANCE: Alison E Carter (Clerk)
PRESENT Hambleton District Councillor David Webster

1. **WELCOME FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**
Councillor Dumbleton welcomed all to the meeting.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**
There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.
3. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR STATEMENTS** – None received.
4. **APOLOGIES TO BE RECEIVED AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE ACCEPTED**
No apologies received.
5. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** – The minutes of the meeting held on 13 January, 2021, were agreed as a true record and signed by David Dumbleton, the Chairman.
6. **INSPECTION OF PARISH PLAYGROUNDS** – To note generally the swing parks are in good order. All the swing parks were in the low/medium risk. In the low-risk category was the items on the timber trail being in poor condition and will eventually need replacing in West Tanfield. As well as some of the fence posts around a section of the swing park in Nosterfield.
7. **GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT** – Two tenders have been received, for the three-year contract for grass cutting in the Parish. The Parish Council considered the two tenders and had further queries with regards to one of the tenders. It was resolved that the Parish Clerk would request clarification and circulate the details for an agreement to be made at the March Meeting.
8. **CORRESPONDENCE** – The Clerk reported on items received, in late January and early February, 2021 as previously circulated to Councillors. Correspondence to note: The Sanctuary Housing at Nosterfield, the works by NYCC Highways in West Tanfield, The Police Fire and Crime Commissioner Local Elections taking place on 6 May, 2021. The request from Snape with Thorp Parish Council with regards to the speed activated equipment, Tanfield Parish Council decided against the request to consider, joint purchase and use of appropriate equipment. The latest White Rose Newsletter from Yorkshire Local Councils Association, note the article regarding the regulations that allow local authorities to hold meetings remotely, without any further action, from the 7 May, 2021, the Parish Council must return to face-to-face meetings. National Associations of Local Councils is working with a number of national bodies to press the government to extend the regulations beyond this date.
The Parish Councillors agreed that there was no longer a need for the Parish Clerk to provide a list of all correspondence circulated prior to the Parish Council meeting. In future a summary of urgent/important correspondence will be prepared by the Parish Clerk.
9. **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**
 - 9.1 Consultation on the following applications:
Planning Application 21/00301/FUL – Side and rear extension, triple garage and drive extension – Elland, Thornborough, North Yorkshire, DL8 2RA. It was agreed the Parish Council has no objections.
 - 9.2 The following planning applications were received for consultation since the circulation of the agenda:
Application for the removal of 10m of hedgerow (to allow for access) Chapel Hill Farm, Thornborough, North Yorkshire, DL8 2RD – Application 21/00416/HNA. It was agreed that the Parish Council has no objections, however, the Parish Council would like to see 10m of new hedgerow, planted in the area.
 - 9.3 No updates or decisions on applications, appeals and enforcement investigations received since the last meeting.
10. **NEXT MEETINGS** - The date of the next Parish Council meetings as being on Wednesday 17 March, 2021, Planning Meeting and Wednesday 14th April, 2021 Ordinary Parish Meeting.
11. **ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE NEXT MEETING**
Litter picking in the Parish.
External Audit of Accounts
Parish Council Website
Insurance renewal for the Parish

Meeting closed at 19.43 hrs.

These minutes were recorded and prepared by Alison E Carter, Clerk to the Parish Council.

SIGNED:(Chairman)

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