



The Minutes of The March ~~2015~~ Meeting of Thornton le Moors Parish Council  
held in Holly Lodge (kind permission of Essar) on March 25th 2015

Apologies for absence: No apologies all present

Minutes of January Meeting agreed and signed.

**Matters Arising**

**Precept** Advised by CWAC that to keep increase to 0% we were to percept for £1648  
Not £1700 . This was done

**New Building Grant** £1240.00+ can be spent on anything—suggestion Play park

**Charge for Elections** All Parishes are to pay for elections even if they are not having one.

**Grants for Rooms**

CWAC have agreed in principle to grant £20,000 towards newbuild extension on Parish Room.

There are certain caveats mainly re Wren Grant application and Match Funding from an outside body

Application to be in by July 1st

Steve Easton reported that Essar have indicated a willingness to undertake Match Funding

**Bus** A new twice a week bus is being set up but on a basis of use it or lose it Tuesdays to Ellesmere Port, Thursdays to Frodsham Market ...will allow 2 hours shopping before return journey...needs to be booked day before.

**Newsletter** Clerk has offered to produce it providing someone will distribute...Anne and Lizzie volunteered.

**Bank** Agreed to apply for a ceque book account with RBS in accordance wiityh heir terms and conditions as summarised on p10 of the application

**Fundraising** Clerk proposed consideration be given to easy fundraising org and people be asked to use it and credit money to Rooms running Fund.

**Essar** Steve reported on meetings with Essar, their wish to consider us as their closest neighbour and give us what assistance they can.  
They are proposing to turn Holly Lodge into a children's education centre  
Are negotiating to have Soldiers Lane closed reducing Fly Tipping..  
Are negotiating for reduction in speed limit on A5117.


**Next Meeting** Within 2 weeks of the Elections



The Minutes of the 2015 Annual General Meeting of Thornton Le Moors Parish Council  
May 20th 2015


- 1 Present...3 elected Councillors and two to be co-opted
- 2 Election of Chairman for forthcoming year: Stephen Easton
- 3 Co-option of Anne Robertson and Angela Kelbrick
- 4 Election of Vice Chairman: Lizzie Wiffen
- 5 Reaffirmation of Adoption of code of Conduct.
- 6 Declaration of Interest.....forms distributed for completion
- 7 Appointment of Internal Auditor....Parrots of Macclesfield#
- 8 signatories for Bank Account confirmed: S. Easton, A Roberston, A Kelbrick
- 9 Insurance agreed and cheque signed.
- 10 risk assessments agreed
- 11 Planning and Finance Committee ...as so small all members
- 12 Appointment of Stephen Easton as Representative to Essar Committee
- 13 Other Business:  
Lizzie Wiffen pointed out problems with overhanging branches fro Essar Wood at side of A5117. Steve said he would be talking to Essar and would bring it up.
- 14 councillors have received comments about Hayrack Farm
  - A] apparently build and develop as they want with no planning permission whereas others in the village an go thru the mill!
  - B] querying size of sign on A5117
  - C] Slurry being run off onto Thornton Green Lane
  - D] Parking on Thornton Green Lane causing problems to traffic in and out of village.
  - E] Parking on Cycletrack/pedestrian path at side of A5117
  - F] Peo-ple understand that Planning Permission was granted for Farm and Tack Shop but not for Café or Animal Park and the Aviaries and other buildings.

Clerk asked to write to Planning Department for clarification.

 20/6/15

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council  
of Thornton Le Moors, held on October 14<sup>th</sup> 2015

- 1 **Air Quality Meeting**.....attended by Steve Easton. Reported on outcome of monitors in field at bottom of Park Lane, and readings from previous location in Parish Room. While there have been exceedences in the past two years, they do not exceed UK regulations nor are they all from Essar. However, Thornton Le Moors is in direct line for any from Essar..
- 2 **Isgas**....placed a monitor for seismic exploration in the Playpark. Similar monitors have been placed in garden of villagers. All have received compensation. The PC received £500. Money which can be used towards getting Playpark to a safer standard. Seismic monitoring is not the same as fracking, though some consider the forerunner.
- 3 **Wren**..... Application has too be resubmitted, some small errors picked up on application. New application to go in for December.
- 4 **Builders**....have done more than was asked for, without any agreement.. This could jeopardise Wren application. Builders seeking payment of work they have done but were not asked to do. Have been told that this will be paid when grants are given, though they may have reduced the amount of grant we can have.
- 5 **Telephone Kiosk**....We own it. Angela and Anne have offered to organise its use etc.
- 6 **Planning Application...Holly Bank**....All in favour, Angela queried parking spaces...Steve explained layout proposed.
- 7 **Cheques:** BDO Accountants £120.00.....playground Inspection £48.00
- 8 **Next Meeting**...December.

 2/Dec 2015 -

Minutes of the Meeting of Thornton Le Moors Parish Council held on  
Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015.

1. Apologies for Absence.....all Councillors present  
Also present Cllr Steven Smith and representatives of Frack Free Dee.
2. Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.  
Concern expressed that the go ahead had been given for seismic testing in the playpark area.
3. Update on WREN Application.....final application has been submitted.. we sit and wait.
4. Update on Hall refurbishment.....everything has been held up till the Wren decision is made...unfortunately with the builder doing more work than was asked we have had to apply for less and wait longer.
5. Presentation about some of the work of the Wildlife Trust. Surveys of wildlife plants etc. How increase with the clean up of the Gowy etc.
6. Frack Free Dee made their case to object to fracking in the area. Quoting what had happened in America in the past, and their fears that the same might happen in the future in Uk.
7. Telephone Kiosk...Anne and Angela have undertaken to carry out a survey for use and whip up enthusiasm for its maintenance.
8. Bench on Green has been vandalised. Steve said that the late Stan Boddy's family wished to mark his life in the village with a bench, perhaps it would be good to place it here. He would talk to the family.
9. Update on Hayrack Farm. Clerk asked to give a precis of the history and position at moment.  
Owners have been served with Enforcement Notice have till December 16<sup>th</sup> to appeal. If appeal is made Neighbours and Parish council will be invited to comment and make any recommendations or objections they think appropriate.
10. Website... local councils are now obliged to have a website for the sake of "transparency".  
Discussions on whether to ask to have a page on Eton's or go for our own. Clerk pointed out that grants are available to set it up for ourselves. To be looked into to assess which is best for us.
11. Playpark.... Something must be done for safety and use by the children. Lizzie Wiffen volunteered to undertake this. Clerk suggested that the simplest lottery Grant "Award for All" which gives up to £10000 could be a quick way to start. Something needs doing quickly.
12. Cllr Steve Smith;  
Has been speaking to Highways about problem of crossing A5117.... It is proposed that a safety island be created in middle of road.  
Slow Down signs and 30mph signs for village are also under consideration.  
Steve has also offered to look into the possibility of getting two flower troughs with the village name on and if possible buying them for the village.



**Minutes of the Meeting of Thornton Le Moors Parish Council  
held in Holly Bank, Pool Lane, Thornton Le Moors  
on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2016**

- 1 All councillors present
- 2 The Co-option onto the Parish Council of Claire Jakeman (1 Bents Cottages) and Claire Wright (9 Yew Tree Close). Unanimous agreement  
This brings the members to full number of 6
- 3 The Wren Application has passed first hurdle and now is to be put to Directors, Decision will be made in early March
- 4 Telephone Kiosk.... Anne Robertson reports that she put a lot of leaflets around the village, but as yet no replies.
- 5 Plans for refurb of Playpark and progress of fund application by Lizzie Wiffen....No progress yet.
6. Update on website Planning....Claire Jakeman. Information been gathered on various website writers, style appearance, costs etc. Should have formal recommendation for next meeting.
7. To set the Parish Precept for 2016-2017. Cllr Steve Smith pointed out that the maximum increase we could request would be 2% (overall £34.00). In view of this the Clerk recommended that we keep to the same amount as last year....this will cover all our known costs and allow some £500 for emergencies. This recommendation was adopted. The Precept to be set £1700, approved unanimously.
8. Hayrack/Church Farm Planning application. The application has been submitted and the Parish Council may comment on it. Based on the Plans and statement submitted, the PC agreed its comments and objections (this is attached). Clerk to submit by 18<sup>th</sup>.
9. Cllr smith has agreed to pay for two Planters for entrances to village. These will be supplied and installed but Parish Council have responsibility of planting and maintenance.  
Claire Wright has undertaken to look after tem. And also to tidy up the old ones and rearrange their positioning.
- 10 Cllr Smith also reported on various matters he has been looking after for us....e.g a5117, Bent Road Signs etc
- 11 Next Meeting March 16<sup>th</sup>.

