

THORNTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Council Held on Monday, 2nd March 2020 at Holy Family High School

Present: Cllrs: McGill (Chair), O'Keeffe, Donegan, Pennington and White

In Attendance: Mr Dave Kitchin, Head of Services, NWAS
Mr Dave McNally, Community Engagement Manager, NWAS
Mrs V Swift (Clerk)

1524: Apologies for Absence

Apology for absence was received from Cllr. Atkinson.
No apology for absence was received from Cllr. Dixon.

1525: Declaration of Interest - Members are requested to give notice of any pecuniary interest relating to any item on the agenda.
None

1526: Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting

RESOLVED: That the minutes of an Ordinary Meeting held on Monday, 3rd February 2020, be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

1527: Matters arising from Minutes (for information only)
None

1528: Public Participation

The meeting was adjourned at 19:05 for a period of public participation. The Chairman welcomed to the meeting 16 members of the public and two guest speakers, Mr Dave Kitchin and Mr Dave McNally, from the North West Ambulance Service.

The two Daves delivered an interesting and informative presentation on the vital work of the NWAS: covering a population of 7.5 million, across an area of 5,500 square miles, through the emergency 999 service, NHS111 and non-emergency patient transport service. Responding to 1000-1150 calls per day, with 'category 1' calls (cardiac or respiratory arrest) having an average response time of 7 minutes. Their vision is to deliver the right care, at the right time, in the right place; every time. For more information on NWAS click: <https://www.nwas.nhs.uk/>

Residents discussed the following:

- Number of public freely accessible defibrillators in the Thornton area
- Map/list identifying gaps in the local area not covered by AEDs
- How to access secured AEDs (key coded/locked cabinets)
- Training/experience needed to become a community first responder
- Training/experience needed to become a volunteer car driver
- Why defibrillators are not mandatory in public buildings
- Can anyone access an AED and are they user friendly
- Cardiac arrest survival rates: 9:1% without early CPR and defibrillation
- Cardiac arrest survival rates: 42.6% with early CPR and defibrillation
- They won't save everyone, but they do give everyone a fighting chance

RESOLVED: That Cllr. O'Keeffe to consult with Dave McNally, NWAS Community Engagement Manager, on a map/list of defibrillators in the L23 area.

The meeting was reconvened at 19:45.

1529: Flooding on Lydiate and Runnells Lane

Cllr. Pennington reported on land drainage/flooding issues at the site of David Wilson Homes (Barratt's) development, known as Sundial Place. Stating, "Recent heavy rain has left the building site and adjacent fields flooded with water spilling into gardens of residents on Lydiate and Runnells Lane, also flooding nearby roads. The area looks like an inland sea due to the volume of water that is held on the land."

RESOLVED:

- (a) That Cllr. Pennington to invite SLPC councillors and residents to an informal meeting to discuss the impact of drainage/flooding issues at Sundial Place.
- (b) That Cllr. Pennington to lodge a complaint with Sefton Planning Enforcement Officer to find a full resolution to the drainage/flooding issues at Sundial Place.

1530: Road Traffic collisions and speeding on Moor Lane, The Crescent, Green Lane and Hartdale Road

Cllr. Pennington led discussions on Thornton's road traffic issues, including:

- Fatality junction Moor Lane/Edge Lane; two car crash junction Green Lane/Park View; RTA involving a schoolboy junction Virgins Lane/Moor Lane
- Road closures, volume of traffic, rat-run through The Crescent and speeding
- Sefton Highways to conduct a traffic and pedestrian survey in response to the request for a pedestrian crossing to be located near St Joseph's Hospice

RESOLVED:

- (a) That Cllr. Pennington to press Ward Cllr. McGinnity to look into traffic issues around Edge Lane, The Crescent, Moor Lane and Green Lane area.
- (b) That Cllr. O'Keeffe to press Dr Stephen Birch for a response on the timescales of the introduction of planned changes to the Moor Lane/Edge Lane signals.

1531: Funding Application: Brooms Wayside Cross

Noted: Grant application for the cost of the restoration of Brooms Wayside Cross, a plaque and signage will be made to Manor Ward Councillors and not to Sefton Borough of Culture 2020 as previously reported.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That Cllr. Donegan to complete a Manor Ward Grant Application for the cost of restoration of Brooms Wayside Cross, a plaque and signage.
- (b) That Cllr. Donegan to continue to press Sefton Highways on the maintenance of Brooms Cross Path and clearance of Japanese Knotweed from Holgate.

1532: Air Quality: 'No-Idling' Initiative

Cllr. O'Keeffe reported on a positive response to the 'No-Idling' Around Schools Initiative from St William of York Catholic Primary School.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. O'Keeffe to pass the contact details of the schools Airwatch scheme to Mr Murphy, Headteacher of St William of York Catholic Primary School.

1533: Roll of Honour WW1 and WW2

Cllr. O'Keeffe updated members on the progress of research so far on the Roll of Honour. This research is ongoing.

1534: Link between Virgins Lane Thornton and Battle

Cllr. O'Keeffe updated members on the progress of research so far on the link between Virgins Lane, Thornton and Battle. This research is ongoing.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That Cllr. O'Keeffe to contact the Midweek Visiter and Crosby Champion to take a photo of Virgins Lane, Thornton.
- (b) That Cllr. O'Keeffe to contact Battle & District Historical Society to take a photo of Virgins Lane, Battle.
- (c) That Cllr. O'Keeffe to contact tom.martin@champnews.com to make a public appeal in the local newspaper for anyone with information or ideas as to the origins of Virgins Lane Thornton or links with Virgins Lane Battle.

1535: Merseyside Police Crime Alerts

The Clerk read out correspondence received from Merseyside Police.
For information only.

1536: Planning Applications

The Clerk read out correspondence received from Sefton's Planning Departments.
For information only.

1537: Accounts for Payment

Cheque No: 000685 for the sum of £230.75.

RESOLVED: That the account set out above be paid.

1538: Date and Time of Next Meeting

Monday, 6th April 2020 at Holy Family High School at 7:00pm.

1539: Deadline for Agenda Items

Monday, 30th March 2020.

Signed

Date

(Chairman)