

**THORNTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Council**  
**held on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021**  
**via Zoom Video Conferencing**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. McGill (Chair)  
Cllr. O'Keeffe  
Cllr. Pennington  
Cllr. Donegan  
Cllr. White

**ALSO PRESENT:** Cllr. Kelly (Manor Ward)  
Mrs V Swift (Clerk)  
5 Members of the Public

**1759: HRH DUKE OF EDINBURGH**  
Members observed a minute's silence in memory of HRH The Duke of Edinburgh who passed away on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

**1760: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**  
None

**1761: MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**1762: MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES**  
No matters arising from the minutes were received.

**1763: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**  
No declarations of interest were received.

**1764: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**  
None

**1765: HOLGATE PLANNING APPLICATION DC/2021/00417 - OBJECTION**

**RESOLVED:**

- (1) That Cllr. Donegan report on the planning application objection be noted.
- (2) That Cllr. Donegan to add the Thornton Corridor Survey as an explicit objection.
- (3) That Cllr. Kelly, Manor Ward, to email the parish clerk a copy of the 2017 Thornton Corridor Survey for circulation.

**1766: PLANNING INSPECTORATE MAST APPEAL - APP/M4320/W/21/3267905**

**RESOLVED;**

- (1) That Cllr. O'Keeffe report on the planning inspectorate mast appeal be noted.
- (2) That Cllr. O'Keeffe to write to Sefton Planning and the Planning Inspectorate to ask for the site visit date and to re-emphasise issues on the historical nature of the village green.
- (3) That Cllr. O'Keeffe to email Cllr. Pennington a copy of Telefonica's mast appeal notice.

**1767: KEEP THORNTON TIDY**

**RESOLVED:**

- (1) That Cllr. McGill report on 'Keeping Thornton Tidy' be noted.
- (2) That Cllr. McGill and Kevin Rathbone, resident, to meet at Wrakes Brook on Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> April at 10:00am to litter pick.

**1768: DEER HUNTING IN LUNT**

**RESOLVED:** That Cllr. Pennington report on deer hunting be noted.

**1769: RUNNELLS LANE PARK IMPROVEMENTS**

**RESOLVED:** That members congratulated the Neighbourhoods Team on their successful grant application for a children's play area.

**1770: ROAD SIGNAGE ON GREEN LANE**

**RESOLVED:**

- (1) That Cllr. Pennington report on road signage for Green Lane be noted.
- (2) That members agreed to meet 50% of the cost of new road signage on Green Lane.
- (3) That members thanked Manor Ward councillors for their generosity in agreeing to meet the other 50% of the cost of new road signage on Green Lane.
- (4) That Cllr. Pennington to contact officers at Sefton to confirm the signage requirements, invoice details and payment arrangements.

**1771: THORNTON TRAFFIC**

**RESOLVED:**

- (1) That Cllr. Pennington report on Thornton traffic issues be noted.
- (2) That Cllr. Pennington to email Sefton Highways and Cllr. Kelly, Manor Ward, setting out Thornton traffic issues and to ask when the 2017 Thornton Corridor Survey is to be updated.

**1772: CASUAL VACANCIES**

**RESOLVED:** That the clerk update on casual vacancies be noted.

**1773: CODE OF CONDUCT AND REGISTER OF INTERESTS REVIEW**

**RESOLVED:**

- (1) That members agreed the Standing Orders.
- (2) That members have updated their Register of Interests.

**1774: BROOMS CROSS RESTORATION**

**RESOLVED:**

- (1) That Cllr. Donegan report on Brooms Cross restoration be noted.
- (2) That Cllr. Donegan to email John Keough at Sefton and Cllr. Kelly, Manor Ward, to establish ownership of the actual monument.

**1775: BUCKLEY HILL TRAFFIC SURVEY**

**RESOLVED:** That Cllr. O'Keeffe report on the Buckley Hill traffic survey be noted.

**1776: HONORARY FREEDOM OF THE PARISH**

**RESOLVED:**

- (1) That Cllr. Pennington report on awarding 'Honorary Freedom of the Parish' be noted.
- (2) That Cllr. Pennington to draft criteria for awarding 'Honorary Freedom of the Parish'.

**1777: MERSEYSIDE POLICE CRIME ALERTS**

None

**1778: PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Members considered the planning applications set out in the schedule circulated and also available on Sefton MBC website.

**1779: ACCOUNTS PAID AND FOR PAYMENT**

**RESOLVED:** That the payments set out in the schedule of payments circulated be agreed.

**1780: CORRESPONDENCE**

The clerk reported on a request received from BBC Radio Merseyside.  
The clerk reported on an article printed in the Liverpool Echo.  
The clerk reported on correspondence received about 'Neighbourhood Planning'.

**1781: DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED:** Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021 via Zoom video conferencing at 7:00pm.

**1782: DEADLINE FOR AGENDA ITEMS**

**RESOLVED:** Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021.

Signed ..... (Chairman) Date 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021