

Thornhill Community Council

Minutes of the Meeting

held at 1915 on 17th June 2019,

The Friendship Club,

15 West Morton Street,

Thornhill, DG3 5ND

PRESENT:

Keith Watson (Chair)	KW
Jim Renicks (Vice Chair)	JR
Robert McGarva (Treasurer)	RM
Wullie Lenza	WL
Sheila Jones	SJ
Alison Gordon (Member of the Public)	

Apologies for Absence:

- No Apologies

Minutes of the last meeting:

- The minutes of the last meeting approved by RM and seconded by SJ

Police Report:

PC Lee Smith very little crime in the past month 2 thefts and 2 theft by shoplifting 2 persons reported .

Usual initiatives running Community Wardens still re Dog Fouling and Litter.

PC Smith has spoken with the Boots Delivery van driver and asked him to be more considerate. SJ states she noticed that it has not been causing problems of late.

WL reports that Tam Hill crossing patrol at Manse Road/Station Road is complaining of speeding motorists and persons on mobile phones. **Action:PC Smith going to contact Camera Safety Unit.**

Matters Arising

- Alison Gordon 1st Morton Guides was in attendance as requested from E-mail received at May meeting. Alison explained that she had started up the Guides and was looking for funding. JR explained in detail the Mini-Grants systems and the Community Council has discretion regarding decision of same. Alison requested if they could apply for a grant of £250.00 to fund a trip to a Scottish Girl Guiding event, this would be the Guides first trip. Keith requested that Alison email Thornhill Community Council asking for the monies. All present agreed that the funds would be given. (WL joined the meeting part way through this item).
- Alison intimated that she would be interested in joining the Community Council it was explained that there would be a 2 month break after this meeting next meeting being September followed by Elections in October, she was more than welcome to attend.
- JR advised that Findlays have been contacted with regards to spraying the village.
- JR also advised that none of the outstanding actions that John had previous had been completed and that he would take them on. Letters to Thornhill Collective re funding, Manageress Spar re Christmas Bags **Action JR pick up and do letters**
- RM advised that the Bank Account problem has taken a backward step due to Secretary's Resignation. KW agreed to be 2nd signature an arrangements made to have this completed this week.
- RM states after having been in contact with Signcraft regarding Bank Details and Invoice for Defib stickers he has the Bank Details put still waiting for Invoice. **Action:KW going to chase up Invoice.**
- JR advised all the stickers are on the Defibillators.
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Treasurers Report:

- The Treasurer provided a review of the Accounts, as they are now:
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- Current Account balance £1245.23

Investment Account: £3524.71
Legacy Account: £219,698.84

RM advises that with the Secretary's Resignation a 2nd signature will be required for the bank. KW is going to be the 2nd signatory. **Action:RM going to chase up.**

Correspondence:

Questionnaire received from Scottish Fire Service regarding interaction with communities. **Action JR to complete.**

Notification received for the Road Closures for Gala Day. **Action:JR putting on Facebook Page to advise Public.**

Email received regarding Area Committee Discretionary Grants for Christmas Lights and Festivities to be applied by 21 June. **Action:JR to undertake application**

JR has received an email from Kirsty Colchester Morton Brownies, inviting 2 members to the Community Garden opening on Wednesday 26 June. **KW and SJ will attend**

Wind Farm Report

- No reports JR going to attend a meeting on Monday 24 June

Any Other Business

Thornhill Enhancement Group doing a good job however they need to be reminded about their safety ie wearing yellow vests and signage. **Action WL to speak to them**

Secretary Position John McNaught has resigned from the position and the Community Council.

JR advises that his wife has done the previous minutes and would be willing to do Minutes, Agenda, Administer Social Media, Visit Thornhill Web Site Community Council part, type up correspondence as required and would be willing to do this up till October. JR left the meeting to allow the Council to discuss the matter. Discussion between 4 remaining members and all agree to try this proposal.

JR resigned from Vice Chair to take on the Secretary role proposed by RM and seconded by SJ all present agreed this was best way to deal with the Resignation as no one was willing to take the post.

KW advises that he replied to the Secretary's Resignation thanking him for his time in the role and on the Community Council.

Thornhill Pipe Band representative attended the meeting to report that a French Pipe Band are coming over in July for 3 days, they have accommodation at Carlingwark which they are funding themselves. However this accommodation does not provide meals. Thornhill Pipe Band are going to provide their meals for the stay. The French Pipe Band are going to be playing at Drumlanrig Castle and also outside The Buccleuch and Queensberry Hotel during their stay. All agreed a mini grant of £250

JR reports that he has been informed that there is going to be a public consultation review into the Public Toilets. With a view to the facilities closing. Discussion between members regarding same, will wait for the review taking place

Next Meeting: 1915 hours on Monday 16th September at Thornhill Friendship Club.