

# Thornhill Community Council

## Minutes of the Meeting

held at 1915hrs on 20th February 2023,

The Friendship Club

15 West Morton Street,

Thornhill, DG3 5ND

**Present:** Wullie Lenza (Chair), Keith Watson (Vice Chair), Jim Renicks (Secretary), Corinna Harkness and John Martin

**Members of the Public Present:** Sheila Renicks

**Apologies for Absence:** Councillor Jim Dempster, Sharon Hodgkinson (Treasurer) Adam Zdravkovic

### **Minutes of the last meeting:**

The minutes of the last meeting approved by **KW** and seconded by **CH**

### **Police Report:**

The Police Report was given by Constable Leslie the local crime stats for month is 1x Vandalism; 1 x Breach of the Peace; 1 x Assault; 1 x Theft 1 x Road Traffic Offences, 1 x Theft by Shoplifting, 5 x Advice Calls and 2 Other Crimes

Constable Leslie advised that on 27th February he will in Thomas Tosh along with the new Wheatley Group South Housing officer for the area to allow residents to speak with Police.

### **Matters Arising from Previous Meeting:**

**Disabled Parking Bays** - The meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> January with a representatives from Amey Dumfries & Galloway Council and Councillor Berretti did not really achieve anything other than all present agreed the parking in Drumlanrig Street Thornhill, required to be address including disabled parking bays. Representatives from Amey and Dumfries & Galloway Council are both going to come back with plans at a later date. **JR** advises he has spoken with Wallace Hall Academy and 2 pupils are tasked with taking footage of the parking as it is now and problems they see and also it is hoped that a section of Drumlanrig Street will trial a possible parking solution and have it video. To show safer parking for vehicle users pedestrians etc and safer egress onto the A76

**Cottage Hospital Public Consultation** - this meeting will take place on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March between 2pm and 7pm all posters have been circulated round business premises in the village and requests via email to surrounding Community Councils to advertise the meeting.

**Drumlanrig View Defib:** - an email was sent back querying if the Defibrillator was solely for the use of the residents and enquiring who would be responsible for the maintenance. To date no update has been received

### Treasurers Report:

The Treasurer (SH) provided a review of the Accounts, as they are now:

Current Account balance	£7,011.94
Investment Account:	£3,534.78
Legacy Account:	£185,461.48

### Wind Farm Report:

Nothing to report.

### Planning Applications:

Weekly Planning Applications lists checked as they came into the E-Mail nothing of significance relating to the village.

### Correspondence:

An email was received from Freda Blackwood a member of the Improvement Group requesting funding for shrubs, top-soil and compost for the 3 flower beds in the village that they are now responsible for. A request was also made with regards to repair damage to fence at the rear of one of the flower beds. Members present agreed to fund the shrubs, top-soil and compost, however, feels that no repairs should be carried out by the Improvement Group before they ascertain who owns the fence and obtains their permission **Action JR to inform Freda Blackwood and to ascertain if the Improvement Group hold a bank account.**

### King's Coronation Celebration:

Members discussed having a celebration on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023 to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III, enquiries to be **made with the possibility of holding a tea dance with entertainment and refreshment. Action JR to make enquiries for venue, caterer, and entertainment.**

### Any Other Business

David Smith and Annie Wild from the Active Travel Group attended at the meeting and gave members an overview and insight to what the group would like to achieve in the village and advised that the week-long snapshot in the village was very well supported. Members also received a DRAFT copy of a questionnaire that will be circulated to residents in the area for feedback. A short discussion between Community Councillors and the Active Travel Group about the questionnaire and what they hope to achieve.

**NEXT MEETING: 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023.**