

Thornley with Wheatley Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 14 September 2020 remotely via Zoom

Present: Mr M Hayhurst (Chairperson)
Mrs C Ansbro (Vice-Chairperson/Clerk)
Mrs G Airey (Responsible Finance Officer)
Mr P Hallett (Representative on Parish Councils Liaison Cttee)
Mrs J Faraday

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Thornley with Wheatley Annual Parish Meeting which was being held remotely via Zoom.

Due to the current Covid 19 situation the Annual Parish Meeting had been delayed until clarification had been received that Parish Meetings had the same powers with regard to remote attendance and to decide issues with regard to meetings as other local authorities. This had now been received with the introduction of section 22 of the Business and Planning Act 2020 which came into force on 22 July 2020.

Parish 20.1 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

Parish 20.2 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

Parish 20.3 Minutes of the last Annual Parish meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on 13 May 2019 were approved and would be signed by the Chairman and forwarded to the Clerk

Parish 20.4 Matters Arising from the meeting held on 13 May 2019

There were no matters arising.

Parish 20.5 Chairman's Annual Report

The Chairman outlined his Annual Report as follows

I would like to commend Little Town Farm shop for serving the local community as best they could and also 'So plants' for their delivery service of plants, compost and other gardening essentials during this difficult time.

Also Ferraris Country House Hotel who cooked and supplied many takeaway meals throughout the region.

In April RVBC kindly donated 10 Easter eggs to the PC for us to donate throughout the community to whoever we thought would appreciate them. This task fell on our clerk Carol who dutifully dispersed them.

On the 27th April the Parish Council had their first outdoor meeting. This took place on a lovely spring evening in the Chairman's garden at a safe social distance.

15th June with one or two things to discuss we had our first 'virtual meeting' via zoom. I've got to say it went well with us all joining in from the comfort of our own homes.

The Pandemic has created many challenges for most of us in one way or another but non more so than in hospitality and it is with regret that our local public house The Derby Arms has not been able to survive. I sincerely hope that someone comes to the rescue in the near future.

In summary life goes on, but very differently to what it was last year.

Parish 20.6 Items raised by Residents of the Parish

No items had been submitted by residents of the Parish.

Parish 20.7 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next Parish Meeting would provisionally be held on 24 May 2021.

The Parish Meeting closed at 7.15 pm

Signed

Date