

**THORPE WARD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION**  
**EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE**  
**RUTHERWYKE ROOM**  
**9<sup>th</sup> JULY 2018**

**Previous Meeting Minutes:** These were approved and signed by the Vice Chairman Mr K Cooper.

**Open Forum:** Concerns were raised from a resident who has issues with planning applications sent to RBC for development either side of their property and which, if approved, will infringe on the pleasure they get in their own garden. The resident was particularly concerned as their road had been badly flooded and was surprised that increased development within this flood plain would be considered.

It was reported that building regulations have changed in recent years and also Planning and Building Regulations are separate offices and builders/residents can now employ their own building inspector and choose an alternative Council.

Concerns were raised that homeowners do not always keep their hedges trimmed and vegetation is frequently growing over boundaries and onto pathways.

Youths driving fast through the village and also around the Industrial Estate have been reported to the Police.

Overgrown verges were reported but Councillors confirmed that the Council are gradually getting around to trimming them all.

**Ward Councillor's Report:** EG reported that the granite for the War Memorial has been delivered – additional funding to complete the job is still required and EG will be hosting a Summer Fayre in her garden in September to raise additional funds. Father Damian will rededicate the updated War Memorial at 3pm on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

All the Councillors had attended a number of meetings during the month and reported the details to the Committee.

**Approval of the Associations Officers' Reports:** Reports from The Chairman, The Treasurer and The Secretary were all distributed prior to the meeting and no issues were raised as a result of these reports.

The Treasurer added that he had been contacting a number of local residents' associations to enquire about their annual subscription rate, as TWRA had not increased their rates in over 10 years. He will analyse his finds in due course and report back to the Committee.

**Town Planning:** BH reported on the applications submitted to RBC over the past month. There were a couple of applications that TWRA should refer to RBC, particularly extensions within the flood plain.

**Any Other Business:** Concern was expressed about the number of trees being choked by ivy. The matter of potholes was raised again however SCC is aware that this is a problem throughout the County.

