

Thurstonland Village Association

Meeting held at Thurstonland Cricket Club on Monday 1st June

Present

Elaine Adler	Joyce Booth	Lee Booth	Chris Dawson	Valda Dawson
Ann Dowlen	David Jones	Elaine Lockwood	Penny Lunn	David Stubbs
Councillor Robert Barraclough				

Apologies

Keith Barnes	Tony Clifton	Janet Matthews	Maureen Meddick	Sally Rhodes
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Minutes

Acceptance of the minutes from 2nd March were proposed by David Jones, seconded by Valda Dawson and duly signed.

Acceptance of minutes from 4th May was proposed by David Stubbs, seconded by Elaine Lockwood and signed.

A standard agenda has been introduced which can be added to or have items deleted.

Matters Arising

By chance the grass verge down Town Moor was cut shortly after the last meeting.

It has been decided that the £25 received from the church shall be reinvested into the churchyard in the form of plants.

Reports

EA stated that the TVA is now in receipt of 3 estimates for the village notice board. The next stage was to consult with Highways about the proposed location. This has been done. Now we have to establish ownership of the land. This is proving more troublesome. After a long trail of phone calls it appears that the land is privately owned. Several options were suggested a) church, b) British Legion, c) Norton Estate but it does not apparently belong to Kirklees. These options are being investigated: we need to have permission in writing before we can apply for a licence and dig permit. This information was followed by a discussion, when PL said that she was in touch with Roger Bamforth (Stocksmoor) who worked with Norton's solicitors and he had agreed to look at the deeds for us. JB said that the British Legion started in Brockholes, not Stocksmoor, and she would make enquiries with her contacts there.

EA reported that she had returned the Community Consultation Pro Forma to Kirkburton PC

Transport and Highways

DJ reported on what has happened regarding bus services in the area since the meeting held in the pub. He sent a letter outlining problems and concerns of villagers to Huddersfield Bus Company and received a reply from Alan Bishop from Metro. Both letters are on file. There was a discussion on this matter. LB said there were several options of leaving the village by public transport in the morning but it was more difficult to return after 5.30p.m.

DJ presented a report on the meeting held at school on Weds 13th May, where he spoke about speeding in the village. This report is on file. Joe Malik (Highways) said he would be glad to meet members of the TVA to discuss the problems further. On the same theme DS told us about a scheme in Cambridgeshire called Community Speed Watch, which, through the involvement of trained volunteers, raises the awareness of the dangers of speeding. After a discussion on this topic he invited anyone interested to meet the PCOs at his house on Weds 3rd June to discuss it further.

Table Top Sale

EL reported that this would take place at Stocksmoor Village Hall on Sat 3rd Oct. She has discussed arrangements, number of tables, refreshments, times, charges and advertising with Ann Dowlen (chair of Stocksmoor Village Hall Committee).

Tombola Stall at Gala

EL is arranging the distribution of plastic bags for collection of tombola prizes around the village to be taken out and collected between the 8th and 15th June.

Development: Quarry

The route for vehicles has been signed for exactly as agreed at the consultation. Work cannot start until the license is signed.

Rec

Keith Barnes sent a report on the progress of what is happening to the rec. A copy of this is on file.

Village Plan

On 11th May there was a meeting at KB's house to meet Amy Robinson from Rural Action Yorkshire who outlined the importance of having a village plan. Robert Barraclough explained the process to the people who had been unable to attend the meeting. There is a full report from KB on file.

AOB

Valda asked if there was a Babysitting Circle in the village on behalf of one of her neighbours. It was suggested that Sally Rhodes would be the ideal person to approach followed by an insert in the next newsletter.