

Thurstonland Village Association
Meeting held on Monday 5th October at Thurstonland Cricket Club

Present

Elaine Adler	Joyce Booth	Tony Clifton	Valda Dawson	David Jones
Elaine Lockwood	Penny Lunn	Maureen Meddick	David Stubbs	

Apologies

Keith Barnes	Chris Dawson	Sally Rhodes	Janet Matthews
Councillor Robert Barraclough			

Visitor's Report from Tony Clifton re Neighbourhood Watch

Further to the report of a burglary at Marsh Hall Stables, police are looking for a green V reg car – be vigilant! TC is on the Crime Prevention Panel where the recently introduced Horse Watch is looking into providing each stable with one free tracking device, funds permitting. He reported that the 'Safer Homes Through Simple Measures' (SHSM) scheme had been successful in its application for funding. This initiative will target people aged 65+ living in Thurstonland, Stocksmoor and Thunderbridge, to help ensure that their door and window security is adequate. He will draw up a working plan to begin in October and end by March 2010. He will report back to TVA when this is complete. PL thanked him for his report and he left.

Minutes Proposed DS seconded EL that these be accepted

Matters arising None

Notice of AOB None

Chairman's Report PL thanked everyone for their input: walk, newsletter, tabletop sale, and, in anticipation, grubbing out.

We are now insured (NOT for public information).

Secretary Nothing to report

Treasurer Nothing to report

Communications

- Walk: DJ reported that not quite as many people walked as usual but it was a success nevertheless. Valda thanked him for another brilliant walk. DJ said walk no. 2 would be repeated in the spring (Fulstone). PL asked him to talk to JM about costing out the production of the walk notes in colour to be sold at a nominal charge.
- Speeding. DJ was stunned at Area Committee in September when Joe Malik (Highways) gave his proposals for Thurstonland based on ideas/information gleaned from the meeting held at school on May 13th and statistics from rubber strip exercises. Using an enlarged map DJ explained that Joe Malik is proposing Build Outs + Give Way on the roads on Marsh Hall Lane and Town Moor Lane where the fastest speeds were recorded, plus gentle speed plateaux. DJ was delighted that our requests had been considered so favourably. He said we couldn't ask for measures against speeding then turn them down. It may be that flashing 'Slow Down' signs could be a possibility next year. In the mean time there would be consultations with people living nearest to these proposed initiatives. Valda gave a very positive response to the idea of build outs saying how attractive they were made in France and they actually designated the village boundary. DS asked about measures on The Bank but the answer was that this was on a hill so speeds were naturally slower.
- Newsletters were given out for delivery next week.
- DJ thanked everyone for their efforts.

Reports

- Grubbing Out. This will take place in the week 12th-17th Oct. EA said that Bob Comer (Community Ranger) would meet the grubbing out team at 9.30a.m. on Mon 17th .in the churchyard. Signs would be out as usual to indicate main areas to be tackled. Nigel Hancock will have soil placed in trough during this week. The bulbs ordered for the churchyard will arrive later in October.
- Noticeboard. PL and EA went to see Angela Royle (Kirkburton Parish Council) about this. She agreed to deal with the matters of planning permission in a conservation area and an advertising permit, and said that it would take about 8 weeks for a decision to be reached.
- Telephone Box. MM told us of her interesting and frustrating conversations on this matter. The result is that it is at bronze level (i.e. Only there for emergencies). It cannot be removed. The engineer using some sort of wipers will clean it! and BT are entitled to rent advertising space on it. PL said that Angela Royle will look into this for us.
- Fund Raising. EL did not have an accurate figure for the previous days tabletop sale. It had been a lot of very hard work especially as she and Richard had put in 4 hours work on the Saturday too, putting out tables and goods, but it would have been impossible to do it all on the Sunday morning. PL asked if another time it was worth considering a shorter session, e.g. 10.00a.m. –Noon. EL agreed. She said that it went well on Sunday and she appreciated the help and support given. It was our first attempt so there were lessons to learn. We need to wait and see if it was financially worthwhile for TVA and other stallholders. It was noted that the car washers were brilliant!
- Rec. KB had been unable to get hold of Kirklees re drainage. They are on holiday. We will see what reaction there is from villagers about the fenced area after the newsletter has gone out.
- Community Plan KB has a speaker coming to a meeting at the Cricket Club on Mon 19th Oct at 7.00p.m. to talk about the plan.
- Woodland Trust. DS said he had attended the meeting about the past and future of Storthes Hall Wood. Unfortunately the talk and tea afterwards did not happen as no one turned up,

Next Meeting Monday 2nd November at Thurstonland Cricket Club.

Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Report from visitor. Tony Clifton
3. Minutes
4. Matters arising
5. Matters for AOB
6. Recreation Ground – Keith Barnes
7. Community Plan
8. AOB