

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: David Griffin (DG) Chair
Charles Brader (CB)
Karl Tumman (KT)
Eileen Birrell (EB)
Gerald Bainbridge (GB)

Apologies: Gordon McIlroy (GMC)

1. Minutes from the Meeting 19th May 2022 and the EGM 30th June.
 - a. The minutes from both meetings were accepted as a true record.
2. Matters raising
 - a. Village signs: KT confirmed that NYCC Highways department had verbally accepted our proposals for the location of the replacement Village sign in Pefham lane, on the opposite side of the road to the existing damaged sign. KT is awaiting written confirmation.
 - b. Grit Bins: GB had requested NYCC to provide an additional grit bin for Fotherdale, to be placed at the halfway point near the space used for passing. GB to check on progress.
 - c. Thixendale Parish Website: KT is awaiting the remaining pro-forma personal statements for the completion of 'Councillor profiles' for the website. Action required by DG and CB
 - d. Martinholme Flooding: GB, in November 2021, discussed with NYCC the ongoing problem in Main Street at the foot of Martinholme. NYCC removed debris from the drains and proposed to raise a capital request for a more permanent solution. GB to follow up.
 - e. Jubilee Tree: The sapling remains in the safe custody of EB. The location is agreed and it will be planted when it has reached a suitable stage of maturity.
3. AONB

The EGM on the 30th June agreed to establish views of people in Thixendale on the proposal for AONB status. A formal and independently verified poll of Villagers on the 21st July resulted in a 65% 'No' vote against the question "Should Thixendale Parish be included in Natural England's proposed Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty?" The turnout was 55%.
DG discussed a draft letter, previously circulated to PC members, which will formally communicate this result to relevant members of Rydale and North Yorkshire Authorities and local Politicians. The PC agreed that the serious concerns expressed by Thixendale residents should be reiterated in the text and the letter was agreed.
3. Financial update
 - a. KT stated the balance, at 22/8/22, was £4,645.09 with an outstanding commitment to GMC for £192 for a Defibrillator battery. In response to a question about the cost of the proposed Thixendale village sign, KT estimated a figure of about £1000.
4. AOB
 - a. Car Parking:
Some residents and their regular visitors continue to cause pavement obstruction. DG agreed to bring the issue and its implications to the notice of residents via the village Facebook page.
5. Dates for PC meetings in 2022/23 are as follows:

17th November
16th February
18th May (AGM)

(All in the Village Hall at 1800hrs)