

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Thornton Parish Council held on
Thursday 14th May 2015 at 19.30 in the Church.

Councillors present:

Cllr. Stubbins

Cllr. Whitwell

Cllr. Hayton

Cllr. Dawson

Cllr. Mrs. Baker

Cllr. Mrs. Chamberlain

Apologies for absence: Cllr. Metcalfe

There was one resident present, Mrs. Janet Hayton.

All were welcomed to the meeting by the Clerk and the meeting was declared open at 19.30.

Election of Chairman:

Cllr. Stubbins was proposed by Cllr. Hayton but declined the nomination to stand as Chair. Cllr. Whitwell was proposed by Cllr. Stubbins and seconded by Cllr. Hayton.

Election of Vice-Chairman:

Cllr. Stubbins was proposed by Cllr. Whitwell and seconded by Cllr. Hayton.

All Councillors completed and signed their Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Councillor.

Community Partnership:

Cllr. Mrs. Baker confirmed that she was happy to continue attending these meetings on behalf of the Parish Council. A vote of thanks to Cllr Mrs. Baker was given by Cllr. Hayton and seconded by all present for the hard work that Cllr. Mrs Baker has given to attending the meetings and sorting out issues and communicating with other organisations – it is very much appreciated by everyone.

Representatives to Thornton Churchyard Committee:

Mrs. Claire Triffitt (Clerk)

Cllr. Stubbins is happy to continue acting as reserve if the Clerk is unable to attend the PCC Meetings.

Mrs. Claire Triffitt was thanked by the Chairman and all present and asked to continue as Clerk.

The minutes of the 2014 AGM were read, approved and signed as a true and correct record.

Matters Arising:

1. Finance:

The Clerk reported that the Precept of £2250 for 2015 \ 2016 has been granted by ERYC.

The balance of accounts 31.03.15

Balance brought forward	3512.99
Receipts	4332.06
Total Income	7845.05
Expenditure	1607.95
Balance carried forward	6237.10

The Clerk pointed out that HMRC have overpaid the VAT by the amount of £701.03 so this will need to be repaid.

The Annual Return for the Audit Commission was completed and signed by Cllr. Whitwell (Chair) and Cllr. Mrs. Baker, Internal Auditor.

Any Other Business:

Cllr. Metcalfe then joined the meeting and apologised for being late.

1. Village Vegetable Competition:

Cllr. Metcalfe confirmed that both he and his wife are happy to continue organising this and will also be organising a children's competition.

2. Mrs. Janet Hayton spoke – she passed on her own thanks and that of the PCC for the money towards the upkeep of the Church and Churchyard. She also thanked the Parish Council for organising the Community Payback Scheme to come and tidy up the Churchyard.

3. Mrs. Claire Triffitt spoke – Mr. Gavin Montgomery is the current Treasurer of Thornton PCC, he has given notice that this is the last year that he will continue in this position so a new Treasurer needs to be found otherwise it will make it very difficult for Thornton PCC to continue.

As there was no further business the meeting was declared closed at 20.05.