

North Thoresby, Grainsby & Waithe Parish Council

North Thoresby Village Hall, The Square, North Thoresby, DN36 5QL

Draft Minutes 17th June 2025

Present:

Chair Cllr. Colin Goodwin

Vice Chair Cllr Keith Butters

Acting Clerk and RFO Cllr Emily Bakes

Cllr Terry Aldridge

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Chair's Welcome: 71.25

- a) The meeting was opened at 19.00hrs with the chair welcoming councillors and members of the public.
- b) Members of the public were informed the meeting would be recorded to assist the clerk in prepairing the minutes
- c) Safety announcement
- d) To remind members of the public that it is a parish council meeting and not a public meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence: 72.25

a) To receive apologies. No apologies received

3. Declarations of Interest: 73.25

a) No declarations of interest by any member of the council

4. Approval of Previous Minutes: 74.25

Resolved minutes dated the 12th May 2025 approved

5. Public Open Forum – 30 Minutes: 75.25

MOP1 expressed concerns over the proposed planning application for a children's home regarding suitability of the dwelling to house and safety. Insufficient information from the applicant.

MOP2 informed the council she had discussed the application with the building owner who are looking to obtain planning for a children's home then sell the property.

MOP3 expressed concerned over the comparison with 4 children's homes sited in London. They also questioned the claim by the applicant that there were 5 parking spaces on the proposal site and the potential for on street parking which would cause highways obstructions. Vehicles are unable to enter and exit the property in a forward gear.

MOP4 concerned about road safety on the road around the proposed site.

MOP5 stated the lack of parking will cause parking problems.

MOP6 stated the proposed house has been marketed for sale for 12 months without a sale suggesting the asking price was in line with London prices.

MOP2 asked if there was any update on the Beanlands development as heavy equipment had been delivered to site.

6. District Council Update: '76.25

Cllr Aldridge updated the council on planning committee meeting. He informed council on the proposed National Grid public consultation which are now taking place and highlighted one at Holton Le Clay on Tuesday 24th June.

7. County Council Update: 77.25

No county councillor in attendance.

- 8. Finance Matters: 78.25
 - For the council to ratify an invoice received for electrical work to the village hall
 Resolved. Council voted to approve the invoices
 - b) For the council to consider quotations for the annual service of the CCTV system

 Resolved. Council voted to accept the quotation for the 2025/26 maintenance package
 - c) For the council to ratify an invoice received for safety work to install outside socket and testing of village hall emergency lighting.

Resolved. Council voted to approve the invoice

9. Planning Matters: 79.25

a) Planning application no. 02387/25/FUL Planning Permission - Change of use of existing dwelling to form a children's home.

Resolves. Council voted to write an objection the the proposed planning application stating the reasons:

Lack of parking Road Safety

Insufficient information

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10. Administration Matters: 80.25

To consider the reply to objections to 23/24 AGAR

Resolved. Council voted to send letter replying to the objections to the 23/24 AGAR to the external auditor

11. Employment Matters: 81.25

a) To consider the appointment for a clerk and RFO.

Resolved. Following an interview on Tuesday 10th June with the Chair and Vice Chair particulars were forwarded including CV and contract of employment to all councillors. Council proposed to employ the applicant in the roll of Clerk and RFO and approved the contract. The vote was unanimous. The starting date will be 1st July 2025, Councillor Bakes will continue in the roll of acting Clark and RFO until this date

b) To consider banking access for the clerk and RFO.

Resolved. Council approved the access of the new clerk/RFO as an inputter and authoriser to the councils bank accounts.

12. Village Hall Matters: 82.25

a) For the council to consider a quotation to move a urinal in the gents toilets.

Resolved. Council approved to accept the quotation of £265.00

b) For the council to consider a request from the events committee to use the village hall free of charge for the annual North Thoresby Horticultural Show.

Resolved. Council approved the use of the village hall for the event

- c) For the council to consider a grant application for the community room refurbishment. **Resolved.** Council approved Cllr Goodwin to proceed with the submitting for grant funding to refurbish the community room.
- d) For the council to consider the disposal of the old piano.

Deferred to investigate any organisations interested in rehoming the piano e)

For the council to consider the disposal of the redundant A frames

Deferred

f) To consider the Christmas tree for 2025

Deferred

13. Village Matters: 83.25

a) For the council to consider the purchase of new benches for the play park.

Resolved. Council approved to except the quotation from NBB recycled furniture to supply 3 benches 2 games tables and a wheelchair accessible refectory table.

- b) Update on the damaged directional sign.
 - Noted. Council had approved a budget of £250 to refurbish the damaged sign. A councillor has volunteered to carry out the work with the only cost being £2.90 for new screws.
- c) For the council to consider a letter received from Utterby Parish Council regarding speed camera Resolved. Council unanimously voted to loan our speeding equipment to Utterby Parish Council.
- d) For the council to consider a letter received from a resident from Waithe regarding Christmas decorations.

Resolved. Council approved a budget of £150 to be spent on Christmas Lights

e) To consider a letter received regarding overgrown trees in Mulberry Close. **Deferred**

14.Payments – For the Council to consider approving the following Payments: 84.25 Resolved. Council approved payments

Invoice Name:	Reason for Payment:	Sub Total:	Vat:	Total:
Mr Wilson	April 25 Salary	£734.76		£734.76
Telos Electrical	Electrical work to VH	£312.00	£62.40	£374.40
Telos Electrical	Electrical work to VH	£145.00	£29.00	£174.00

ZK Electrical Services	PAT testing and additional sockets	£280.00		£280.00
Tulip	Hygiene services	£171.62	£34.33	£205.95
Thoresby Homecare	Village hall supplies	£22.22	£4.44	£26.66
	TOTAL:	£1665.60	£130.17	£1795.77

15. Next Ordinary Meeting Date: 85.25

a) For the council to note the Ordinary PC Meeting – Monday 7^{th} July 2025 **Noted**

Meeting was closed at 20.23hrs