

Stainton & Thornton Community Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Assembly, a joint meeting of the Parish and Community Councils, held in the Memorial Hall, Stainton on Tuesday, 10 March 2020 at 7pm.

Chair: The meeting was chaired by David Coupe

Present: The attendance list recorded 34 people present at the meeting.

Apologies: R & H Dennison, B. Neale, M. Holmes, E. Revett. A. Cooper

Officers/Councillors in attendance: P/Cllrs. D. Coupe, A. Conroy, C. Dean, A. Liddle.

Police Report – Owing to an ongoing serious incident at Hemlington the police were unable to attend the meeting. Crime figures for January/February in Stainton and Thornton show a sharp increase on the previous 2 months. A total of 49 crimes were recorded (34 in November/December) with the biggest rise being in incidents of assaults (18 in January/February, previously 6 in November/December). Incidents of anti-social behaviour were down slightly (15 previously 18) the majority being classed as nuisance incidents.

The dedicated neighbourhood officer, PCSO Josh Murphy, is happy to be contacted by email if necessary, joshua.murphy@cleveland.pnn.police.uk or by mobile phone 07870 386292. Crimes in progress should be reported via the '999' system. All other matters can be relayed by phoning '101'. Calls to 101 would be free from April.

Speakers:

Ben Houchen, Tees Valley Mayor, gave a very informative talk on the achievements, progress and aspirations about major projects in the Tees Valley area which included Teesside International Airport, the SSI site at Redcar steelworks, improvements to the railway stations at Darlington and Middlesbrough, a new Tees Crossing at Middlesbrough, a Tees Freeport, Net Zero Teesside and the new Tees Flex-on-demand bus service. In each case he detailed the benefits that each project would bring to this area. He then opened up the meeting to a Q & A session. His attendance at the meeting was very well received by those present.

Gerry McBride, Crime Prevention Officer with Cleveland Police, gave a short information talk about doorstep callers, internet scams and fraud. He promised to return at a later date to give a more detailed talk and suggested that in respect of internet fraud the following websites could prove useful

www.haveibeenpwned.com This allows you to search across multiple data breaches to see if your email address has been compromised.

www.howsecureismypassword.net This site checks the strength of your password and how long it would take a computer to crack the password.

Minutes of Meeting held 14 January 2020 – The Minutes of the Community Council meeting held on 14 January 2020 were agreed and accepted as a true record. All minutes of Community Council

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Matters arising – A resident asked if the data from the speed cameras on Thornton Road had been analysed yet. Cllr. Coupe stated the speed units were battery powered – which had failed and corrupted the data consequently Middlesbrough Council were unable to retrieve data from the camera. New batteries had been installed and the cameras were now back in situ and hopefully data analysis will now be possible. The Parish Council is looking into ways of funding its own purchase of speed cameras.

Great British Spring Clean 2020 – Secretary reported that the annual Great British Spring Clean for towns and villages runs from 20 March to 13 April. Some residents in Thornton were going to litter pick along Seamer Road at the weekend. It was agreed that a ‘spring clean’ in Stainton and Thornton would be arranged once a suitable date had been agreed. Look out for posters advertising the event.

Ward Councillor’s Report – Not received.

Treasurers Report - Balance in current account stands at £2230.76 less £20 printing costs for tonight’s meeting. The community council grant (£750) from Middlesbrough Council was expected to be paid in next month.

Planning applications - The following applications had been received:

20/135/TCA. 3 Thornton Road. Various tree works including felling and crown reduction to 20 trees in front and rear garden. – No objections.

20/115/FUL. Single storey extensions and alterations to external elevations of existing buildings at Coulby Lodge, Hemlington Village Road. – No objections.

20/086/TCA. 10 Seamer Road. Lateral and height reduction of conifer and yew trees. – No objections.

20/001/FUL. Cleveland Community Safety Hub – Installation of sculpture. – No objections.

20/039/FUL. 43 Cedar Drive. Attached garage to front and 2 storey extension to side. – Objections made by Parish Council on grounds of overdevelopment.

Grant Applications – None received.

Any other business – None

Date & Time of next meeting: Tuesday 12 May, 7pm in the Memorial Hall. (AGM)

The Chair closed the meeting at 9pm.

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