

THORPE SALVIN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WHICH WAS BE HELD AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH ON MONDAY 14th JULY 2025 AT 7.00PM.

PRESENT

Cllr M Collingwood

Cllr A Colclough

Cllr J Cox

Cllr M Johnson

Parish Clerk – Mr S Fletcher

- 1. Welcome to Public** Comments or questions from members of the public (15-30 minutes will be allowed)

One member of the public was in attendance. He raised an issue as to what the PC intended to do in relation to the new vehicular opening on to the road at Netherthorpe. Councillor Collingwood stated the property was not within the boundary of the Parish Council but following this issue being raised previously, he had searched the relevant planning documents at Bassetlaw District Council and confirmed there was no application on there in respect of this property. The member of the public stated that he had made no contact with Bassetlaw Council himself. The member of the public then stated that he in fact felt that the property was within the boundary of Rotherham MBC. Councillor Collingwood stated that he would make a search for an application for planning permission in respect of the property at Rotherham MBC.

The member of the public then raised an issue in respect of the posts in front of Sorby Field, and why the Parish Council was intending to replace them and asked why this was not being done by Rotherham MBC. It was explained to him that the Parish Council had paid for them to be installed to stop parking on the verge about 15 years ago. Councillor Colclough stated that he would ask Rotherham MBC if they would pay for the replacement posts, but if they would not then the Parish Council consider this further.

- 2. To receive any apologies for absence**

Cllr C Marsh

- 3. To declare any interests necessary for this meeting and to identify any agenda items from which the press and public should be excluded due to the confidential nature of the business.**

None

- 4. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 9th June 2025.**

Approved by all.

- 5. Matters Arising**

- a) Sorby Field - Play Area report, grass cutting, Hedge, etc**

Cllr Colclough stated that the Play Area Risk Assessment Report remains at low risk, this was the usual risk rating. Cllr Colclough reported that there was a recommendation that

2 chains on the swings be replaced, and that one of the seats on the swing be replaced. Councillor Colclough stated that he had asked for a price for these replacements from Rotherham MBC and was awaiting this.

It was confirmed that the Grass cutting at Sorby Field had recently been carried out.

Cllr Marsh had received a price for the replacement picnic bench at £630 inc. VAT & delivery. It was agreed that an order should be placed for the replacement bench by Cllr Marsh, with Councillor Marsh to install the same when he was able to in September if needs be.

b) Village Maintenance – Sorby verge wooden posts, Coronation Garden, Road Sweep, etc.

Councillor Colclough stated that he was getting two other quotes in respect of the replacements for the Sorby verge wooden posts, and that these should be available for the next meeting.

Comment was made that Coronation Gardens had been planted and looks very good and that thanks should be passed on to those who had been involved in this. It was agreed that a letter would be written by Councillor Collingwood, to go to Thorpe in Bloom, mentioning all of those involved.

The date for the next road sweep was discussed and it was agreed that this would be discussed further at the September meeting.

The list of small maintenance works within the Parish that require attention has yet to be completed. It was agreed that Councillor Johnson and Councillor Cox would meet in the forthcoming week to undertake this.

c) Village Sign

A discussion ensued about the Village Sign, which has now been modified and is ready for installation. It was agreed that Councillor Cox would invite the suppliers Nicholls out on site in order to ensure that they were satisfied that the proposed method of installing the sign was appropriate.

d) Notice Boards

In respect of the Notice Boards, the Perspex sheet on the board in the village has been replaced and the Notice Board repairs are therefore complete. This item will be taken off the agenda for the next meeting.

e) Road Safety

Councillor Marsh had received a response from Rotherham MBC about the issues raised at the last meeting relating to Packman Lane. The highways officer at Rotherham MBC had set out the reasons as to why it would not be possible to take the suggested actions such as fitting a mirror at the junction.

Previous requests made in respect of road safety were also discussed, such as improved road markings. It had been stated previously by Rotherham MBC that these would be further reviewed by Rotherham MBC in next year's budget, and that TS PC had been told that nothing would be considered unless there were serious incidents on the road which would justify such investment. Therefore, it was important that any such incidents were reported to Rotherham MBC by anyone in the Parish, and not just left to the Parish Council to report.

f) Slaypit Lane – Dog Fouling

The amount of dog fouling in this area had decreased and the area has improved for this. Councillor Johnson confirmed that the relevant signs had been installed.

g) Overgrown Hedge – Footpath Restriction

The Parish Council has received two complaints regarding a residents overgrown hedge impeding access down a section of footpath on Worksop Road as the available width was reduced to circa 400mm. Since the complaints were made, the owner has trimmed the hedge and made the accessibility more satisfactory. This issue is a recurring problem and will be monitored.

6. Governance Matters

a) Update on Government Website

The transition to the .gov website was now complete as well as the new address for the clerk which is clerk@ts-pc.gov.uk, which is on the website as well.

7. Planning Matters

a) Planning enforcement

The three ongoing matters were discussed and it was agreed that Cllr Cox would ask for a general update on all relevant enforcement matters from Rotherham MBC Planning dept.

b) Applications since last meeting

There had been an application for works to be carried out on trees at 1 Littlewood Lane, and also work to trees at Whinleys on Harthill Road. Other than this there were no relevant applications since the last meeting.

c) Decisions

Planning Permission had been granted for the erection of a dwelling on land at the corner of Peck View Lane.

8. Finance

a) Current Balances

Current account £20,820

Reserve Account £5,288

b) Cheques to be signed

Cheque to Nicholls re Village sign £1239.60 (inc VAT)

Cheque to Cllr Cox re Perspex and Mastic for Notice board - £78.73

Cheque to Cllr Johnson - £11.99 – Dog fouling signs

c) Audit

The clerk stated that the audit had been completed by Mr Haddon. Liaison with Mr Haddon was ongoing as to any issues raised by him for the purpose of clarification.

9. Report by Borough Councillors

None present

10. Correspondence

Correspondence from the Common Form Solar Park Community Fund was discussed and it was agreed that the Parish Council would be kept informed via the clerk.

Correspondence in respect of the Whitestone Solar Farm Community Benefit Workshop was discussed and it was agreed that the Parish Council would be kept informed about matters arising via the clerk.

11. Councillor items for discussion only

Councillor Cox raised an issue about some hedges within the village overgrowing pavements, some of which had only recently been cut back. It was discussed that if this was within the relevant tolerances there was nothing that the PC could do.

Councillor Cox also raised an issue about some canisters having been found around the site of the Village Sign. These would be reported as fly tipping.

12. Date of next meeting

8th September 2025 – 7.00pm