

Agenda: The Meeting of Thornley Parish Council at Thornley Village Centre on Tuesday 3 March 2026 at 6.30pm



Thornley Parish Council

To All Members of the Parish Council

You are hereby summonsed to attend the above meeting for the purpose of transacting the following business:

J Walter
Jade Walter
Clerk to the Council

- 1. To receive apologies for absence**
- 2. To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda**

If Members are aware of any interest in relation to any items on the agenda, this should be disclosed at this stage or when the interest becomes apparent during the consideration of an item, in accordance with the Code of Conduct. Please state the nature of the interest.

- 3. To confirm the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 13 January 2026***
- 4. Public question and answer session**
- 5. To receive the report of the Unitary County Councillor**
- 6. To receive the Police Report**
- 7. Financial and Governance Matters**

- a) To approve the finance report and payment schedule*
- b) To note the detailed income and expenditure
- c) To note the Pension employer contributions for 2026/27
- d) To consider Parish Council fees for Allotments, hire of Welfare Park sports facilities and Thornley Cemetery.
- e) To consider the renewal of the Gas contract and agree to be dealt with by the clerk.

8. Progress Reports from Officers and Councillors

- a) Parish Clerk's Report including correspondence
- i) To update on request to take the freehold of Thornley Village Centre
- ii) To update on the actions taken and progress made regarding A181 safety.
- iii) To update on the matters relating to Parish Council Allotments water supply and drainage issues.
 - b) Reports from Parish Councillors
 - c) To note Grounds Officers' Report.

9. Thornley Village Centre Provisions

***Previously circulated**

- a) To note Community Officer's Report
- b) To consider the sale of refreshments and merchandise at events and groups.
- c) To consider the use of volunteers.

10. To consider any response to Durham County Council regarding Planning Matters

Members should visit the [planning portal](#) if further information is required.

- a) To consider any response to Durham County Council regarding planning applications

1. [DM/25/02618/FPA](#) Land to the South of South Parade DH6 3EG
2. [DM/25/02865/RM](#) Plot 49, Dunelm Stables, Thornley
3. [DM/25/02255/FPA](#) Land to the North West of High Crows House, Wheatley Hill DH6 3QL

- d) To consider any planning applications received after the agenda was issued, to be dealt with by the Clerk using delegated authority

11. To note the clerks, update on the pump track target hardening.

12. Members' issues and suggestions

13. To consider items for the agenda of a future meeting

14. Date and time of the next meeting of the Parish Council

To confirm the date and time of the next meeting as 6.30pm on Tuesday 7 April 2026

15. To consider a resolution that the following items are classified as being of a confidential nature in accordance with section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960; at this point, if agreed, all members of the press and public would be asked to leave the meeting

16. To consider various staffing matters

- a) To agree working group dates for sifting job applications for Lead Hand position.
- b) To agree interview date for Lead Hand.
- c) To agree further training for J Walter

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