

Agenda: The ANNUAL AND MONTHLY MEETING of Thornley Parish Council at Thornley Village Centre on Tuesday 5 May 2026 (to be held directly after the Annual Parish Meeting 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 elect a Chairperson and receive their Declaration of Office**
- 3. To elect a Vice Chairperson and receive their Declaration of Office**
- 4. To receive Councillors' Declarations of Acceptance of Office**
- 5. 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.

- 6. To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 3 March 2026**
- 7. Public question and answer session**
- 8. Unitary County Councillor's Report**
- 9. Police Report**
- 10. Finance and Annual Governance**
 - a) Approve the finance report and schedule
 - b) Note the detailed income and expenditure
 - c) To note the year end internal Audit.
 - d) Approve Section 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return.
 - e) To discuss and agree on additional finance matters regarding internal controls.
- 11. Note and consider Progress Reports from Officers and Councillors**

*Previously circulated

- a) Parish Clerk's Report
 - 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 re Parish Council allotments.
 - iv) To not clerks update on the
- b) Reports from Parish Councillors
- d) Grounds' Officers Report

12. Thornley Village Centre Provisions

- a) To note community officers report
- b) To consider re allowing the sale of tea and coffee at toddlers.

13. To consider any responses 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/25/03450/RM Plot 38, Dunelm Stables, Thornley, Durham, DH6 3BN.
 2. DM/26/00045/FPA 21 Ashwood Grange, Thornley, Durham, DH6 3ET.
- b) To consider any planning applications received after the agenda was issued, to be dealt with by the clerk using delegated authority.

14. To Consider the placement of a pit tub in front of the Village Centre pit wheel.

15. Members issues and suggestions

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

17. Date and time of the next meeting of the Parish Council and full Council Meetings for the next year

- a) To confirm the date and time of the next meeting as 6.30pm on Tuesday 7 July 2026
- b) To confirm the times and place of Council Meetings for the next year

18. 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

19. Update on staffing.

20. Agree continuous action regarding horses on Parish Council land

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