Agenda: The Meeting of Thornley Parish Council at Thornley Village Centre on Tuesday 3 November 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 Parish Special Meeting held on 7 October 2026**

4. **To Receive the report of the Unitary County Councillor.**

5. **To Receive the Police Report.**

6. **Payments, Finance & Budgetary Control Reports**

   a) To approve the finance report and payment schedule

   b) To note the detailed income and expenditure

   c) To receive the completion letter of the External Auditor and the Completed Annual Governance and Accountability Return for the year 2025 to 2026

   d) To receive the draft budget for the year 2027 to 2028

7. **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.

   b) Reports from Parish Councillors

   c) Ground Officers Report

   d) Community Development workers Report

8. **Public question and answer session**

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

   Members should visit the planning portal if further information is required.

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

    1. DM/26/02353/RM Plot 52, Dunelm Stables, Thornley

    2. DM/26/02603/FPA Evermore, Dunelm Stables, Thornley

    b) To consider any planning applications received after the agenda was issued, to be dealt with by the Clerk using delegated authority. To review and consider playground updates.

11. To finalise the playground maintenance agreement.

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 12 January 2027

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 agree date for memorial meeting re Joyce and Terry.

17. To agree the procedure for appointing new allotment tenants and managing cases of tenant non-compliance.

18. Staffing Matters

a) New clerk laptop

b) Christmas staff bonus

Agenda issued 28 October 2026