

## **Minutes to the Thwing & Octon Parish Meeting held on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at Thwing Church Room, Church Lane, Thwing**

**Present: 14 members of the public**

**1192.** The meeting was chaired by Sandra Morrison Chairman of Thwing & Octon Parish Council.

**1193.** The Chairman welcomed parishioners, and declared the meeting open.

**1194.** The first item that was raised were the issues facing the village playground. The equipment has been in place for approx. 25 years and much of it is now failing. The committee that manages the playground needs new members. The cost of replacing the equipment and ongoing maintenance is as yet undetermined. Offers to help find funding have been made. The majority of those present felt that that the playground is a vital amenity and should be saved for future generations.

**1195.** Drainage issues were discussed in both Thwing & Octon. The drains/gullies have recently been cleaned, as part of an annual programme, however as the soakaways are not emptied, we still have issues with flooding down Main Street Thwing, when we have continual or persistent rain. This water is often full of mud, debris and lime from run off from various property entrances. The drain on the 's' bends on High Street at the Octon junction, go under the road and drain into the pond. This drain is kept clear by a local resident but the responsibility needs to be passed back to East Riding. Flooding on this section of the road is a traffic hazard.

**1196.** A resident asked for help regarding a large pot hole between their property drive and the road, which is causing issues for vehicle access. The matter has been reported to East Riding on several occasions, but nothing has been done. The Chairman agreed to follow this matter up with East Riding. Further pot holes were brought to the Chairman's attention and these are to be reported to East Riding for repair.

**1197.** Parishioners were advised that the broken finger post on the Eastern edge of Thwing, has been reported, as have 3 of the 'Welcome to our Village' signs which have failing graphics, and damage to their frames.

**1198.** Parishioners were advised that a ticket has been raised for the reflective markers on Thwing Road, to be repaired. The 30 mph signs in Thwing have been relocated with new ones being fitted on the Burton Fleming Road. Road markings to accompany the signs are to be done.

**1199.** A resident raised concerns regarding loud fireworks and the distress that this can cause to animals, and asked if anything can be done to mitigate this in the future.

**1200.** A brief update was given on The Falling Stone public house, which is a commercial building with no none ancillary use. Many present felt that in small villages like ours a good working pub was an essential amenity.

**1201.** The Parish Council have been successful in a funding bid, and have been awarded money from the UKSPF (Levelling Up), managed through East Riding of Yorkshire Council. The money has been spent on creating a Heritage Trail connecting the village of Thwing to the hamlet of Octon. QR codes along the route can be scanned, and information is available on the Parish Council web site, covering a brief history of the archaeological sites along the trail.

**1202.** Some further work has also been completed at the Mere, with a new drainage system being installed.

**1203.** The official opening of the trail will be on the 16<sup>th</sup> May starting at 2.00pm at Thwing Mere.

The Chairman thanked parishioners for their attendance and input and the Meeting closed at 8.20pm

**Signed as a true record.**

**Chairman**

**Date**