

THORNE-MOORENDS NEWSLETTER

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A Quality Parish Council

SUMMER 2007

A NEW COUNCIL ELECTED

A new Council was elected in May. Some Councillors were re-elected and we welcome a number of "newcomers". Your full Council team is:

THORNE

Councillor D. Barton
Councillor P. Best
Councillor A. Brookes
Councillor M. Green
Councillor K. Redmile
Councillor J. Walker
Councillor R. Walker
Councillor C. Williams
Councillor M. Williams

MOORENDS

Councillor B. M. Chowings
Councillor C. Dallas
Councillor G. S. Garth
Councillor P. Richardson
Councillor C. Taylor-Hatem
Councillor A. Want

The new Mayor is Councillor Carol Williams who has already been busy attending a number of official functions including:

- ◇ Presenting the prizes at Trinity Academy
- ◇ Opening a new children's nursery
- ◇ Thorne Colliery FC prize giving
- ◇ Moorends Hornets prize giving
- ◇ Moorends Jazz Band prize giving

Any voluntary organisations that would like a visit from the Mayor are invited to ring 01405 812092.



Thorne Market Place Gets the Finishing Touch



Following a number of requests from local residents, the granite setts were re-pointed last year in order to provide a better walking surface. A central path of smooth York stone complemented this work.

In addition one of the historic pumps was installed at the corner of the Market Place. The contractor for the work was Westmoreland Civil Engineering of Doncaster. The finishing touch has just been provided with the connection of a water supply to the pump to allow it to become a realistic and relaxing water feature during the day.



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Wyke Gate Road Recreation Ground

Following a period of public consultation - construction of the Multi Use Games Area at Wyke Gate started on 14th August 2006.

The work comprised:

- Installation of multi-use games area adjacent to the existing footpath.
- Provision of lighting and CCTV.
- Infilling beneath the skatepark jumps.
- Provision of a fence around the multi use games area and the skatepark.
- Landscaping and ancillary work.



Wyke Gate MUGA

Funding for the project was as follows:

- Biffaward Landfill Tax Scheme.
- Barclays spaces for sports.
- Thorne-Moorends Town Council.

The project managers were Groundwork Dearne Valley and the main contractor is Bernhards Landscapes (Sheffield) Ltd.

Funding has also been obtained for free sports sessions for young people of all ages using professionally qualified coaches. Sports include football, basketball, hockey etc.

Thorne CCTV Update

Following the success of the full-time monitoring of the Moorends CCTV system the Thorne CCTV system has now been upgraded to include the following features:

- 24/7 monitoring by professional operators.
- Facility for police control room to take control of cameras during an incident.
- Digital recording.
- Connection of the canalside and park cameras into the main system.
- Provision of help points in the Park and on Finkle Street.

The contractor for this work, which has been primarily funded by the Single Regeneration Budget Round 6 with a contribution from Thorne-Moorends Town Council, is Tyco Integrated Systems Limited.

South Yorkshire Police, Safer Neighbourhood Team for the Thorne-Moorends area have informed the Council that they have now moved into Thorne Police Station. With this move they hope to be more accessible to the members of the community. Sgt. Darren Johnston leads the team and contact telephone numbers are:

Thorne Police Station	01302 385153
Police Community Safety Officers	01302 385443
Crime Stoppers	0800 555111
South Yorkshire Police	01142 202020

← *If this number is used all calls are logged which enables the Police to build up a profile of crime in each area and therefore organise preventative operations when necessary.*

The officers dedicated to the following areas are:

THORNE

PCSO	David Twigg
PCSO	Steven MgGlone
PC3534	Claire Garland

Moorends

PCSO	Andrew Grix
PCSO	Melanie Parker
PC2452	Ivor Green

PEEL HILL MOTTE

Thorne Town Council in discussion with English Heritage has drawn up a plan for remedial works to the Motte, which is located in a prominent position near the centre of Thorne. A Motte and Bailey was a type of early castle, which was introduced by the Normans after 1066 and is depicted in the Bayeux Tapestry. This scheduled ancient monument has been suffering from erosion for many years – the repair of which was a major priority of the project together with a number of other improvements as follows:

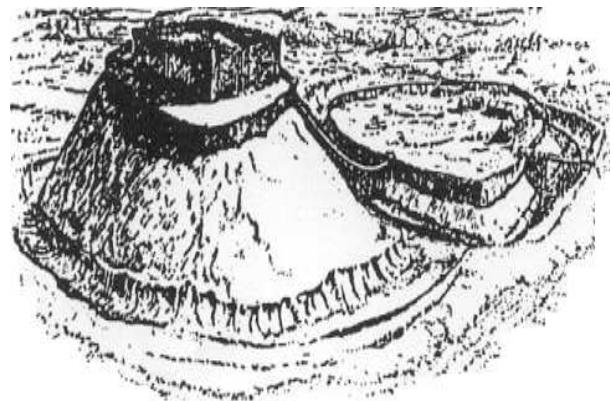
- Infill of eroded sections.
- Provision of steps to enable the public to access the top of the monument safely.
- Remedial works to the boundaries such as removal of leylandi and to be replaced by hawthorn hedging and a brick wall.
- Removal of shrubs and redundant hard furnishings.
- Provision of on site interpretation material.

Scheduled Monument Consent was applied for in November 2005 and the boundary improvement works were carried out in 2006. The current phase of the work is the repair of eroded sections,

provision of steps and construction of a path around the base funded largely by English Heritage with a £12000 grant. The Town Council is also putting in funds for further improvements such as higher railings, improved security gates, leaflets and information boards.

The Contractor was Bernhard's Landscapes (Wakefield) Ltd.

Preventative measures to stop biking and sliding down the Motte, which is causing so much damage are being considered and maintenance is being improved.



MOORENDS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Thorne-Moorends Town Council have received a grant of £52480.52 from the Rural Target Fund administered by the Yorkshire Rural Council (YRCC) towards the long awaited refurbishment of the Moorends Community Centre so that work can now go ahead.

The work will include:

- Construction of a new pitched roof to replace the flat roof to the rear of the building.
- Installation of damp proof course.
- Removal of old rendering and replacement with pebble dash
- Cleaning of stonework to front elevation.
- Installation of windows to give natural light in the main hall and meeting room together with security shutters.

The main contractor for the refurbishment works, which is valued at £82484.52, is J. O'Neil and Sons of Thorne.

Work commenced in July and every effort will be made to minimise inconvenience to users of the building.



Left to right: Cllr. Arthur Want, Cllr. Pauline Richardson, 2 employees of J.O'Neil Builders, Cllr. Maurice Chowings and Peter O'Neil.

Moorends CCTV Statistics

The camera system in Moorends is monitored professionally 24/7 and the Monitoring Centre has provided statistics regarding the use of the cameras to monitor specific incidents in Moorends in the first 5 months of 2007.

	Jan 07	Feb 07	Mar 07	April 07	May 07
Monitoring Nuisance behaviour	4	11	6	14	9
Informing Police of suspicious persons	3	3	2	6	3
Responding to Police request to monitor individuals	1		1	2	2
Responding to Police requests to monitor specific areas	4	3	3		1
Working in conjunction with others on operations	1	2			
Help Point activation in relation to serious incidents	1				
Monitored Police presence			1	1	1
Monitored incident in progress				2	

Please note that the Thorne system is now also monitored full time.

Members of the public are encouraged to report any incidents of concern to them when they are happening by dialling 999 so that the Police CCTV control room can monitor the incident.

Town Council Opening Times

Monday to Thursday - 9.00am - 5.00am
 Friday - 9.00am—4.00pm
 Closed for lunch 12.30-1.30 (each day)

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

COUNCIL MEETINGS

14 th August	Full Council
4 th September	Planning, Environmental, Amenities & Leisure
25 th September	Policy, Development, Finance & Staffing
16 th October	Full Council
6 th November	Planning, Environmental, Amenities & Leisure
27 th November	Policy, Development, Finance & Staffing
18 th December	Full Council

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8 th January	Planning, Environmental, Amenities & Leisure
29 th January	Policy, Development, Finance & Staffing
19 th February	Full Council
11 th March	Planning, Environmental, Amenities & Leisure
1 st April	Policy, Development, Finance & Staffing
22 nd April	Full Council

**Halls
for hire**

**Assembly Rooms and
Band Room, Thorne**

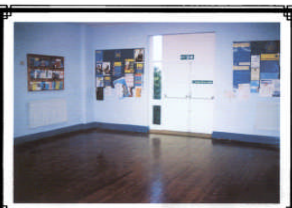
ASSEMBLY ROOMS

Large Community hall for hire. Ideal for:

- Parties
- Dancing
- Martial arts



For further information or to make a booking please contact Thorne-Moorends Town Council on 01405 812092



BAND ROOM

Medium sized room for hire

Suitable for:

- Smaller meetings
- Classes or
- Band Practice

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