Grindon and Thorpe Thewles Parish Council

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The next meeting of Grindon & Thorpe Thewles Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 10th February 2026 at Grindon Parish Hall, Thorpe Thewles.

1. **Public Forum –** Members of the public are invited to give their views and question the Council on issues on this agenda or raise issues for future discussion.
2. **Ward Councillor's Report** – to receive.
3. **Apologies for absence –** to note apologies and the reason and decide whether to accept.
4. **Declarations of Interest** – to declare any personal or prejudicial interests and their nature.
5. **Minutes –** to consider the approval of the Parish Meeting held on ***Tuesday 13th January 2026***.
6. **Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting**.
    (i) **Drone footage of solar farms**
    (ii) **2026/27 Budget – final review of investment plans**
7. **Maintenance Committee update** – to receive.
8. **Personnel Committee update** – to receive.
9. **Social Activities Committee update** – to receive.
10. **Finance:** to receive Financial Reports
11. **Training:** no additional training courses notified
12. **Planning:**

    26/0070/PDE. 23 Astral Drive Thorpe Thewles. Proposal: Prior notification for the erection of a single storey rear extension (length 6.3m, height to eaves 3.2m and overall height 3.4m)

    25/2128/FUL New House Middlefield Farm Durham Road. Erection of annexe extension to the rear and single storey extension and porch canopy to the front. Application of render to existing dwelling and alterations to existing windows / doors (demolition of existing porch and detached garage).
    Decision: **Approved with Conditions**

    Any applications received after the agenda has been circulated will be tabled at the meeting.

13. **Items of concern to Councillors** – including Issues Log (Issue Log items below)
14. **Communications** - to agree any communications to be issued.
15. **Date of the next meeting** – proposed as Tuesday 10th March 2026 at 6:30pm.

Issues Log items

The issues log captures items received in prior meetings until their conclusion. Current issues are:

1. **Astral Park**: Amenity Space; work currently underway
2. **Chicane to address speeding cars**: Astral Park; work delayed, was to be Oct/Nov.
3. **Speed Watch;** seems to not be progressing?
4. **Christmas Lights:** quote been requested for new electric point for tree at top end of village
5. **Durham Road Hedgerow @ Henley Drive** – SBC chasing Homes by Carlton for action control
6. **A177 / Wynyard Road junction and recent accidents:** update requested from SBC highways following recent accidents
7. **Request to reinstate speed signs on road on Durham Road (Henley Drive end);** SBC have again been chased for updates

8. **Closed path to Whitton –** SBC asked to provide timeline for opening
9. **Stillington Doctors –** approach made, will follow up with letter to Practice Manager
10. **Planter Maintenance –** options to be assessed for maintenance of all planters
11. **Revised SBC contact list –** Requested Cllr Gardner to provide an updated contact list
12. **Mud on Road @ Solar Farm** – Cllr Davies has raised with SBC to seek regular cleaning
13. **Wynyard Park pots and pans sculpture**. Requested Cllr Gardner to support repairs and improve access
14. **Hell Hole 'layby'** – Resident has asked if this could be closed off as it is attracting unsocial behaviour (lampers etc)