# 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 November 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 Update** – 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 minutes of the Parish Meeting held on ***Tuesday 13th October 2026***.
6. **Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting, not covered by issues log**. None
7. **Maintenance Committee update** – to receive.
8. **Personnel Committee update** – to receive; including update on Parish Clerk recruitment.
9. **Social Activities Committee update** – to receive.
10. **Finance:** to receive Financial Reports; and approve draft 2027/28 Budget.
11. **Training:** to receive any training updates.
12. **Planning:**
    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** – the next meeting is proposed to be held on Tuesday 8th December 2026 commencing at 6:30pm

**<u>Issues Log items</u>**

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

1. **Astral Park**: SBC are to ask Mandale to reseed, and consider issue closed.
2. **Christmas Lights:** SBC have quoted £3319.85 + VAT for electric point; may not be able to install pre Christmas.
3. **Durham Road Hedgerow @ Henley Drive** – SBC planners will follow replacement whip planting and maintenance with Homes by Carlton.
4. **A177 / Wynyard Road junction and recent accidents:** Works planned 21 November.
5. **Request to reinstate speed signs on road on Durham Road (Henley Drive end);** SBC confirm road painting on forward plan when funding allows. SBC confirm no funding for traffic calming, as not an identified accident spot.
6. **Closed path to Whitton –** SBC advise path closure extended further, and landowners chased for action
7. **Path adjacent to church** – SBC are contacting contractors to lay road plainings.
8. **Proposed Investments; using expected funding from Solar Farms**. Current expectation is sites will start generating in November; payment then due after 2 months operating.

a. **Speed Control Measures**. To be progressed pending funding and approval by SBC highways.
b. **Playpark**. Funding to be earmarked and boosted annually by using some precept funding. Play park upgrade project to commence when new clerk appointed

9. **SUDS/Flood Basins**. October 2026 Northumbria Water confirm they haven't adopted the sites and don't have any maintenance plans as they're the responsibility of the property developers.
10. **Chicane**: SBC have been requested to improve visibility of the chicane; or to approve the parish council adding planters with reflective strips