



THORP ARCH
PARISH COUNCIL

OCTOBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

New Speed Indication Devices



The Parish Council have recently ordered two new Speed Indication Devices (SID's) to support their road traffic

safety strategy. The devices will have additional features that can, for example, give warnings of children crossing the road.

One will be located at the bottom of Wood Lane, the other by the bridge on the exit from Thorp Arch to Boston Spa. We anticipate they will be in place by November.

Councillor Vacancy



We currently have a vacancy on the Parish Council. If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor, or would like to know more about the role, please contact the Clerk at clerk@thorp-arch.org.uk

The vacancy was created when Cllr David Hartley stepped down recently. We are grateful to him for his excellent work on road safety and for helping to forge an improved working relationship with the school. We wish him well for all future endeavours.

Allotments Update

Work has now commenced on the Allotment land. There will be twenty-four plots divided by a central horizontal path, constructed from crushed limestone. Vertical paths creating individual plots will be marked out with tree bark. Plot holders should be in a position to start planting this Autumn!



There are a small number of plots still unallocated. If you are interested, please contact: clerk@thorp-arch.org.uk

New Website

Our new website is now up and running. Please do visit and let us have any comments.

www.thorp-arch.org.uk

Village Events

Bulb Planting



The Village Society will be holding their annual bulb planting day on Sunday 27th October 2.00-3.00pm.

Meet in the car park at Lady Elizabeth Hastings School. Bring a spade or trowel. Bulbs will be provided. Planting locations will be decided on the day by those who are in attendance.

Village Bonfire and Fireworks Display



The Village Society bonfire and fireworks will be held on Sunday 3rd November at 5.30pm and will take place on the Kilby's field opposite Lady Elizabeth Hastings School.

Entry is free of charge, cash donations (to fund next year's display) welcome on the gate. Please bring cash for a hot dog!

Reporting Crime

If you are witness to a crime or are the victim of one, it is important to report it to the police to ensure a case can be built locally.

A true picture of crime in a particular area relies on the reporting of it. If you discuss it with a neighbour or on a social media platform, but fail to report it, then it won't be counted in statistics for the area. The statistics are used to help allocate resources to areas. The following provides information on how best to report crime:



**WEST YORKSHIRE
POLICE**

For non-urgent crimes and issues and to pass on information, call the Police on 101. In an emergency (if a crime is in progress or you think the offenders are nearby), call 999. Deaf, hard of hearing or

speech impaired people can use textphone 18001 101.

West Yorkshire Police website - [Police Website](#)
Email: nel.npt@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk

Community Payback Team

We are grateful to the Community Payback Team who have undertaken a number of jobs in Thorp Arch, including clearance of overgrown vegetation and most recently the cutting back of verge creep on Church Causeway. This has widened the footpath and allowed easier access for pedestrians.



School Hall

The hall and playing field at Lady Elizabeth Hastings school are available for hire in the evening and at weekends. Please contact Leeds lettings educ.lettings@leeds.gov.uk and copy in office@thorparch-leh.co.uk. Prices start from £15 per hour for some voluntary groups.

Report a Problem

Residents can report a range of problems online to Leeds City Council concerning **potholes, street lighting, dog fouling, blocked drains, footpaths, bridleways, fallen trees and street signs**. Please make a note of the link and report problems directly at:

[Report a Problem](#)

Community Groups Directory

The Parish Council Community Groups Directory leaflet, can be viewed here: [Community Groups Directory](#)



Facebook

Please visit the Parish Council Facebook page here:

<https://www.facebook.com/ThorpArchPC/>

Newsletter Sign Up



Anyone can sign up for this newsletter via our website: www.thorp-arch.org.uk
The Newsletter sign up box can be found on the Homepage.

Date of Next Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 11th November 2024 at Lady Elizabeth Hastings School 7.00pm - 9.00pm.