

**NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL**

**DECISION RECORD**

**Re: Nomination for The Jefferson Arms Thorganby as an Asset of Community Value**

This record is produced in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

**The following decision has been taken: -**

- a) The nomination for The Jefferson Arms Public House Thorganby nr York YO19 6DB is unsuccessful and does not meet the definition of community value as detailed in the Localism Act 2011
- b) It should be placed on the North Yorkshire Council Assets of Community Value List of Unsuccessful Nominations

**By whom:**

*Rachel Joyce Asst Chief Executive-Local Engagement*

**On:**

*10 July 2024*

**Was this an executive decision?**

**No**

**If an executive decision, was it also a key decision?**

**NO**

**Does the call-in period apply?**

**NO**

**Have any urgency or call in exemption procedures been followed?** **NO**

- **Constitution** Schedule 4 Officers Scheme of Delegation - Section 14 Delegation to the Assistant Chief Executive Local Engagement page 189 (b) (iii)

**Reasons for decision: -**

The Premises have been run as a traditional village public house for several decades however in recent times it has struggled to remain open and has seen a number of failed tenancies over the last decade finally closing in October 2022.

The Jefferson Arms has had some community use, and this was potentially for a long period of time. There are statements about uses of The Jefferson Arms associated with a community facility however the information is fairly descriptive/generic and consistent with a traditional village public house. There is some reference to annual or life events such as New Years Eve parties, weddings, christenings and pub quiz nights demonstrating a connection between the pub and the local community. However evidence outlining community use by formal groups for hosting meetings/events, and for recreational or sporting interests is not sufficiently evidenced relying on descriptive and generic statements from local and former residents to support the nomination. A statement from the chair of the parish council confirms no formal meetings were held

there. This is key to providing a community link. Therefore the nomination does not further the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community as required by the act.

***In conclusion there is insufficient information provided to demonstrate that the uses detailed further the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community and this criteria is therefore not met.***

***There is insufficient information provided to demonstrate actual use that is non-ancillary and therefore this criteria is not met.***

***Furthermore the evidence is insufficient to demonstrate the nature of the community use and the 1 year and 9-month time period since closure is therefore not within the recent past and this criteria is also not met.***

***Details of any alternative options considered and rejected: -***

None. Not to consider the nomination for The Jefferson Arms Thorganby, would not fulfil the Council's responsibilities required by the Localism Act 2011 and The Assets of Community Value (England) Regulations 2012.

**Conflicts of Interest**

Please record below details of any conflict of interest declared by a Member or Officer regarding the decision and any dispensation granted by the Standards and Governance Committee or Monitoring Officer in respect of that conflict.

Conflict	Dispensation?
None Recorded	None Recorded

**Background Papers**

Please attach to this decision record, for publication, the background papers that disclose any facts or matters on which this decision, or an important part of the decision, was based and which were relied on to a material extent in making the decision, but this does not include published works or those which disclose exempt or confidential information (as defined in Access to Information Procedure Rule 10).

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