

POST OFFICE AND TELEPHONES

24/03/1924 'Proposed that an application be made to the Post-Master Whitehaven to have a Sub Post Office at Thornhill for the delivery of letters at that place and the surrounding districts, Carleton, Scurgill, Lowmill and the other outlying places instead of the letters being carried to Egremont as at present.'

12/11/1925 Reply received to the above but no details were recorded.

15/04/1926 'proposed that Clerk write to Post-Master General with respect to the delivery of letters in St Johns Parish and ask that a sub Post Office be established at Thornhill with powers to deal direct with Mail.'

15/06/1928 Letter received re Telephone installation at Thornhill informing the Council that they did not consider the receipts would warrant one but they would consider the matter further if we were willing to guarantee approximately £14-15-0 per year. Suggested that the Clerk write to ask if the guarantee was to be a sum of £14-15-0- per year and bring it up at next meeting.

31/08/1928 'Proposed that the Clerk write and ask if a public telephone at Thornhill could not be installed at about £5-0-0 per year instead as already quoted £14-15-0'

04/12/1928 'After a lengthy discussion it was decided to ask the Post Master General to install a telephone kiosk at Thornhill at the cheapest cost.

' That the Clerk write to Post-Master General asking for better facilities in all postal matters at Thornhill

18/12/1928 'The Clerk read letters from the Post-Master General re telephones proposed that the information required by Post Office Authority's be supplied. That the Kiosk be erected as near central as possible subject to approval for RDC and Post Office Authority'

01/03/1929 'the Clerk read letter from Post-Master General informing the Council that the facilities asked for would be granted experimentally and their permanent continuance or otherwise would depend on the use made of them.

'Clerk read letter from Post Office telephone department stating that they had received permission to erect the telephone kiosk at Thornhill from RDC

18/07/1929 'The Clerk read letter with reference to the opening of the telephone kiosk at Thornhill. Proposed that the Chairman and any of the Councillors with the Clerk attend to opening of the Kiosk on the 26th July at Thornhill

28/01/1930 'that the Clerk write to Telephone Authority asking that telephone kiosk at Thornhill be lighted up.'

04/11/1930 'That Clerk write to Authority's re light to be affixed in Thornhill telephone kiosk.'

'That clerk write to Post-Master General re Post Office despatch from Thornhill each morning and a second delivery'

09/01/1931 'That Clerk write to Postal Authority again re lighting of telephone kiosk

06/02/1931 'Clerk read letter from District telephone engineer re lighting of telephone kiosk' 'that Clerk write Post-Master General what would be the amount extra guarantee that would be required to get telephone kiosk at Thornhill fitted with electricity'

29/09/1933 'proposed that Clerk ask Whitehaven Rural District to light up Telephone box at Thornhill'

06/07/1959 'The telephone at Thornhill was supposed to be inadequate and queues were formed every evening and often in the day. Mr Sarginson proposed the Clerk write to ERDC and enquire if another kiosk could be provided on the new estate.'

27/06/1960 'Mr Wrightson spoke of the inconvenience to people using the telephone and after some discussion it was decided the Clerk write to the Post-Master General or telephone Manager of the urgency of this matter.'

20/07/1960 'Letter read from Post Office Telephones and before any additional kiosk is provided they must carefully examine the need for such a kiosk and at the same time make enquiries to find out whether they have lines available for the appropriate cables. They have arranged for these enquiries to be put in hand and will let us know as soon as these have been completed.'

19/09/1960 'Letter from Mr J C Astle Sales Superintendent Telephone Kiosk saying he had however recorded our request and would certainly arrange to review the position when new cables have been installed. Arrangements are in hand to provide a new kiosk at Oaklands'

21/11/1960 'The Post Office Telephone Department will shortly consider the allocation of rural telephone kiosks in Cumberland asking if any previous requests for kiosks had not been met, to please report request. Proposed that the kiosk for the new estate recently asked for at Wodow Road be reconsidered.'