



WATERPERRY with THOMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

January 2017

Minutes of Waterperry with Thomley Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 18th
January 2017 in the Lecture Room, Waterperry Gardens

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MINUTES

Present: Sue Parker, Lawrence Wootten, Daryl Atkinson, Dean Fonge, Royston Davis
Apologies: None
Also Present: District Councillor John Walsh and County Councillor Anne Purse

Actions

- 1) Dean declared an interest in the Planning Application relating to Lorien.
- 2) Minutes of the previous meetings on 7th December 2016, sent by email to all councillors, approved and signed.

Matters carried forward from previous minutes:

- a. Finance: Claim contribution for the mowing of the large village verge as OCC no longer does it, and this small amount of money could be put towards one of the road projects.
- b. Emergency Plan: Sue agreed to discuss possible use of classroom with Waterperry House.

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- 3) Public Open Session:
John Walsh mentioned that the SODC Local Plan would be out for consultation in Feb/Mar and that one of the three route options for the proposed Oxford, Milton Keynes, Cambridge Express Way (dual carriageway) could get close to Waterperry Parish.
Anne Purse mentioned that OCC to increase its proportion of the Council Tax by 1.99% plus a one-off 3% to cover costs of services for the elderly, totalling 4.99% this year.
Both mentioned that Unitary Councils are to be discussed again.

- 4) Finance:
The Review of Effectiveness of Internal Audit was agreed and signed.
The parish council agreed to a £100 donation to the Maple Tree Centre in Wheatley, which lost funding from OCC last year.
Agreed to set a bank account up, connected to the parish council, for the running of the HWW Parish Magazine. Although the magazine does manage to cover its costs, the parish council agreed to donate a split of any reasonable shortfall if this did happen in the future. Lawrence agreed to check with Holton and Waterstock parishes if they would agree as well. The clerk to check auditing requirements for the account.

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The following accounts/receipts were previously approved, or approved at this meeting, and paid:

None

The following items were received since the previous meeting:

VAT Refund to 03/2016 £394.78 (direct to bank account – 12/16)

to make
payments and
bank money
as required

- 5) Litter Pick:
Agreed for a village litter pick on **Sunday 19th March at 10am**. Clerk to arrange for litter pickers, sacks, gloves and high visibility jackets, etc and advertise in parish magazine.

Clerk

- 6) Recreation Ground / Marquee Maintenance:
Rec Ground Maintenance – In preparation for a spring tidy of the recreation ground, the councillors agreed to get together in the recreation ground on Sunday 19th February at 10:30am to list the works required in relation to the annual inspection report.
Clerk in discussion with owners of neighbouring property about the ownership of the rotten fence.
Land Registration – Agreed to expected costs of £250 for solicitor to progress land registration. Sue to

All

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confirm details and send to councillors.

- 7) Update on Village Projects:
Sue said she would arrange the hiring of the speed check apparatus. Clerk to check insurance requirements. SP/Clerk
Sue mentioned she was attending a Neighbourhood Plan meeting on Friday, and Royston said he would like to go as well. SP/RD
Clerk agreed to fill in funding application form for a defibrillator in the phone box. Clerk
- 8) Correspondence:
Sue mentioned she was notified by Waterstock of a planning application on the Waterstock/Waterperry border alongside the River Thame and the M40, with an upcoming consultation deadline. This was for a long track and large stables to houses horses solely on the land to keep the grass low. The parish council had concerns over the real intentions for this site and agreed it should raise an objection. SP/Clerk
- 9) Planning Applications:
[P16/S4288/HH](#) – Thomley Hall Farm Cottage Menmarsh Road Worminghall HP18 9JZ – Small single storey front extension. External alterations including windows/doors and cladding, detached outbuilding for garaging and storage.
After a brief discussion, the parish council agreed it had No Strong Views.
[P16/S2467/FUL](#) – Lorien Waterperry OX33 1LD – Demolition of existing garage and erection of new dwelling.
After discussion, the parish council agreed it had several concerns with this application and agreed to recommend it should be Refused.

The clerk will enter details on the SODC planning website. Clerk
- 10) Any Other Business:
Sue reported that she had been contacted by villagers that had been disturbed by the noise of building work being done during the weekend on a house being renovated nearby. The parish council agreed it would not progress this issue with the householders unless the situation arose regularly.
- 11) The date of the next meeting will be on Wednesday 1st March 2017 in the Lecture Room, Waterperry Gardens at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 9:25pm

Additional Notes:

- a. Next quarterly Expenditure vs Budget review
- b. Weekly Routine and Quarterly Inspections by the clerk, councillors and volunteers.
- c. Clerk to buy Danish Oil to treat gates, play equipment and benches in Spring.

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