



# WATERPERRY with THOMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

May 2016

Minutes of Waterperry with Thomley Parish Council Annual Parish Meeting held on  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 8pm in the Lecture Room, Waterperry Gardens

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## MINUTES

Present: Sue Parker, Daryl Atkinson, Lawrence Wootten, Royston Davies  
Apologies: Dean Fonge  
Also Present: County Councillor Anne Purse, District Councillor John Walsh  
and several parishioners

### Actions

1) There were no declarations of interest for the meeting.

2) Drinks and Nibbles were provided.

3) Chairman's Report:

Sue read out her Chairman's Report for the financial year 2015/2016 discussing the different activities a parish council can be involved in, not all relevant to today's modern world. The chairman thanked the clerk/RFO for his work during the last year and the councillors for their involvement. The clerk agreed to arrange for the Chairman's Report to be displayed on the Parish Noticeboard and added to the Parish Website.

Clerk

4) Update from County and District Councillors:

Anne Purse spoke about cuts and children's centres being closed next year, bus services, unitary council for Oxfordshire, roads and traffic.

John Walsh spoke about unitary councils, the SODC Plan 2032 for consultation and Neighbourhood Plans.

5) Village Event and Recreation Ground Furniture and Gate Treatment:

The parishioners and councillors discussed the village event for the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Royston and a villager offered to sand and treat the village benches before the event.

The clerk offered to treat the gates to the recreation ground

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Clerk

6) Open Discussions and Questions from parishioners:

Apart from the on-going wish that we had faster broadband (out of our control, but the PC will keep trying to check progress on this), there were three main issues that were important to everyone at the meeting:

Reducing traffic speed through the village

Repairing our verges and preventing further erosion

Review of the SODC Plan 2032, when sent out for consultation in June, to see if Waterperry village continues to be classified as sustainable for development due to shop at garden centre; and to consider starting a Neighbourhood Plan in order to consolidate residents' views on future development in the village.

It was agreed at the end of the meeting that the strong feelings expressed by villagers attending had given the Parish Council a clear mandate to progress these matters in the coming months.

Clerk

Meeting closed at 10:10pm