



# WATERPERRY with THOMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

December 2016

Minutes of Waterperry with Thomley Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>  
December 2016 in the Lecture Room, Waterperry Gardens

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## MINUTES

Present: Sue Parker, Lawrence Wootten, Daryl Atkinson  
Apologies: Dean Fonge, Royston Davis  
Also Present: County Councillor Anne Purse

### Actions

- 1) There were no declarations of interest for the meeting.
- 2) Minutes of the previous meetings on 26<sup>th</sup> October and 9<sup>th</sup> November 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.
- c. Rec Ground Maintenance: The clerk offered to establish ownership of the fence on the left of the recreation ground, which was rotting as per the item in the 2015 annual inspection report.

Clerk

SP

Clerk

- 3) Public Open Session:

Anne Purse mentioned a register where vulnerable people are able to sign up so they are given priority when a power cut occurs, along with a consultation on cuts for services aimed at older people. She also mentioned a finance plan for Wheatley Maple Tree Centre to enable it to keep running following cuts and requested the parish council to consider making a small donation.

- 4) Recreation Ground / Marquee Maintenance:

Annual Inspection – This has been completed and only minor issues were raised. The cracks in the wooden play equipment posts were mentioned and advice was to check them regularly. Royston had already offered to put preservative on the posts to help prevent rotting from trapped water and all agreed this should be done.

RD

Rec Ground Maintenance – Agreed to have a spring tidy of the recreation ground, referring to the points raised in the annual inspection report, along with removing a metal pole in the recreation ground.

Clerk

Marquee – To be checked when next used by the parish council as small holes reported in larger one. Royston had already agreed to ensure marquee stored so that further rodent damage prevented.

RD

SP

Land Registration – No update.

- 5) Update on Village Projects:

Awaiting further info from OCC post recent site visit.

SP

Agreed that the verge posts should be progressed, along with hiring speed check apparatus in spring.

Agreed to find out how to get advice and anticipated costs on progressing a Neighbourhood Plan.

Clerk

- 6) Finance including Future Projects and Precept:

VAT Return sent in for invoices raised between August 2015 and March 2016 totalling £394.78.

It was agreed that future projects funded by the parish council will include maintaining the recreation ground using the current year's unspent budget, verge posts and verge repairs, cutting growth around pear trees, painting the red telephone box and purchasing a defibrillator and coded box to go in the telephone box. The clerk offered to put his remaining donation money from the previous year and this year's money, totalling £550, towards the costs. It was agreed to look into grants available to help towards the upfront costs of the defibrillator with the final amount coming from the parish council, along with any maintenance

costs.

The parish council will also instigate the speed check survey in spring to determine the requirement for a 20mph speed limit, and has already asked OCC Highways to repair the subsided road along the large village verge, as well as the entrance to Manor farmyard and to put gullies in the verge to prevent flooding at the recreation ground entrance.

Agreed to use the Harvest Supper money for village projects.

The councillors reviewed the 2017/2018 budget drawn up by the clerk, along with the above projects for this period, and agreed to keeping the precept at £2,600 for 2017/2018.

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

L Wootten (Website Renewal and Stat. Declaration)	£61.00	(cheque 100181 – 11/16)
Play Inspection Company (Rec Grnd Ann Insp)	£75.00	(cheque 100182)
Windmill Landscapes (Grass Cutting)	£201.60	(cheque 100183)

The following items were received since the previous meeting:

Harvest Supper Donation	£177.25	(petty cash – 11/16)
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Clerk  
to make  
payments and  
bank money  
as required

7) HWW Magazine Bank Account:

Lawrence said he would bring the paperwork to the next meeting.

LW

8) Correspondence:

None.

9) Any Other Business:

Sue mentioned that the salt bin was full but there was not much reserve salt left. Clerk to progress.

Clerk

10) The date of the next meeting will be on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017 in the Lecture Room, Waterperry Gardens at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 9:20pm

Additional Notes:

- Weekly Routine and Quarterly Inspections by the clerk, councillors and volunteers.
- Litter Pick in March 2017
- Include rec gate closing correctly in Quarterly Inspections
- Clerk to buy treatment for the gates using Sikkens Cetol HLS, Filter 7/Sadolin Extra.

All  
Clerk  
Clerk  
Clerk