



WATERPERRY with THOMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

November 2015

Minutes of Waterperry with Thomley Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 25th
November 2015 in the Lecture Room, Waterperry Gardens

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MINUTES

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

Actions

- 1) There were no declarations of interest for the meeting.
- 2) Minutes of the previous meeting on 21st October 2015 that were sent by email to all councillors were approved and signed.

Matters carried forward from previous minutes:

a. Recreation Ground:

Gate Treatment: It was agreed to buy the treatment for the gates using Sikkens Cetol HLS, Filter 7 or Sadolin Extra.

Clerk

Trees: Include trees in the Quarterly Inspection.

Clerk

b. Finance:

The clerk agreed to arrange for the bank mandate to be changed to remove Adrian Peake and to add Lawrence Wootten, who kindly agreed at this meeting.

Clerk

3) Public Open Session:

Anne Purse spoke about county council issues including a supported transport scheme where school buses could be used to run bus services in villages between schools starting and ending and that the Wheatley Children's Centre may be at risk of closure due to reduced funding.

The clerk read out a statement he had written, first thanking Sue and Rob for organising the Bonfire Nights over the last few years, and then stating that it was a shame the parish council bonfire and firework night had been cancelled this year due to the councillors not committing to help organise the yearly event under the parish council, yet three of them managed to help organise a village firework party. This would mean there was no VAT Refund on the costs involved, no parish council insurance and what should be proper organisation of the event. The clerk also mentioned that not all villagers felt they were invited despite some of their money from the harvest supper they attended being used. Some did not know until the last minute or even afterwards and therefore were not able to go or to take care of their animals during the event.

4) Finance:

The 2016/17 precept was discussed using the budget drawn up by the clerk. It was agreed to increase the precept to £2600 to cover all costs including the mowing of the recreation ground and partial mowing of the village verge. The clerk agreed to process the request for precept and to accept Windmill Landscapes mowing quote for 2016.

Clerk

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

Land Registry (Recreation Ground)	£40.00	(Cheque 100166)
Play Inspection Company	£75.00	(Cheque 100167)

Clerk
to make
payments and
bank money
as required

The following items were received since the previous meeting:

None

- 5) Recreation Ground Maintenance:
Annual Inspection: The councillors discussed the report produced by the play inspection company which had not raised any major issues, and all agreed to follow up on some of the minor issues raised. SP / Clerk
 It was agreed to continue with the play inspection company next year. Clerk
Signs: Sue confirmed this was in progress and would be ready soon. SP
Land Registration: The clerk agreed to ask Adrian Peake if he had sent the cheque and additional details requested to the Land Registry. Clerk
- 6) Bonfire Night:
 The councillors involved in the village fireworks party explained that it did not take that much time to organise this as a private event, especially without having a bonfire. They all agreed it would have taken much more organisation as a parish council event and that they would not have had enough spare time for this. It was agreed that in the future the parish council would not host a bonfire and firework event, but all were happy to be involved in a future village fireworks party organised by parents and grandparents in the village.
- 7) Planning Applications:
P15/S3542/FUL – New Thomley Hall Farm House Menmarsh Road Worminghall HP18 9JZ – Erection of a steel framed building, clad in natural finish feather edged boarding.
 After discussion, it was agreed that Waterperry Parish Council has no strong views on this application.
P15/S3691/LB – The Corner Cottage Road Running Through Waterperry Waterperry OX33 1LD – Proposed dormer window to rear roof of cottage.
 After discussion, it was agreed that Waterperry Parish Council has no strong views on this application.
 The clerk will enter details on the SODC planning website. Clerk
- 8) Correspondence:
 Sue mentioned that she had been in contact with the local police about whether any of the three recent accidents along the Waterperry Road were connected to Brookes, but was told they were not. She also mentioned the continuing issue of cars parking along the Waterperry Road in the dark/fog with no lights on. Postal/email correspondence was reviewed. Clerk
- 9) Any Other Business:
 The clerk mentioned that he thought a sign had been taken on the Waterperry S Bend. The councillors agreed to notify the clerk if they agreed. All
- 10) The date of the next meeting will be on Wednesday 20th January 2016 in the Lecture Room, Waterperry Gardens at 7.30pm; although a quick meeting for a planning application will take place on Wednesday 23rd December.

Meeting closed at 9:05pm

Additional Notes:

- Send PC Meeting update for the Parish Magazine and this to be done on a regular basis. Clerk
- Send email correspondence to councillors as and when it comes in. Clerk
- PC Events to be arranged earlier and tasks delegated to councillors and volunteers. Clerk
- Weekly Routine and Quarterly Inspections by the clerk, councillors and volunteers. All
- Review the Rec Ground trees in Spring 2016