



# WATERPERRY with THOMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

April 2018

Minutes of Waterperry with Thomley Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday  
11<sup>th</sup> April 2018 in the Lecture Room, Waterperry Gardens

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## MINUTES

Present: Sue Parker, Lawrence Wootten, Daryl Atkinson, Dean Fonge\*, Royston Davis  
Apologies: None (\*from 20:10)  
Also Present: None

### Actions

- 1) There were no declarations of interest for the meeting.
- 2) Minutes of the previous meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2018 sent by email to all councillors approved and signed.

Matters carried forward from previous minutes:

- a. Finance: Claim contribution for the mowing of the village verge, as OCC no longer does it, to use towards the mowing costs. Clerk
  - b. HWW Mag: Although the magazine does manage to cover its costs, the parish council and Waterstock have agreed to donate a split of any reasonable shortfall if this did happen in the future. Lawrence agreed to check with Holton parish council if it would agree as well. LW
- 3) Public Open Session:  
Sue referred to the emails sent by OCC Councillor Kirsten Johnson and SODC Councillor John Walsh. Daryl and Royston agreed to attend the EAG Meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> May which MP John Howell is arranging. DA / RD
  - 4) Finance:  
2017/18 Expenditure against Budget for the end of the financial year reviewed.  
2017/18 Cash Book for the end of the financial year reconciled and agreed were correct.

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

Verge Posts (S Parker)	£335.40	(cheque 100205)
OALC Membership	£135.06	(cheque 100206)
Ink Costs / Travel Mileage (A Cave)	£25.79	(petty cash)

The following items were received since the previous meeting:

Precept (first half)	£1,600.00	(direct to bank account)
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Payments and Receipts into the Village News Account for the HWW Magazine are not shown here.

Councillors agreed to a further donation of £100 to Wheatley Maple Tree.

Review of Risk Assessment for Defibrillator completed and agreed with one additional point to be added in relation to malfunction of the defibrillator when in use.

- 5) Recreation Ground:  
Football Net: Lawrence said he would order a replacement larger football net and put it up. LW  
Grass Mats: Sue will order the two grass mats for the swings and pass them to Lawrence to install. SP / LW  
Entrance Drainage Problems: Sue showed an email from OCC Highways stating that this is on their list.  
Land Registration: Sue had gone through the paperwork produced by the solicitor, and that it would now be progressed by the solicitor. SP

- 6) Update on Village Projects:  
Village Road Repairs: Sue showed an email from OCC Highways stating that the road repair along the large village verge and at farmyard entrance is on their list. Sue continues to liaise regularly with OCC Highways to push for repairs and drain clearing.  
Traffic Speed Reduction: The councillors discussed the requirement for a traffic survey on the village road, and Sue will obtain full potential costs and procedure instructions from OCC to present at the APM. SP  
Replacement of Seated Table and Bench in Rec: Lawrence referred to some examples of recycled plastic furniture along with costs and agreed to obtain detailed options and quotes to present them at the APM. LW
- 7) Arrangements for APM/AMP:  
Agreed to purchase drinks and nibbles for the AMP, and to include discussion of how the CIL money should be spent on the agenda. Clerk
- 8) Waterperry Signs:  
The Waterperry Gardens banners at the entrance to Waterperry village were discussed by the councillors. Concerns were raised that they are unnecessarily there, as there is already a proper signpost to direct traffic to Waterperry Gardens, and most of the traffic coming along the Holton/Worminghall Waterperry Road is traffic to Waterperry Gardens itself or local traffic. Over recent years, these signs have got bigger and large vinyl banners are now displayed regularly all through the year. The PC agreed that the signs are too large and are believed to be in breach of planning regulations specific to advertising signs and hoardings. There was also unanimous concern that signs on this difficult bend could present a road hazard; that they could act as a precedent for other businesses to place signs along the road and that they are there without any consideration for the feelings and opinions of village residents. It was agreed that it was important that the PC should take a formal stand on this matter. Daryl agreed to draft an email to Waterperry Estate management to be circulated to all councillors for agreement before sending. DA
- 9) Correspondence:  
None.
- 10) Any Other Business:  
None.
- 11) Other than possible meetings for planning applications, the date of the next meeting will be on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2018 in the Lecture Room, Waterperry Gardens at 7.30pm for the Annual Parish Meeting (APM) and 8pm for the Annual Meeting of the Parish (AMP).

Meeting closed at 8:53pm