



**Minutes of Shipton-On-Cherwell & Thrupp Parish Council
Held in the Shipton Village Hall on Monday 20 January 2025 at 7.00 pm**

Councillors Present: Cllr Nigel Simpson, Cllr David Duthie (Vice-Chair), Cllr Fin MacEwan, Cllr Alan Bentall

In Attendance: Sarah Kearney (Parish Clerk), Sam Dawson

Residents: 0

Apologies: Cllr Anna Capilli-Francis, resigned at the last meeting on 6 March before the meeting was open, due to this resignation the meeting wasn't quorum and had to be cancelled

1. **To Receive Councillor Apologies for Absence (Clerk)**
2. **To Record Members' Declarations of Interest Regarding the Agenda Items**
Samatha Dawson – Declared that her husband is Councillor for Woodstock Town Council
3. **To Approve and Sign the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 26 January 2025**
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** that the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting and were signed by Chair Cllr Nigel Simpson.
4. **Public Participations** – to receive questions from members of the public relating to items on the agenda, by the Council's code of conduct and standing orders.
No public attended
5. **To Receive A report from the District Council - Cllr Gemma Coton and Laura Gordon County Council**
Cllr Laura Gordon – sent in a report which had been circulated before the meeting
6. **Governance – (Clerk)**
 - 6.1 **Co-Option of Councillor** – to consider and agree to Sam Dawson, replacement for our Councillor in Thrupp
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and agreed to the co-option of Samatha Dawson
 - 6.2 **LGR – Local Government Reorganisation** – update
This is now in the hands of the Government to make any further decisions
 - 6.3 **Standing Orders** – re-adopted for 2026/27
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and approved the re-adopted for 2026/27
 - 6.4 **Financial Regulations** – re-adopted for 2026/27
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and approved the re-adopted for 2026/27
 - 6.5 **Code of Conduct** – to acknowledge for 2026/27
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and acknowledged the Code of Conduct for 2026/27
 - 6.6 **Risk Assessment** – to acknowledge for 2026/27
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and acknowledged the Risk Assessment for 2026/27
 - 6.7 **Asset Register** – to acknowledge for 2026/27
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and acknowledged the Asset Register for 2026/27
 - 6.8 **Internal Financial Controls** – to acknowledge for 2026/27
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and acknowledged the Internal Financial Controls for 2026/27
7. **Finance – update (Clerk)**
 - 7.1 **Financial Report** – to receive the report and the year-end budget monitoring for information
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and approved the Financial Report

- 7.2 **Invoices for Payment March**– to consider invoices for payment, itemised, and the payment schedule sheet
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and approved the March Payments
- 7.3 **Budget Monitoring for March** – to consider any overspends
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and approved the Budget monitoring for March

8. To Receive a Report on Parish Matters

- 8.1 **Canal and River Trust** – update
Cllr Duthie informed the Clerk about a broken tree branch that had fallen across the footpath. This was reported to the CRT, and they confirmed it had been removed.
- 8.2 **Flooding** – update
There are no updated reports since the weather has been relatively good. The measures taken to address flooding are effectively keeping the water levels down. The Clerk mentioned that there is some funding available for councils and suggested it might be a good idea to apply for some for Shipton-on-Cherwell and Thrupp. The councillors agreed that this was a great idea.
- 8.3 **Weaveley Furze** – update from Cllr Duthie
Cllr Duthie reported: Winter working party meet up a couple of weeks ago, tied up were Shipton path has been sorted, tree ivy cut back
- 8.4 **Airport** – update from Cllr Duthie
Cllr Duthie reported: Last meeting was very short, nothing really to report
- 8.5 **Five Parishes** – verbal update from Cllr Simpson
Cllr Simpson explained to Cllr Dawson that this group is responsible for funding allocated for all developments across the five different parishes. He also suggested it would be beneficial for Cllr Dawson to attend the meeting on behalf of the Shipton-on-Cherwell and Thrupp Parish Council.
- 8.6 **Pirate Flag within Bunkers Hill** – update from planning enforcement
Enforcement replied to the Council and said they were looking into the matter.

9. Highways

- 9.1 **Speed Watch** – update from Cllr Bentall
The councillors expressed great concern about the amount of speeding that is still occurring through Bunkers Hill, especially given the significant difference in speed limits, which drop from 50 mph to 20 mph. Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) is currently exploring options to reduce speed gradually and implement additional speed limits between these two to encourage drivers to slow down more consistently. Councillor Duthie will be emailing Councillor Gordon at OCC to inquire whether this gradual speed reduction can be considered for Bunkers Hill.

10. Planning Applications – to consider all recent applications received from Cherwell District Council detailed below and any other planning applications submitted between the circulation of this Agenda and the meeting:

- 10.1 **Quarry** – update
Walk around the quarry – verbal update from Cllr Simpson
Cllr Simpson walked around the quarry, still a lot work is happening on site it was discussed that it might be good idea to have further meeting with OCC to what is happening go forward with the quarry.

New Planning Applications:

- 10.2 [25/01346/OUT](#) Part OS Parcel 0006 North Of The Moors Kidlington
Proposal: Outline planning application with All Matters Reserved (except means of access) for up to 340 dwellings (Use Class C3), land for local community use and pavilion, landscaping, public open space and associated infrastructure, including demolition of 162 The Moors to enable all modes access
Response: Rejected

Applications Pending:

- 10.3 [25/01510/OUT](#) Land South Of Perdiswell Farm Shipton Road Shipton On Cherwell

Proposal: Outline planning application for the erection of up to 500 dwellings and commercial floorspace (Use Class E) with associated access, open space and infrastructure - All Matters Reserved except for Access

Response: No Objection

10.4 Development at Woodstock – verbal update

Cllr Dawson and Cllr Simpson are arranging a meeting with the developers to see whether Shipton-On-Cherwell & Thrupp Parish Council, could arrange some S106 for this Parish Council

Applications Decisions:

11. Important Correspondence received since the last meeting

12. Confidential Matters – Public and Press will be asked to leave while matters are discussed, confidentially, by the Council

Date of Next Meeting: TBC

Meeting Finished: