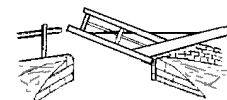




Shipton-on-Cherwell & Thrupp Parish Council

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Minutes of Shipton-On-Cherwell & Thrupp Parish Council Held in the Shipton Village Hall on Wednesday 6 May 2026 at 7.00 pm

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

In Attendance: Sarah Kearney (Parish Clerk)

Residents: 1

Apologies: No Apologies

1. To Receive Councillor Apologies for Absence (Clerk)

No Apologies received

2. To Record Members' Declarations of Interest Regarding the Agenda Items

Nothing to Declare

3. To Approve and Sign the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 23 March 2026

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.

1 - Residents

5. To receive a report from the District/County Councillor (Cllr Gemma Coton) & (Cllr Laura Gordon)

No County or District Councillors attended the meeting. Cllr Nigel Simpson asked whether the Clerk could request that, if they were unable to attend a meeting, another Councillor could attend in their place so that the Parish Council could be updated on current matters and developments.

6. Governance – (Clerk)

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 acknowledged the Financial Report

7.2 Budget – to consider the 2026/27 budget and agree

The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and acknowledged the Budget which was sent for 2026/27

7.3 Reserves – to confirm and agree on the Policy and confirm the Reserves for 2026/27

The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** to acknowledge the Reserves for 2026/27. The Clerk asked whether the remaining £600.00 from last year's budget could be transferred back into the reserves to help build this up.

The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** agreed that £600 should be transferred into the savings account and allocated to Play Equipment.

7.4 Statement of Accounts – to consider and approve the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2026

The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** to acknowledge the Statement of Accounts, and this was signed of by the Chair and Clerk.

- 7.5 **Internal Audit** – to receive and review the report from the Internal Auditor
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and acknowledge the Internal Audit
- 7.6 **AGAR signature Redaction** – to consider redaction of the signatures on the web version of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return to protect the signatories from ‘Specific and identifiable threats’ of identity theft and GDPR concerns.
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and confirmed that they would be happy for the Signature to be redacted from the end of year accounts.
- 7.7 **External Audit** – to consider the 2025/26 AGAR for submission to the External Auditor
 - 7.7a **Annual Governance Statement** – to consider and agree on the accounting statement figures
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and agreed the AGAR forms for the end of year accounts
 - 7.7b **Electors’ Rights** – to consider and approve the dates
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and agreed the Elector’s Rights dates
 - 7.7c **Statement of Variance** – to consider the draft Statement of Variance
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and agreed to the draft Statement of Variance
- 7.8 **Annual Subscriptions and Regular Payments** – to consider and agree on the list
OALC, SLCC, Oxfordshire First
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and agreed to the annual subscription that would be used for 2026-2027
- 7.9 **Bank Signatories** – to review and agree on the bank signatories
The Council unanimously **RESOLVED** and agreed to Cllr Nigel Simpson, Cllr Fin MacEwan and Cllr Sam Dawson to be signatories to the Lloyds Bank account

8. To Receive a Report on Parish Matters

- 8.1 **Canal and River Trust** – no further update to be reported
- 8.2 **Flooding** – update from Cllr Simpson
There was little else to report, apart from the fact that OCC are now undertaking gully cleaning throughout the County. However, a question was raised as to whether the associated pipework is also being cleared, as blockages may have developed over the years due to the lack of maintenance of the gullies.
It was suggested that, while the current weather remains favourable, Councillors could undertake inspections of local watercourses to identify whether any further work is required on culverts, drains, and related infrastructure before the winter period returns.
- 8.3 **Weaveley Furze** – update from Cllr Duthie
There isn’t anything else to report since the last meeting, only that Cllr Duthie is now Trustee of Weaveley Furze.
- 8.4 **Airport** – update from Cllr Duthie
No further update since the last meeting
- 8.5 **Five Parishes** – update from Cllr Simpson
Next meeting will be at Kidlington Exeter Hall on 27 May 2026

9. Highways

- 9.1 **Speed Watch** – update from Cllr Bentall
Cllr Duthie and Cllr Bentall, and other volunteers have been out checking the speeds coming through 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:

New Planning Applications:

Applications Pending:

- 10.1 [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

The Councillors held a lengthy discussion regarding the planning application and the response that Cllr Dawson had prepared on behalf of the Parish Council for submission to the Planning Department.

All Councillors agreed with the draft document. Any further amendments required would be forwarded to Cllr Dawson, who would then finalise the response prior to submission.

Applications Decisions:

11. Important Correspondence received since the last meeting

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 13 July 2025 at Shipton Village Hall, from 7.00pm

Meeting Finished: 8.25pm

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