TEMPLE SOWERBY PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Naomi Callaghan, 4 Chapel Mews, Gaisgill, Penrith, CA10 3DN Email: clerk@templesowerbyvillage.co.uk

There was a meeting of the Parish Council on Monday 14th July 2025 at 7pm in the Victory Hall.

Meeting Minutes

Councillors:	Caryl Varty (Vice-Chair)
	Lisa Robinson
	Cliff Atkinson
	Andi Sambrook
Clerk:	Naomi Callaghan
Members of the Public:	7

16/25	Apologies					
	Kevin Over – reasons noted.					
17/25	Minutes					
	CV proposed to sign the minutes of the meetings held on Wednesday 14 th May 2025 as a					
	true and accurate record; seconded by LR. Agreed.					
18/25	Declaration of Interest/Requests for Dispensations					
	None. CV requested that the wording for this be amended for clarity; NC to action.					
19/25	Public Participation					
	Play area – parish resident, Hannah Cleasby, would like to arrange a group to improve the					
	equipment in the play area. Would a PC member be willing to join the group? CA happy to					
	meet with the group and report back to the PC.					
20/25	Local Councillor Report – Cllr Lorna Baker					
1111111	Cllr Baker not present at the meeting.					
21/25	Planning Matters					
	21/25/1. Cllrs discussed ongoing construction at 'The Works'; the site is a mess, NC to send					
	a letter to the owners requesting that they clear away any mess on the village green.					
	21/25/2. Cllrs noted decisions to any existing applications.					
	Application	Location	Description	Comments	Decision	
	Number					
	22/0537	The Works,	Erection of a dwelling	Objection	Pending	
		Chapel Street,	(resubmission of	Submitted		
		Temple	application 22/0026)			
		Sowerby				

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22/0331	Briar Croft,	Outline application for	No	Pending
	Temple	single dwelling and	objections,	
	Sowerby	detached garage, with	observations	n 10 1
		all matters reserved	submitted	11
2025/0791/FPA	Fairacre House,	Variation of condition 2	No	Approved
	Temple	(approved plans) for the	objections to	with
	Sowerby	addition of a window to	plans;	conditions.
		the side of the	comments	
		extension. Attached to	submitted.	
		approval		
		2024/2304/FPA		
2025/0693/FPA	Acorn Bank,	Removal of two weirs on	No	Pending
	Temple	Crowdundle Beck and	objections to	
	Sowerby	associated works.	plans;	
			comments	
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2025/0694/FPA	Acorn Bank,	Listed building consent	No	Pending
	Temple	for removal of two weirs	objections to	
	Sowerby	on Crowdundle Beck	plans;	
		and associated works.	comments	
			submitted.	

21/25/3. Cllrs noted correspondence received re: application 2025/0791/FPA and noted that PC correspondence on the application has been sent via post to Mr Hoyle as requested. CV gave feedback to the PC that she had spoken to Mr Hoyle who had received the information.

22/25 Parish Houses & Land

22/25/1. CA gave the PC an update on 1CFV missing roof slate; issue ongoing. **22/25/2.** CA reported that the plumbing issue at 3CVF is no resolved.

23/25 Village Greens

23/25/1. Cllrs discussed the completed tree report and the works advised. CV proposed to go ahead with the proposed work and contact Evolve to see what time of year they recommend for the work to be completed, seconded by LR. Agreed. NC to action. 23/25/2. Cllrs discussed grass cutting contract with Countrywide Maintenance Ltd. and noted that to date only 3 cuts had been completed. CV proposed to contact Countrywide re: invoices received and to agree to pay for the 3 cuts that have been done, seconded by AS. Agreed. NC to contact Phil Rogers. Cllrs also requested that a letter be sent to James Calllow to thank him for cutting some of the village green, NC to action. 23/25/3. Cllrs discussed potential tender for cutting contract from village resident Remy Beasley. AS noted, that tenders are usually done in November; Remy Beasley to be contacted again at that time. CA proposed that the PC investigate purchasing a lawnmower for volunteers to use to cut the greens; seconded by LR who suggested speaking to Pigney's regarding the purchase of a lawnmower. Agreed. NC to investigate any training that might be required for operation, insurance needed and running costs for the PC of a lawnmower. 23/25/4. Cllrs noted that the Maypole base needs to be rebuilt. KO and CA are happy to arrange this between themselves.

23/25/5. Cllrs noted that dog fouling has increased on the greens; NC to look into purchasing some signs.

23/25/6. LR reported that the repair to the fence by the old phone box has been further delayed. LR proposed to remove the fence entirely as it is no longer needed; seconded by AS. Agreed. LR to investigate how the fence could be removed.

24/25 Play Area

24/25/1. Cllrs noted that one of the baby swings in the play area is damaged. CA proposed removing the swing to prevent any injuries while the PC look at a longer-term solution; seconded by LR. Agreed. CA to action.

24/25/2. CV proposed to approve the play area inspection due in August, seconded by LR. Agreed.

25/25 | Finance

25/25/1. Cllrs noted and authorised the following payments: except Countrywide which is to be disputed as minuted in 23/25/1.

Date	Payee	Budget Heading	Amount
15.07.25	Countrywide (May)	Village Green	£756.00
15.07.25	Countrywide (June)	Village Green	£756.00
15.07.25	Victory Hall	Hall Hire	£20.00
15.07.25	CALC (Annual Subscription)	Misc expenses	£211.79
15.07.25	N. Callaghan	Clerks Expenses	£65.80
		(May-July)	1
15.07.25	Caroline Fancott-Beynon	Website	£7.39
15.07.25	Rachel Rigg	Website	£20.00
22.07.25	ICO (Date protection fee)	Misc expenses	£52.00
28.07.25	N. Callaghan	Clerk's Salary	£470.13
		(July)	

25/25/2. To note the balances of all Parish Council Accounts as of 8th July:

Unity Bank Current Account: £12,679.58 HSBC Money Manager Account: £5,038.12 PBS Parish Houses Account: £28,665.90 PBS Maypole Account: £1,261.48

25/25/3. Cllrs discussed moving the HSBC Money Manager Account to a Unity Savings Account, proposed by CV, seconded by LR. Agreed. NC to action.

26/25 Policies for Review

26/25/1. Standing Orders – AS proposed to approve for 25/26, seconded by CV. Agreed.

26/25/2. Code of Conduct – AS proposed to approve for 25/26, seconded by CV. Agreed.

26/25/3. Equality and Diversity Policy – AS proposed to approve for 25/26, seconded by CV. Agreed.

26/25/4. Complaints Procedure – AS proposed to adopt, seconded by CV. Agreed.

26/25/5. Asset Register – to discuss if an external review of the register is required.

26/25/6. Annual Risk Register – Cllrs noted the updated to include online banking; to approve changes for 25/26.

26/25/7. Cllrs noted that the TSPC Financial Regulations also needs to be reviewed; NC to circulate to Cllrs before next meeting.

27/25 | Telephone Box

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	27/25/1. CV propsed to sign contract confirming the purchase of the telephone box; seconded by AS. Agreed.
	27/25/2. AS proposed approaching the village book club to ask if they would like to use it for a book swap library; seconded by CV. Agreed. AS to action.
28/25	Cobblestone repairs outside Kings Arms
20, 20	Cllrs discussed quote received for repairs to the cobblestones outside the Kings Arms. CV proposed that the recommendations from W&F planning be circulated to Cllrs again for review and that the Kings Arms be forwarded the advice received by the PC; seconded by CA. Agreed.
29/25	Website
	CV proposed to approve that Rachel Rigg to tidy up the website as various things have gone out of sync; quote for work is £20 per hour; maximum of 2 hours needed. Seconded by LR. Agreed.
30/25	Correspondence
	Invoice received from CA for work done to the goalposts for £85.00.
31/25	Date of next meetings
	Cllrs noted the date of the next meetings:
	Monday 8 th September 2025
	Monday 10 th November 2025

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