

Threapwood Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting held on 28th January 2026
at 7.30 pm in Chorlton WI Hall

Item	Present Cllr Hugo Bourne, Cllr David Cheshire, Cllr Steve Chewins. Cllr Stephen Croasdale (Chairman), Cllr Miles Lewis, Cllr Louise Rees. Clerk Ruth Shackleton. No members of the public attended.																																
1.	Apologies None received.																																
2.	Declaration of Interests There were no interests declared.																																
3.	Public Participation There was no consideration of this item.																																
4.	Minutes Approval Resolved:- The Council agreed to accept the minutes for the parish council meeting held on 26 th November 2025. Proposed by Cllr Lewis and seconded by Cllr Croasdale.																																
5.	Planning 5.1 <u>Register:-</u> This was previously circulated. 5.2 <u>The Queens Head, Sarn Road, Threapwood:-</u> Cllr Croasdale updated the meeting further to a conversation he has with the owner regarding the proposed internal layout and that the owner is due to restart work in the spring at the Queens Head. The Council agreed to invite the owner to a meeting to discuss the proposed alterations and then to hold a public meeting to share the information regarding the plans. The Council is to consider applying for the ACV which runs out in June 2026.																																
6.	Casual Vacancy CWaC has advised that the Council can co-opt to fill the casual vacancy; a notice has been posted on the website and noticeboard.																																
7.	Accounts and Payments 7.1 <u>Accounts:-</u> The Council noted the accounts as circulated 7.2 <u>Payments:-</u> The Council considered the following payments:- <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 10%;">Chq No</th> <th style="width: 30%;">Payee</th> <th style="width: 50%;">Details</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Amount</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>485</td> <td>R Shackleton</td> <td>Clerk's Salary (Jan)</td> <td>£196.05</td> </tr> <tr> <td>486</td> <td>R Shackleton</td> <td>Clerk's Salary (Feb)</td> <td>£196.05</td> </tr> <tr> <td>487</td> <td>HMRC (Jan - Mar)</td> <td>PAYE</td> <td>£147.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>488</td> <td>R Shackleton</td> <td>Clerk's Running Costs</td> <td>£ 23.65</td> </tr> <tr> <td>489</td> <td>Chorlton Hall</td> <td>Rent Nov and Jan</td> <td>£ 60.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>490</td> <td>D Paton</td> <td>History club website</td> <td>£ 19.32</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DD</td> <td>The Accounts Centre</td> <td>Payroll</td> <td>£ 12.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <u>Receipts:-</u> None received. <u>Bank Account:-</u> Reconciled balance of the Current Bank Account as at 1 st January 2026:- £4,507.06	Chq No	Payee	Details	Amount	485	R Shackleton	Clerk's Salary (Jan)	£196.05	486	R Shackleton	Clerk's Salary (Feb)	£196.05	487	HMRC (Jan - Mar)	PAYE	£147.00	488	R Shackleton	Clerk's Running Costs	£ 23.65	489	Chorlton Hall	Rent Nov and Jan	£ 60.00	490	D Paton	History club website	£ 19.32	DD	The Accounts Centre	Payroll	£ 12.00
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	<p>Reconciled balance of the Deposit Bank Account as at 1st January 2026:- £1,960.03 Resolved:- The Council agreed to the following:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To approve the above payments; - To accept the accounts as previously circulated; <p>Proposed by Cllr Rees and seconded by Cllr Lewis.</p>
8.	<p>Budget 2026 – 2027 The Council considered the budget for 2026 – 2027. Resolved:- The Council agreed to approve the attached budget for 2026 – 2027. Proposed by Cllr Lewis and seconded by Cllr Croasdale.</p>
9.	<p>Precept To set the precept for the 2026 – 2027 financial year Resolved:- The Council agreed to set the 2026 – 2027 precept at £5,460.00 (this represents an annual increase of 4%). Proposed by Cllr Lewis and seconded by Cllr Croasdale.</p>
10.	<p>Highways</p> <p>10.1 <u>Speedwatch:-</u> No Speedwatch sessions have taken place since the last meeting. The Council is to make enquiries to see whether a resident would be prepared to volunteer to co-ordinate future sessions.</p> <p>10.2 <u>Damaged Fingerpost Sign:-</u> The Clerk has contacted CWaC to request that the original sign be repaired and reinstated. CWaC is in the process of obtaining quotes for insurance purposes.</p> <p>10.3 <u>Roads:-</u> The Clerk is to report to Highways that the road requires attention on Glandeg Road as it is deteriorating.</p>
11.	<p>Footpaths It was reported that most of the footpaths within the parish are in a good state.</p>
12.	<p>Police The next Police Cluster meeting is on Tuesday 24th February 2026; Cllrs are invited to submit any concerns to be raised at the meeting.</p>
13.	<p>Village Appearance The Clerk has contacted Highways regarding entrance gates, they have advised that they have no provisional objection providing they are installed at a change of character i.e. at a speed limit change or village boundary. The proposed location is to be sent to Highways for consideration.</p>
14.	<p>Clerk's Report There was no consideration of this item.</p>
15.	<p>Correspondence The list was previously circulated.</p>
16.	<p>Date of next Meeting The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 25th March 2026.</p>
	<p>PART 2</p>
1.	<p>Press and Public To resolve to exclude the press and members of the public as the items to be discussed are either of a contractual or sensitive nature or relate to employment matters</p>