

Title	Public Spaces
Author	Clerk to the Council
Meeting	Woodcote Parish Council Meeting – 15 th January 2025

6.1. To approve spreading wood chippings at the entrances to the village green, as indicated. If possible, to request free chippings which are often advertise on social media, else approve maximum budget for purchase of some chippings.

6.2. To approve seeking volunteers to help spread the chippings, delegate to the Clerk creation of appropriate risk assessment and purchase of light refreshments for the volunteers as a thank you.



Title	Greenmoor Ponds Ownership
Author	Clerk to the Council
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- 7.1. To note the historic Greenmoor Ponds ownership documentation
- 7.2. To formally approve that this Council is the owner of the Ponds and consider registering this with Land Registry as already approved for the pond on the corner of Reading Road / Greenmore.

The Council was advised in 2023 that the Council was merely the custodian of the Ponds, as there was no entry on HM Land Registry of the ownership. The documents shown below detail that the Council is in fact the OWNER of the ponds, and the area highlighted by the map.

Considering the previous decision to register with land registry, with similar evidence, the ownership of the pond & land on the corner of Reading Road / Greenmore, to consider registering the Greenmoor ponds and land. Whilst the previous decision not to register the land was based on there being a long waiting list at Land Registry for registrations, and the green documentation already existing, I propose the Council approves to register the land, so as to prevent the need for this investigation again, and for it to be recorded definitively and the land registry reference can be recorded on our asset register.

C.R.
Form 2

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

29/1/77

Note: This section contains the registration of the land comprised in this register unit.

Registration authority
OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Register unit No. CL. FIFTEEN

Edition No. SU 68 SW

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WOODCOTE PC.

Register of
COMMON LAND

LAND SECTION—Sheet No. One

No. and date of entry	Description of the land, reference to the register map, registration particulars, etc.
1 19 May '67	The tract of about 1.655 acres called The Ponds, Greenmore in the parish of Woodcote as marked with a green verged line inside the boundary on Sheet SU 68 SW of the register map and distinguished by the number of this register unit. Registered pursuant to Application No. 28 made the 29th April, 1967 by the Woodcote Parish Council. (Registration Provisional)
2 1st. July 71	The registration at entry No. 1. above, being undisputed, became FINAL on 1st. October, 1970.

C.R.
Form 4

COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Note: This section contains the registration of every person registered under the Act as owner of any of the land described in the land section of this register unit. It does not contain any registration in respect of land of which the freehold is registered under the Land Registration Acts 1925 and 1936, but the absence from this section of a registration in respect of any land described in the land section does not necessarily indicate that the freehold of that land is registered under those Acts.

Registration authority
OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Register unit No. CL. 15

Edition No.

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Register of
COMMON LAND

OWNERSHIP SECTION—Sheet No. ONE.

1 No. and date of entry	2 No. and date of application	3 Name and Address of person registered as owner	4 Particulars of the land to which the registration applies
26th. Feb 1974		The Woodcote Parish Council, Woodcote. (Direction by Commons Commissioner dated 21st. February 1974 under Section 8(2) of the Commons Registration Act, 1965.	The land comprised in this register unit.



COMMONS REGISTRATION ACT 1965

Reference No.29/U/7

In the Matter of The Ponds,
Greenmore, Woodcote, Oxfordshire.

DECISION

This reference relates to the question of the ownership of land known as The Ponds, Greenmore, Woodcote, being the land comprised in the Land Section of Register Unit No.C.L.15 in the Register of Common Land maintained by the Oxfordshire County Council of which no person is registered under section 4 of the Commons Registration Act 1965 as the owner.

Following upon the public notice of this reference no person claimed to be the freehold owner of the land in question and no one claimed to have information as to its ownership.

I held a hearing for the purpose of inquiring into the question of the ownership of the land at Oxford on 21st November 1973.

At the hearing the Woodcote Parish Council was represented by its Clerk, Miss J. Goodway.

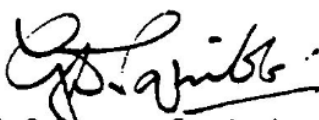
The land the subject of the reference was set out and appointed as a public pond and watering place by the Inclosure Award dated 28th June 1853, made under the Acts for the Inclosure, Exchange, and Improvement of Land, where it is numbered 166 and described on the annexed map as "Sheep Wash Ponds".

Since 1965 the Parish Council has been receiving a wayleave rent of 40p a year from the Southern Electricity Board for a line across the land in question. There was an earlier wayleave at a lower rent granted by the Parish Council about 1960. More recently the Parish Council has taken charge of the land, clearing the undergrowth and trimming the hedges.

This evidence is minimal, but in the absence of any other claimant to a better title I am satisfied that the Parish Council is the owner of the land, and I shall accordingly direct the Oxfordshire County Council, as registration authority, to register the Woodcote Parish Council as the owner of the land under section 8(2) of the Act of 1965.

I am required by regulation 30(1) of the Commons Commissioners Regulations 1971 to explain that a person aggrieved by this decision as being erroneous in point of law may, within 6 weeks from the date on which notice of the decision is sent to him, require me to state a case for the decision of the High Court.

Dated this 19th day of December 1973


 Chief Commons Commissioner



Title	Finance 2024-2025
Author	Clerk to the Council
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9.1. To approve the finalised payments list for December & approve payments for January 2025.

Voucher No	Date	Net	VAT	Total	Description	Supplier
152	30/01/2025	£ 61.85	£ 12.37	£ 74.22	Telephone & broadband	British Telecom (BT)
151	16/01/2025	£ 532.98	£ 106.60	£ 639.58	Waste collection	Shield Maintenance Ltd
157	16/01/2025	£ 5.00	£ 1.00	£ 6.00	Mobile Phone SIM Costs	GiffGaff Ltd
158	16/01/2025	£ 10.30	£ 2.06	£ 12.36	MS356 Subscription	Microsoft Limited
149	10/01/2025	£ 600.00	£ -	£ 600.00	Village Hall Staff Grant	Woodcote Village Hall Trustees
		£ 2,193.57	£ -	£ 2,193.57	Total Staff Costs inc PAYE Deductions paid in Feb	
		£ 3,403.70	£ 122.03	£ 3,525.73	Total January	
143	30/12/2024	£ 61.85	£ 12.37	£ 74.22	Telephone & broadband	British Telecom (BT)
150	23/12/2024	£ 43.88	£ -	£ 43.88	Meeting Room Hire	Woodcote Village Hall Trustees
145	17/12/2024	£ 121.95	£ 24.39	£ 146.34	Defibrillator Sundries	Community Heartbeat Trust
146	17/12/2024	£ 997.73	£ 199.55	£ 1,197.28	Flat Roof	West Waddy Archadia (WWA)
147	17/12/2024	£ 384.20	£ 76.84	£ 461.04	Waste collection	Glasdon UK Ltd
144	12/12/2024	£ 305.00	£ 61.00	£ 366.00	Flat Roof	AKS Ward Ltd
148	10/12/2024	£ 600.00	£ -	£ 600.00	Village Hall Staff Grant	Woodcote Village Hall Trustees
136	05/12/2024	£ 570.00	£ 114.00	£ 684.00	Speed Surveys	Oxfordshire County Council
137	05/12/2024	£ 5.00	£ 1.00	£ 6.00	Mobile Phone SIM Costs	GiffGaff Ltd
138	05/12/2024	£ 266.49	£ 53.30	£ 319.79	Waste collection	Shield Maintenance Ltd
139	05/12/2024	£ 1,000.00	£ -	£ 1,000.00	Grant	Woodcote Community Centre
140	05/12/2024	£ 340.00	£ -	£ 340.00	Grant	Woodcote Conservation Group
141	05/12/2024	£ 1,515.00	£ -	£ 1,515.00	Grant	Woodcote Village Hall Trustees
142	05/12/2024	£ 4,500.00	£ -	£ 4,500.00	Grant	Woodcote Village Hall Trustees
		£ 2,161.06	£ -	£ 2,161.06	Total Staff Costs	
		£ 12,872.16	£ 542.45	£ 13,414.61	Total December	

9.2. To note receipts for December 2024

£381.10, received in to the savings account – interest on Savings, no VAT.

9.3. To note the reconciled bank balances to 31st December 2024.

A	Bank Reconciliation at 31/12/2024		
	Cash in Hand 01/04/2024		380,481.22
	ADD Receipts 01/04/2024 - 31/12/2024		262,644.91
	SUBTRACT Payments 01/04/2024 - 31/12/2024		643,126.13 117,680.25
	Cash in Hand 31/12/2024 (per Cash Book)		525,445.88
B	Cash in hand per Bank Statements		
	Petty Cash 31/12/2024	0.00	
	Lloyds Current 31/12/2024	28,277.93	
	Lloyds BB Instant Deposit Account 31/12/2024	497,167.95	
	Public Sector Deposit 31/12/2024	0.00	
			525,445.88
	Less unrepresented payments		
			525,445.88
	Plus unrepresented receipts		
B	Adjusted Bank Balance		525,445.88
	A = B Checks out OK		

Current Account: £28,277.93

Savings Account: £497,167.95