

Parish Wayleave Payments

Wayleave agreements give utilities companies permission to install and maintain their apparatus on privately owned land or some types of buildings, such as apartment blocks. A written legal agreement is entered into between the utility company and the land or property owner. It gives them permission to install, maintain or repair the network equipment that's on land owner's property and often results in a fee being paid to the land owner.

Drinkstone Parish Council as landowner has a number of these wayleave agreements with utilities companies which have been entered into over the years, mainly relating to access to telegraph poles on Parish Land which is used for allotments. The agreements result in a small annual yield of approximately £150.

These wayleave payments have on occasion been paid to Drinkstone Green Allotments, the Allotments Trust and have provided a small additional income over and above the allotment rents, which has been used to carry out maintenance to fencing, water pipes etc.

Recommendation:

That the Parish Council disburse funds generated from existing annual wayleave agreements relating to Parish Lands used for allotments to the Drinkstone Green Allotments Trust to support maintenance and upkeep of boundaries and the water supply.