

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council held on Tuesday 14th November 2017 at 7.30pm Meeting in Piddington Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Mr S Digby, Mr A Hackett, Mrs J Galliven, Mrs J Roy.

Clerk – Mrs H Glasgow.

Members of the public: 3

Members questions

A Parishioner raised concerns about the footpath on Princes Street. Tree roots are appearing, and the path is corroding. Cllr Digby advised that TFB had already made a site visit and didn't think any immediate action needed to be taken.

A Parishioner raised concerns about the proposal of chickens being kept at the allotments. Council confirmed this was an agenda item and would be discussed later in the meeting.

223.1 Attendance and acceptance of apologies for absence.

Apologies were accepted from: Parish Councillors Mrs J. Redfern. Mrs S Storey, Mrs W Pitcher. District Councillors Mr I. McEnnis & Mrs J. Teesdale. County Councillor Mr D. Hayday.

223.2 Declaration of disclosable pecuniary interests relating to items on the Agenda.

Cllr Hackett declared an interest in the agenda item relating to allotments.

223.3 Minutes - To confirm and sign the Minutes of the October Meeting.

Council approved the minutes. The Chairman signed the minutes.

223.4 Clerks Report and Correspondence.

Correspondence Received

- Training Courses
- Information on the New Local Plan
- Chiltern Society e news
- Community Impact Bucks

Clerks report

- i. AED checks have been carried out and on-line forms submitted.
- ii. No allotment plots currently vacant.
- iii. Monday 16th October – A Parishioner reported he could not get through a vehicle through on Kings Street due to poor parking. This happened on 2 occasions.
- iv. Andrew J Hawes confirmed they would be happy to carry out the works on Chipps Hill and hold last year's price. £1100 plus vat.
- v. The split cherry tree at double ditches has been made safe.
- vi. There is a vast amount of ivy growing around some of the trees on the A40. This was reported to TFB.
- vii. Cllr Storey reported that the commemorative oak tree on the green is suffering a little. It still has the wire protection around it. I have asked James Glasgow to remove this

223.5 Finance – i) Approval of the invoices submitted for payment in November 2017.

Income and Expenditure November 2017

Cheque no	Expenditure	Subtotal	VAT	Total
1728	Mrs H Glasgow - Clerks Salary October	£ 242.42	£ -	£ 242.42
1729	BCC pension for Mrs Glasgow Oct	£ 96.20	£ -	£ 96.20
1730	HMRC Oct	£ 60.60	£ -	£ 60.60

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1731	Mrs H Glasgow - Clerks expenses	£	19.75	£	3.45	£	23.20
1732	TBS Hygiene Ltd - Sept	£	27.00	£	5.40	£	32.40
1733	TBS Hygiene Ltd - Oct	£	21.60	£	4.32	£	25.92
1734	Peter Gomme - 2 x cuts of playing fields	£	480.00	£	-	£	480.00
1735	Chiltern Society	£	304.92	£	-	£	304.92
	Total Expenditure	£	1,252.49	£	13.17	£	1,265.66

Total Income £ -

Statement of Account

Opening balance - 02/10/17 £ 27,624.93

Less approved expenditure £ 720.46

Income £ -

Total as at 08/11/17 £ 26,904.47

Unpresented cheques - 1696 BCC Pension £ 83.64

Council approved the expenditure.

ii) To consider a donation to The Chiltern Conservation Board.

Council agreed a donation of £50.00 to the Chiltern Conservation Board.

iii) To agree to pay for two poppy wreaths at a total cost of £50 under S137 expenditure

Council were disappointed that the poppy wreaths were not delivered, and therefore will not be paid for.. The Clerk will send a letter to RBL.

223.6 To consider an amendment to the allotment tenancy agreement to allow chickens/hens to be kept at the allotments.

The Clerk reported that Section 12 of the Allotments Act 1950 stated that an allotment tenant has the right to keep chickens at the allotments.

Council approved that chickens would be allowed to be kept at the allotments. The Clerk will update the tenancy agreement to include the following wording and re-issue to all allotment tenants.

'Provided the Allotment plot is occupied mainly for cultivation, it may in a small part be used for the keeping of hens (but not cockerels) provided they are not kept by way of trade or business and also provided they are not kept in such a place or in such a manner as to be prejudicial to health or to be a nuisance. Plans and details of construction of any building must be submitted and approved by the Council before any animal is brought to the site. A maximum of 4 hens may be kept per allotment plot'.

223.7 Planning Applications

Planning application Reference - 17/07685/FUL

Huckenden Farm, Cadmore End Common Road, Wheeler End

APPLICATION FOR: Householder application for construction of garden shed on a timber deck (part retrospective)

No objections.

223.8 Members Questions and Statements.

Cllr Galliven reported that the Wheeler End Common Residents Association had some residual funds wanted to purchase a defibrillator to be kept near the Montessori nursery. They asked for a donation towards the outer case. As the location is outside the Parish boundary Council would not consider a donation towards this.

Cllr Digby reported that the most planning reference 17/06793/PNP16A was never a full planning application and only a prior notification. He was surprised to learn that this had skipped the process of being a full planning

application and been given the go ahead. The Clerk will find out why this was the process.
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The Clerk will advise Council of the Best Kept Village points system.

It was reported that Dashwood Hill up from Ham Farm remains overgrown.

It was reported that bin collections have not be frequent.

Council were sorry to learn that Sylvia Storey has been unwell and therefore has resigned from Council. Councillors wish Sylvia a speedy recovery. The Clerk will arrange for a bouquet of flowers to be delivered to Sylvia. Councillors will personally contribute towards this.

The Clerk will put the Councillor Vacancy on the next agenda and applications will be invited.

223.9 Date of next meeting – **Tuesday 12th December 2017 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall.**

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.12pm

Signature..... Date.....