

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council held on
Tuesday 9th July 2019 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall**

Present: Cllrs Mr Simon Digby – Chairman, Mr N. Cloke, Mr A Hackett and Mrs J Roy.

County Councillor Darren Hayday.

Clerk – Mrs H Glasgow.

Apologies were accepted from: District Councillor Ian McEnnis.

Members of the public: 3

Members questions

A Parishioner raised concerns about parking on Kings Street. Council stated that if vehicles are blocking driveways or other vehicles it is suggested that the police are contacted.

It was reported that the hedges on the footpath on the A40 are overgrown. The Clerk will report this.

A Parishioner raised concerns about the bag of sand near the gate at the playing fields. Cllr Stevens will move this at the weekend.

A Parishioner raised concerns that at the previous meeting they asked if Council would consider installing some bollards on a verge/bend. Council had considered this, however, it was thought the project would be extremely costly and it was likely that when lorries turned on the bend they would knock into a bollard, damaging the bollard and their vehicle. The Chairman reported that as Council had taken the decision not to go ahead with the project this could not be reviewed for at least 6 months to comply with the standing orders. The Parishioner asked that it was minuted that she was extremely disappointed with Councils decision.

A Parishioner raised concerns that there are no descriptions of what the payments are made for listed under finances. The Clerk will list the descriptions underneath the amounts and include these in future minutes.

Cllr Hayday reported that TFB cut down the branches so that the road sign can now be seen.

It was reported that the sign for Wheeler End going towards the ex-Brickmakers Arms cannot be seen because of the growth of ferns. Cllr Digby will cut the ferns back.

Update on the growth on the A40 of Dashwood Hill. Cllr Hayday reported that nothing much will happen at the moment due to TFB finances. TFB are encouraging people to walk up Old Dashwood Hill.

Council reported that where the Old Dashwood Hill joins the A40 there is about a 250-meter walk that is extremely overgrown (Ham Farm to the junction of Dashwood Hill). Cllr Hayday will speak to the LAT regarding this.

243.1 Attendance and acceptance of apologies for absence.

Councillors Mrs W. Pitcher, Mr A. Stevens.

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

Cllr Hackett declared an interest in planning application – Conifers.

243.3 Minutes - i. To confirm and sign the Minutes of the June Meeting.

Council confirmed the minutes to be a true and accurate record. The Chairman signed the minutes..

243.3 Clerks Report and Correspondence.

Correspondence Received

- i. The Rural Bulletin – June 2019
- ii. My Bucks June 2019
- iii. Parishioner correspondence re the gate to access the field on Princes Street.
- iv. Correspondence received from Karen Satterford, Chief Executive WDC:
- v. Correspondence received from BCC: “Local people are being asked for their views on Buckinghamshire’s highways and transport services”.

Clerks Report

- i. Councillors Roy, Cloke and Stevens to be added to the bank mandate for cheque signatories.
- ii. I have chased TFB re when the salt bin on Wheeler End Common.
- iii. The Insurance Company confirmed they have received the cheque and the insurance is now in place.
- iv. No allotment plots vacant.
- v. Any member of the public can report a problem to TFB on the website fix my street – www.fixmystreet.com
- vi. The AED Checks have been carried out.

243.4 Finance – i) Approval of the invoices submitted in June 2019.

Cheque no	Expenditure	Subtotal	VAT	Total
1893	Mrs H Glasgow Clerks salary June	£ 267.14	£ -	£ 267.14
1894	BCC pension for Mrs Glasgow June Pension contribution	£ 108.14	£ -	£ 108.14
1895	HMRC June Tax / NI contribution	£ 66.80	£ -	£ 66.80
1896	Mrs H Glasgow - Clerks expenses Stationary / Fuel	£ 32.40	£ 2.50	£ 34.90
1897	AED Locator (E.U.) Ltd Annual defibrillator monitoring	£ 49.00	£ 9.80	£ 58.80
1898	mh-p internet ltd Website upload	£ 15.00	£ 3.00	£ 18.00
1899	Bucks Playing Fields Association Subscription	£ 20.00	£ -	£ 20.00
1900	War Memorial Trust Subscription	£ 30.00	£ -	£ 30.00
1901	Buckland Landscapes ltd Grass cutting June	£ 365.83	£ 73.17	£ 439.00
1902	Tom Willett Donation to the Wheeler End Annual Summer Party	£ 100.00	£ -	£ 100.00
	Total Expenditure	£ 1,054.31	£ 88.47	£ 1,142.78
Income		£ -	£ -	£ -
	Statement of Account			
	Opening balance - 29/05/19	£ 34,784.19		
	Less approved expenditure	£ 4,833.02		
	Less direct debit ICO annual subscription	£ -		
	Income	£ -		
	Total as at 02/07/19	£ 29,951.17		
	Unpresented cheques	£ 158.05	BCC Pensions1881	
		£ 142.21	LEPC 1888	
	Total	£ 300.26		

ii) Parish expenditure ideas for 2019/20.

Cllr Roy reported that she has been in contact with Elizabeth Stillman re the planting of the bulbs.

Cllr Roy continues to work on a quote for the bench.

Cllr Cloke reported that the saplings will be put in this Autumn. The saplings will follow the line of the trees.

iii) Quotation for the removal of debris / cutting of growth – Piddington Green

Buckland Landscapes quoted £550 plus VAT to remove all dead wood and limbs that have fallen from the trees on

the grass verge areas. All epicormic growth situated around the base of each large tree along the grass verge area will be removed and cut down as close as possible to ground level. All rubbish and waste will be processed through a woodchipper and removed from site upon completion.

Council approved this quotation.

243.5 Update re the advertisement of the Parish Councillor vacancy.

Council has received one CV and two possible interested parties. Applications to be received by 10th September Cllrs Cloke and Digby will interview by end of September.

243.6 To discuss the phone box – Old Oxford Road.

The Parish Council at the October 2016 meeting minutes that they did not wish for the phone box to be removed in case of bad mobile phone signal in the village.

It is thought that this may now not be the case as phone signals have got better of the last few years. The Clerk will ask members of the Facebook Piddington page if they would like to see the phonebox removed and report back at a future meeting.

243.7 To review the Parish Councils Standing Orders.

Council agreed and adopted the Standing Orders.

243.8 To review the Parish Councils Financial Regulations.

Council agreed and adopted the Financial Regulations.

243.9 To appoint an Internal Auditor for 2019/20.

The Parish Council must appoint an internal auditor. Lucy Stupples would be happy to undertake the 2019/20 Internal Audit. The fee would be £100.

Council approved the appointment of Lucy Stupples.

243.10 Planning Applications – Planning Ref 19/06348/FUL – Conifers, Old Oxford Road, Piddington. Application for construction of front porch and first floor rear extension.

No objection.

243.11 Members Questions and Statements.

None.

243.12 Date of next meeting – **Tuesday 10th September 2019 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall.**

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.22pm

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

