

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council held on
Tuesday 10th March 2015 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall**

**Present: Cllrs Mr S. Digby, Mrs W. Pitcher, Mrs S. Storey, Ms J Redfern,
Clerk – Mrs S. Henson, Mrs H. Glasgow
District Cllr Mrs Jean Teesdale, Dist Cllr Mr I McEnnis, County Cllr Mr D Hayday**

Apologies were accepted from: Cllrs Mr A. Hackett, Mrs J. Galliven

Members of the public: 4

195.1 Declaration of any personal or prejudicial interests relating to items on the Agenda
None declared

195.2 To Confirm and Sign the Minutes of the February Parish Council Meeting.
The Minutes of the above meeting were agreed by those present and signed by the Chairman.

195.3 Clerks Report and Correspondence
A list of correspondence had been issued to Councillors and copies of relevant items were given to them prior to the meeting.

Correspondence Received from 11th February – 10th March 2015

1. Buckinghamshire Replacement Minerals and Waste Local Plan, open for comments 19/02/15 to 02/04/15.
2. Decisions on the release of CIL and S106 funding for Financial Year 2015
3. BCC Devolution Newsletters – forwarded to Councillors
4. Parish Council Nomination Papers – forwarded to Councillors.
5. Email confirming WDC will be devolving grass cutting for Wheeler End Common to the Parish Council.
6. Chilterns Conservation Board newsletter – forwarded to Councillors
7. Chiltern Society magazine
8. BCC Devolution Agreement for agreement and signature
9. Letter from WDC returning our planning application for a Notice board and confirming that planning permission is no longer required – the order for the Notice board can be made.
10. WDC Draft agreement with WDC for devolved services
11. Mazars external audit papers – we have not been selected for an in depth audit
12. Thank you letter from Piddington & District Village Hall Association for the donation
13. WDALC agenda – 26th March
14. WDC Notification that no appeal was made by The Dashwood Arms and that the porta cabin has to be removed; the timber framework around the existing garage building to be removed; remove all resulting material from site – all this must be completed by 6 months from 5th March 2015.

Clerks Report

1. Peter Gomme has completed clearance work on the allotments and all three plots have been allocated. Clerk to obtain quote to cut down the two hazel shrubs. There is one person left on the waiting list.
2. Another contractor, the fourth one, has studied a way of dealing with the brambles on Chipps Hill and has said that it is too risky and a fifth contractor with different equipment suitable for steep slopes will carry out a site visit – no work can be undertaken now until September 2015
3. Deriaz Slater have been rung and told to remove the Commercial letting sign – they were asked late last year and failed to act – the Clerk has told them that we will remove it if they do not as it will interfere with grass cutting. It has been removed.
4. The picnic bench has been ordered and should be delivered by mid March.
5. Clerk has asked Madeleine Howe of Transport for Bucks Localities team for a parking survey to be carried out in Piddington however she has indicated that unless it is a request for double yellow lines on junctions and for legal safety reasons there is little chance that anything will be undertaken as a TRO is now costing in the region of £30,000 – this can be reduced by ensuring the TRO has many sites in other parishes/towns included and the

cost can be shared. Clerk has pointed out that surely residents parking on pavements and residents walking down the middle of the road would constitute a safety issue but obviously only the pavement parking would be a 'legal' issue. She issued a sample of a notice showing what other areas are doing to help with the problem – we would need to involve the NAG.

6. The Clerk has arranged a site visit with the LAT for the 12th March to look at pavements and roads in Piddington.
7. BCC has completed the footway by The Dashwood Arms
8. Because we have been with MHP-Internet for over 5 years we are entitled to a free revamp of our website .

195.4 PLANNING

Applications

15/05527/CTREE – Meadow House, Wheeler End – fell one silver birch - no objection

195.5 To appoint a temporary replacement play area inspector

Cllr Hackett has agreed to undertake the role.

195.6 To consider updating/refreshing the Parish Council website content and design free of charge and committing to MHP -Internet for a further 5 years

It was resolved to update the website and commit to MH-P Internet Ltd for a further 5 years.

195.7 To agree and sign the Bucks County Council Parish Devolution Agreement

After the agenda was issued Wycombe District Council also issued a draft contract for the Parish Council to take on the grass cutting of Wheeler End Common with £391 per annum being the budgeted figure being given to the Parish Council by Wycombe District Council to be implemented by 1st April 2015. We are a pilot trial. The draft agreement is all too encompassing and the Clerk will seek further clarification before a document is signed.

It was resolved to sign the BCC Devolved Services Agreement – Cllr Digby and the Clerk, Mrs Glasgow signed the document.

195.8 Election 2015

Councillors were advised that papers have to be handed in, in person, at WDC Offices from 30th March – 9th April.

195.9 To consider whether to enter Piddington in the Best Kept Village Competition

It was resolved to enter Piddington into the competition.

195.10 Approval of invoices submitted for payment in March;

Accounts to be paid in March 2015

Mrs S Henson – February and March salaries	487.95
BCC – pension - March	80.33
HMRC	122.00
Information Commissioner – Data Protection	35.00
Peter Gomme – clearing allotments	275.00
Glasdon – picnic bench	571.33
Criterion – Wayleave at Dashwood Arms	12.00
Bucks County Council – footway donation	3000.00
Mrs S Henson – expenses Jan – March	27.00
Stocksigns – replacement signs for play area	127.12
Total	4737.73

Statement of Account

Opening balance – 1 st February	12760.93
Less February cheques	1544.26
Total at the 1st March	11216.67

It was resolved to approve the accounts.

195.11 Members Questions and Statements

Cllr Digby had walked Piddington with a local resident and the following items were reported for action.

Water leak at the bottom of King Street – report to BCC

White lines all faded – report to BCC

Bus shelter bottom timbers rotting – obtain quote
Tree with broken branches on Piddington Green – report to BCC
Scottish and Southern Electric power outages and transformer – report to SSE
Fence around North's Estate – Clerk has already written to the North's Estate agent

195.12 Date of next meeting
Tuesday 14th April 2015 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.00pm

Cllr Digby made a presentation to Mrs Henson as it was her final meeting before her retirement as Clerk to the Council. Everyone was invited to stay for refreshments.

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

Public Question Time

Residents asked for an update on the double yellow line issue. The information regarding a TRO was passed on.