

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council held on Tuesday 14th May 2013 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall

**Present: Cllrs Mr S. Digby, Mr A Hackett, Mrs S. Storey, Mrs W. Pitcher, Ms J. Redfern, Mr F. Swainston Mrs S. Henson, Clerk
Dist Cllr Mr I. McEnnis, County & Dist Cllr Mrs J. Teesdale, County Cllr Mr D Hayday
Members of the public: 3**

Apologies: Cllr Mrs J. Galliven

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

177.2 To Confirm and Sign the Minutes of the April Parish Council Meeting
The Minutes of the 9th April meeting were agreed by those present and signed by the Chairman.

177.3 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.

Clerk's report

1. West Wycombe Estate is following up on the allotments at Wheeler End and the Clerk has asked if either of the people on our waiting list who live in Piddington Lane would be interested in taking one of them on. We have had one response so far saying they want to stay with Piddington.
2. Wheeler End did not meet the entry requirements for the Best Kept Village Competition. A new cheque was raised. Leaflets for Piddington will be issued during the week beginning 13th May. Judging takes place in June. The Parish Council are responsible for the appearance of the phone box, the post box, the Noticeboards, bus shelter, play area, allotments and Piddington Green. Councillors need to set a date for a working party to undertake this work and recruit local residents to help. The Village Hall Committee will need to look at the Village Hall and the area surrounding it.
3. The Clerk has spoken to the Conservation Officer at WDC re the War Memorial. Photos have been taken and submitted for their comments prior to obtaining quotes for any work needed.
4. Cllr Mrs Storey reported to the NAG that lorries are occasionally parking in the Old Oxford Road.
5. The Clerk has asked WDC to provide bolder and more obvious signage to deter horses on Wheeler End Common
6. The Clerk has obtained prices for the Diamond Jubilee plaques for the trees. It was agreed to place an order for the basic plaques at a cost of £173.87 incl VAT and to speak to E R Meakes for the creation of tall tree spikes.
7. H F Nixey and Son are supplying a price for repairing the rear fence on the play area. West Wycombe Estate has given permission for the work to be undertaken.
8. One tenant has given up their allotment – half has been reallocated to one person on the waiting list and we are currently waiting for a response from the other person approached.
9. Wycombe District Local Plan – meeting for Parish Councils on June 4th, 7pm at Longburrow Hall, Stokenchurch – Cllrs Hackett and Mrs Storey will attend.

Correspondence Received from 8th April – 14th May 2013

1. Internal auditors report
2. Bucks CC request for Community Resilience contacts.
3. ROSPA Inspection booking for Parish Play Area.
4. Matters Arising Newsletter from BALC –circulated via email
5. Hot Topics Newsletter from Bucks CC – circulated via email
6. LAF Local Priorities confirmation – circulated via email
7. Price for goal mouth repairs – area approx. 12ft x 12ft issued prior to the meeting.
8. Bucks CC encouraging parishes to be involved in Community Speedwatch.
9. WDC request for any changes to Councillors Declaration of Pecuniary Interests.
10. Bucks CC Rights of Way newsletter – circulated via email.
11. We have received a further £80 from the Leader of Wycombe District Council towards the goal posts.
12. War Memorials Bulletin magazine
13. Letter from South Central Ambulance asking the Parish Council to consider installing a defibrillator – June agenda.

177.4 PLANNING

Nothing to report. The Clerk has raised concerns about the fence which has been erected at the front of the BT building as it would seem to prevent parking as per the plan with the planning officer.

177.5 How do you see Piddington and Wheeler End in 20 years time – a discussion

The previous questionnaire issued in 2005 was given to Councillors to consider using as a basis for a new questionnaire. June agenda.

177.6 To consider a quote for work on clearing brambles on Chipps Hill

The new contractor has not submitted his quotation. September agenda.

177.7 To consider a quote to have the grass on one goal mouth repaired

The goal posts have been delivered. Before we install them we need to sort out one of the goal mouths as it has been completely worn away. Ideally we need to remove the goal posts from the worn end and let the other end be used whilst we lay some plastic netting and reseed the ground. We pay out each year to keep this area grassed and having spoken to Playground Services, who installed the basket swing, we are allowed to install the same netting as under the play equipment. Two prices were obtained – to supply netting only - £327; to supply and install - £367.50. It was resolved to place an order for supply and installation.

177.8 To agree to pay the internal auditors honorarium of £75

It was resolved to pay the honorarium of £75.

177.9 AccountsInvoices to be paid in May 13

Mrs S Henson	222.66
BCC Pension payment	82.43
HMRC	55.60
Miss L M Hewitt – internal auditor	75.00
Peter Gomme –grass cutting and rolling – April	600.00
Broker Network – insurance renewal	572.53
Peter Gomme – 9 th May cut	240.00
Total	1848.22

Statement of Account:

Opening balance – 31 st March	11283.83
Plus precept – 50%	9709.81
Less April cheques	486.97
Sub Total	20506.67
Bank of Ireland	114.38
Total	20621.05

It was resolved to approve the accounts.

2. To receive the internal auditors report

It was resolved to accept the report – no issues of concern were raised.

3. To consider the insurance renewal document

The policy has been updated to cover the new play equipment. Public liability increased to £10,000,000.

4. To consider the Annual Governance Statement and External Auditor document

The Chairman read out all the questions and all were answered in the affirmative

177.10 Members Questions and Statements

The Clerk was given authority to order work to be undertaken to paint the bus shelter in Piddington up to a sum of £400.

The Clerk will be on holiday from 28th May - 9th June inclusive and 22nd – 30th July Inclusive.

177.11 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 11th June 2013 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.00hrs.

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