

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council held on
Tuesday 12th May 2015 at 8.00pm in Piddington Village Hall**

**Present: Cllrs Mr S. Digby , Mr A. Hackett, Mrs J Galliven, Mrs W. Pitcher Mrs S Storey,
Clerk – Mrs H. Glasgow**

**Apologies were accepted from: Cllr Ms J. Redfern,
District Cllr Mrs Jean Teesdale, Cllr Mr I McEnnis , County Cllr Mr D Hayday.**

Members of the public: 5, Mr Steve Baker (MP).

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

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

197.3 To agree the renewal of the Parish Councils Insurance
Council agreed to renew the Insurance Premium. The Clerk will ask if the removal of the bus shelter on
Wheeler End Common would reduce the premium.

197.4 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 8th April – 11th May 2015

1. Rural Vulnerability Service - Rural Broadband - April 2015
2. Dog Watch Alerts
3. Chiltern News
4. Weekly Email News Digest – Rural Services Network
5. Chiltern Society Magazine – email version available
6. Chiltern Society – Volunteer News
7. Rural Services Network – Fuel Poverty
8. Chiltern Conservation Board Newsletter
9. Dog Watch Alerts.
10. Rural Services Network – weekly news.
11. Chilterns Conservation Board – Open minds conference 23rd April
12. Rural Services Network - Rural Vulnerability Service - Rural Transport - March 2015.
13. Invitation – Memorial Service – 19th May at 6.30pm
14. My Bucks – Newsletter
15. Community Champions Awards
16. Notes from the NAG Meeting
17. Chiltern Society e-news May
18. Chiltern Society – Map reading course 26th May
19. Chiltern Society – Down on the farm day 16th May
20. WDC Planning Decisions:

Case Ref: **15/05527/CTR** *Decision:* To Make a Tree Preservation Order

Address: Meadow House Bolter End Lane Wheeler End Buckinghamshire HP14 3NE

Proposal: Fell on Silver Birch tree (1)

Case Ref: **14/06716/FUL** *Decision* Application Permitted

Address: Barn To North Of Huckenden Farm Cadmore End Common Road Wheeler End

Proposal: Conversion of existing single storey building (with partial replacement of roof) to
provide two-bedroom residential unit with bin store, amenity space, parking area
with access through Huckenden Farm and demotion of adjacent warehouse.

Clerks Report

1. Confirmation has been received that Piddington is entered into the Best Kept Village
Competition. Judging will take place in June and results will be published in July.

2. Mh-p has confirmed Council does not need a Free Website Makeover to add a directory page for businesses. The cost to create the page is £35.00.

Council could support the Business directory with a Clubs and Groups directory, many people may not know that there's an activity taking place on their doorstep. The cost to create the groups page is also £35.00.

Council agreed to add an additional business directory page to the website.

3. The West Wycombe Estate has given permission for pop up goals to be used on Wheeler End Common. The Clerk has obtained prices for two different sizes - £63 for one 12ft x 6ft goal or £16.00 for two 157cm high goals.

Council agreed to purchase one pop up goal for use on Wheeler End Common. The goal will be stored at a property near the Common. Children will have access to the goal, it will be their responsibility to ensure the goal is taken down and stored correctly.

4. The Bench on Wheeler End Common is broken. WDC have removed the bench, they will not replace it as there are 3 other benches in the same area.

Councillors asked if WDC kept the plaque from the bench and would like it returned to Council.

5. Post Box – Wheeler End: This was reported to The Royal Mail. They will carry out an inspection, if they believe that maintenance work is required they aim to resolve issues of this nature within 12 weeks.

6. The Police have leafleted all properties on Kings Street regarding parking.

7. BALC have copies available of the 4th edition of the Good Councillors Guide. Priced at £2 plus postage.

8. The Local Area Technician has advised that pot holes will be looked at w/c 11th May.

9. Dashwood Hill: The scope for siding out footways has now ceased until the winter when the grass cutting stops in October/November time. The guys who do the grass in the summer then do bits like siding out and flail works in the winter so unfortunately this will have to wait for a while.

10. TFB has raised an order for the painting of SLOW and 30mph roundals in Chipps Hill.

11. The water leak on Kings Street has been repaired. The Road was closed for resurfacing repair works.

12. Repairs have been carried out on the War Memorial at Wheeler End Common. No further costs to Council.

13. The low hanging Phone Wires on The Old Oxford Road have been reported to BT.

14. The Clerk is obtaining quotes for the painting of the fence around the war memorial, Wheeler End.

15. WDC have submitted the draft devolved services contract for comment. This has been emailed to all Councillors.

197.5 Planning Applications

15/06179/FUL – 9 Queen Street, Piddington - Householder application for construction of first floor side extension.

No Objection.

15/05935/CTREE – The Old Workhouse, Bullocks Farm Lane, Wheeler End - Removal of two low branches from Tree One: Scots Pine; removal of two branches growing eastwards and one growing horizontally to the west from Tree Two: Silver Birch.

No objection.

197.6 To complete the External Audit Statement and to consider and complete the Annual Governance Statement and to receive the Internal Auditors report

The Chairman read out all the External Audit statements which were answered in the affirmative. The internal auditors report was issued prior to the meeting and was accepted. No issues were raised.

197.7 Accounts: Approval of invoices submitted for payment in May 2015

Mrs H Glasgow – April Salary	211.60
HMRC	52.80
BALC/NALC Subscription	93.16
Peter Gomme – 2 x Cuts Rec Ground / A40	480.00
Broker Network LTD	651.29
Gemma Hanson – refund for allotment plot	10.00
TBS Hygiene – Environmental Waste Service	24.00
Miss L M Hewitt – Honorarium for Internal Audit	75.00
Total	£1597.85

Statement of Account

Opening balance – 26 th March	£6608.94
Less Approved Expenditure	- £2135.01
Income Received	+ £9914.12 (Precept)
Total at the 30th April	£14388.05

It was resolved to approve the accounts.

197.8 Members Questions and Statements

Cllr Galliven reported that the oak tree on Wheeler End Common hasn't taken yet.

It was reported that Mrs J Runge had delivered 40 copies of 'Contact' around Wheeler. Council thanked Mrs Runge for doing this and hope that residents find 'Contact' useful.

Cllr Galliven asked if she could have 25 copies of Contact each month to deliver to the remaining properties in Wheeler End.

Cllr Pitcher reported that the trees surrounding the 30 mph sign at the top of Chipps Hill need to be cut back.

Cllr Pitcher asked if TFB would install a sign for the Industrial Estate in Huckenden Lane. Lorries delivering to the units struggle to find the road.

Cllr Digby reported that the telephone lines on the Old Oxford Road are still hanging low.

The Clerk will contact the LAF to find out if any other Parish Councils have put in bids for TRO's.

The Clerk will contact Red Kite to inform them that letters were delivered to residents on Kings Street and signs have been put up by the fire brigade regarding the parking. The Clerk will ask if they can also look at the issue of parking.

197.9 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 9th June 2015 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.07.

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

Public Questions

A member of the public asked in the Parish Council could look at the footpath going towards Fillingdon Farm, there are deep trenches of pot holes on the path that need to be filled. Clerk will contact The Dashwood Estate.

A member of the public asked about the track running through Lower Fillingdon Wood. It is thought that originally this was a bridleway for pedestrians but it seems to be now used for vehicles and bikes. The Clerk will contact Kensham Farm.

The fence at the bottom of Princes Street has not been repaired. The Clerk will contact North's Estate.

Council will write a letter of thanks to Mr K Ranking for consistently picking up litter around the Village.

The Clerk will contact Cllr Darren Hayday and ask that pressure be put on BCC for the resurfacing works to be carried out.

The Clerk will obtain quotes for a smaller piece of play equipment at the Recreational ground.

Steve Baker (MP) thanked the Parish Council for inviting him to the meeting. Issues the Parish Council raised were:

1. Mobile reception
2. Faster broadband
3. Road resurfacing
4. Environmental upkeep – The trees on Old Oxford Road are in desperate need of attention. The Parish Council has raised this with BCC on a number of occasions
5. The trees on Old Dashwood Hill between Piddington and Studley Green were so over grown that people had to step out into the road in places to pass making it extremely dangerous. Now that the foliage has been cut back, the path needs siding out.