

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council held on Tuesday 10th May 2016 at 7.50pm in Piddington Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Mr S. Digby, Mr A Hackett, Ms J Redfern, Mrs S Storey, Mrs J K Roy, Mrs W Pitcher. District Cllr Mrs Jean Teesdale, County Cllr D Hayday.

Clerk – Mrs H. Glasgow.

Apologies were accepted from: Mrs J Galliven. District Cllr Mr I McEnnis.

Members of the public: 6.

Members questions

Cllr Teesdale reported that WDC are currently considering new reserve site for potential housing developments. WDC do want to protect the green belt as much as possible.

Cllr Teesdale reported on the HS2. Most construction vehicles will use the A4010 and would only use the A40 in case of road closures.

A Parishioner raised concerns about the current building works as 10 Queens Street. The Parish Council have not been made aware of any amendments on the planning consent.

Parishioners thanked Cllr Hayday for his work on the refurbishments of the roads.

Cllr Hayday reported that he is trying to source funding to get the footpaths refurbished, this is a slow process.

There is a possibility of building a new school in the area in the future.

A Parishioner asked if some white lines can be put on the two bends at the bottom of Queens Street. The Parish Council has considered this before but will look into this again.

The sign from the top of Piddington Lane was found in the verge. Clerk to arrange for this to be installed.

There will be a Parking meeting on Tuesday 7th June 2016 for the whole village to publicise the fact that Council would like people to be more responsible in the Village.

208.1 Declaration of disclosable pecuniary interests by Members relating to items on the Agenda
None.

208.2 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.

208.3 To agree the renewal of the Parish Councils Insurance
Council agreed to renew the insurance.

208.4 Planning Applications

16/05921/FUL – The Old Workhouse, Bullocks Farm Lane, Wheeler End
Application for – Householder application for construction of single storey extension to existing front lean-to building and new pitched roof.
No objections

16/05922/LBC – The Old Workhouse, Bullocks Farm Lane, Wheeler End
Application for – Listed building application for construction of single storey extension to existing front lean-to building and new pitched roof.
No objections

16/05811/FUL – Bluebell Cottage, Bullocks Farm Lane, Wheeler End
Application for – Householder application for part demolition of single storey rear extension, construction of single storey side and first floor rear extensions with internal alterations.
No objections

208.5 Clerks Report and Correspondence

- Broadband Update from WDC

"I am writing, as promised, to give you a further update on the roll-out of superfast broadband within Wycombe District. The proposals for additional coverage were received from BT in February and, since that time, a detailed evaluation of the proposals has been undertaken by Bucks Business First to ensure they provide value for money, as well as a comparative analysis by Government (BDUK) as the match-funder.

As a result of this detailed evaluation an error has been found in the postcode data, which has resulted in 485 Hertfordshire postcodes being erroneously included within the BT submission as part of the Bucks programme. This shows the importance of a detailed programme assurance approach. This is now being rectified by BT who will submit revised coverage proposals for Buckinghamshire, including Wycombe District.

Re-profiling and assuring the forthcoming contract (Contract 2) based upon the correct data means that programme should be ready for adoption this summer, with a view to delivery beginning in the Autumn and the contract completing on time in the summer of 2018. In practical terms this doesn't affect Wycombe's timeframe as our programme was not due to start until 2017 and the end date of summer 2018 is still achievable.

I am sorry that we are not yet in a position to share the final decision on coverage, and the phasing of delivery, but please be assured we continue to give this matter a high priority because we know that this is such an important issue for our rural communities. I will write again with a further update when a decision has been made in the summer".

- Further letter re Broadband from WDC

"I share the disappointment of the Parish Council, as we were hoping to take a decision this month, in line with my earlier correspondence with you.

However, in the process of the detailed evaluation on the BT proposal it was revealed that coverage in Hertfordshire had been incorrectly submitted as part of the Buckinghamshire proposal. It is therefore necessary to ask BT to rework their coverage proposals and submit revised proposals, which will include Wycombe District. This will ensure that the maximum coverage possible, within the funds available, will be achieved within Buckinghamshire and Wycombe District.

I am sure the Parish Council will understand the necessity and importance of undertaking a detailed evaluation of the proposals and, although it is very regrettable a decision cannot be made this month, we have to ensure that the proposals provide the maximum coverage possible and value for money from the use of public funds. Overall we have been assured that the timescale for the contract will still be achievable by the summer of 2018. Wycombe District additional coverage was not due to start until 2017 so a delay in the decision until summer should not impact on the delivery programme for our District.

The stakeholder message we sent out earlier this week outlined the current position and, as you know, we have been sending out regular updates on progress, as we know this is such an important issue to rural communities".

- Wycombe District Rural Forum Minutes
- Chiltern Society eNews

Clerks Report

1. The Piddington Parking Open Evening will be on Tuesday 7th June from 8pm until 9.30pm.
2. WDC will carry out the Annual Play Inspection of Piddington recreational ground in the next few weeks.
3. The forms have been submitted to enter the Best Kept Village Competition.
4. BCC have logged the complaint regarding the bollards on the entrance to Piddington.
5. BCC have logged the complaint regarding the trees on the A40. Someone will look at these within 28 days.
6. Allotment plot 20 is now vacant.
7. The new noticeboard at the bus stop will be put up shortly.
8. The litter pick day is on Saturday 21st May from 2pm – 4pm, meeting at the Village Hall.
9. TBS Hygiene has advised that due to an increase in waste disposal costs they are increasing the unit rate from £2.50 per bin to £2.70 per bin plus VAT. The new prices will start from 1st June.
10. Alison from the Open Spaces Society has kindly offered to look at all rights of way in the Parish.
11. Councillors were sent information regarding a proposed new base statement on Bullocks Farm Lane.

208.6 ACCOUNTS : Approval of invoices submitted for payment In May 2016

Cheque no	Expenditure	Subtotal	VAT	Total
1589	Mrs H Glasgow – April Salary	£199.86	£0.00	£199.86
1590	BCC Pensions	£78.67	£0.00	£78.67
313/16	HMRC	£50.00	£0.00	£50.00

1591				
1592	Hayley Glasgow - Expenses March - April	£111.75	£24.87	£136.32
1593	TBS Hygiene LTD - February	£20.00	£4.00	£24.00
1594	Gemma Smith	£100.00	£0.00	£100.00
1595	Came and Company	£703.66	£0.00	£703.66
1596	Peter Gomme	£480.00	£0.00	£480.00
	Total Expenditure	£1,743.94	£28.87	£1,772.51
	Income			
	Total Income	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00

	Statement of Account
Opening balance – 6th April 2016	£4,661.70
Less Approved Expenditure	-£1,388.32
Income	£10,564.94
Total at the 29th April 2016	£13,838.32

BCC Pensions 1581	£78.67
TBS Hygiene 1584	£24.00
Total Unpresented Cheques	£102.67
Balance Minus Unpresented cheques	£13,735.65

208.7 Members Questions and Statements

Cllr Redfern reported on the Chipps Hill maintenance programme. The contractor has quoted £3000 per year. Council asked the Clerk to find out if Pete Gomme would quote.

Concerns were raised regarding the large cedar tree on the allotments. The Clerk will contact the tenant.

Cllr Pitcher will continue to look at the issue of parking on Wheeler End Common.

Concerns were expressed about the amount of cars parked along the road by people working/visiting On-time Communications.

It was confirmed that the Piddington Street party is on Sunday 12th June 2016. BBQs will be provided, people should bring their own food and drink.

208.8 Date of next meeting –Tuesday 14th June 2016 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.29.

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