

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council held on
Wednesday 11th November 2009 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall**

Present:

**Cllrs, Mr A Hackett, Mrs S. Storey, Mrs W. Pitcher, Miss L. Bowen, Mrs J. Galliven,
Mrs S. Henson, Clerk**

**Apologies were accepted from: Cllr Mr S. Digby, County Cllr F. Downes, District Cllrs Mrs
J. Teesdale, Mr I. McEnnis**

- 140.1 Declaration of any personal or prejudicial interests relating to items on the Agenda
None declared.
- 140.2 To Confirm and Sign the Minutes of the October Parish Council Meeting
These were all agreed by those present and signed by the Chairman.
- 140.3 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.

140.4 Clerk's Report

1. Only three allotments have outstanding rent on them and reminder letters have been sent to two of them. Mr Stone has given his up and these have been offered to new tenants. Papers have been sent to the new tenant, the other allotment is being offered to an existing tenant.
2. The new gate has been installed at the Recreation Ground and then the hedge can be cut.
3. Wreaths were ordered for the Remembrance Day Service. Approximately 40 residents attended at Wheeler End
4. The War Memorial and all the names have been repainted although not to a good enough standard. A better method is being investigated.
5. Peter Gomme has carried out a final tidy up cut on all the grass
6. An article has appeared in Community Voice on the Recreation Ground

Correspondence received from 15th October – 11th November 2009

1. Request from BCC for Delegated Budget applications – to be submitted by December 11th – Councillors agreed that there was nothing to bid for. We will consider the 2011/2012 bid in April 2010.
2. BCC Local Area Forum workshop to create a Local Area Community Plan – January 12th at Longburrow Hall, Stokenchurch 7.30pm – 9.30pm. Need to complete a form and submit with concerns by 11th December. Clerk will complete the form.
3. BALC AGM – Friday 13th November 7.30pm – Clerk attending
4. M40 Group – Minutes of October meeting and notification of AGM on 26th November, 7.30pm Lane End Youth & Community Centre – passed to Cllr Mrs Pitcher
5. Open Spaces Magazine
6. Request from M40 Group for financial help when setting the precept
7. Arrhythmia Alliance information about defibrillators – passed to Cllr Mrs Storey
8. Letter from Royal British Legion confirming arrangements for Sunday 8th – 10.15am service at Wheeler End Memorial
9. War Memorials Trust magazine
10. BCC Walk Your Paths initiative – to encourage a local survey of all footpaths by local residents in the Spring with reports on what maintenance is needed, any improvements which could be made and prioritising the work. Parish Council will work on organising this.
11. WDC will no longer consult Parish Councils on minor amendments in planning applications.
12. Playing Field magazine
13. Mike Henson Presentations Ltd offering us the chance to have any page updated each month for a total annual cost of £60. Currently we pay £15 each time a plan goes up or the Contact article is put on the website. As we submit News each month this would be a cost saving for the Parish Council.

140.5 ACCOUNTS1. Approval of invoices submitted for paymentInvoices to be paid in November

Mrs S Henson	267.23
Mrs S. Henson expenses	21.64
BCC Pension payment	79.15
H F Nixey & Son (Recreation ground gate)	345.00
Paul Thomas (War Memorial Maintenance)	80.05
Staples (stamps)	36.00
British Legion – poppy wreaths	33.00
Peter Gomme – final grass cutting	15.05
WDALC Training – Cllr Digby	10.00
Peter Gomme – final cuts for the year	280.00
Total	1167.12

Accounts

Current Account opening balance 1.10.2009	7067.39
Plus allotment rents	70.00
Sub Total	7137.39
Less October cheques/so	569.90
Sub Total	6567.49
Bank of Ireland balance	114.34
Total funds	6681.83

It was resolved to approve the accounts.

2. To discuss the budget and Precept for 2010/2011

The Clerk had issued papers and running costs prior to the meeting. To create a Traffic Regulation Order will cost £3000. It was agreed that we would spend £2000 on a cycle activity, £3000 on the TRO and allow £1000 to hand clear parts of Chipps Hill. We would need to increase the Precept from £15,000, which it has been held at for two years, to £18,500. We no longer have any reserves. The Precept will be set at the December meeting when we have the Band D information from WDC.

140.6 Planning

SH/09/06919/FUL – 9 Princes Street householder application for the construction of a two storey front extension and two storey side infill extension- no objection.

140.7 To discuss the BCC Parking document (if received prior to the meeting)

The report is still being produced as John Charlton is on long term sick leave and is due back to work on 20th November.

140.7 To consider the offer for bulb planting by Mr Lassen

It was agreed to leave it for a year. The Clerk will advise Mr Lassen and thank him for his kind offer.

140.9 To consider creating a cycle track in Piddington Recreation Ground

The Clerk has ordered a booklet from ROSPA with guidelines on the subject and, if feasible, work could take place in the next financial year but to a maximum budget of £2000.

140.10 Members Questions and Statements

Cllr Mrs Storey reported that some of the wooden shingles have been removed from the Piddington Bus Shelter. They need screwing back into place.

Cllr Mrs Storey reported an increase in the incidence of dog fouling on the footway between The Dashwood Arms and Princes Street. Signs refusing access to dogs are on the gate posts for the Recreation Ground.

140.11 Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 9th December at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm

Signed.....

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