

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council held on Tuesday 9th September 2014 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall

**Present: Cllrs Mr S. Digby, Mrs S. Storey , Mrs W. Pitcher, Mrs J Galliven, Mr A Hackett, Ms J Redfern
County Cllr Mr D Hayday**

Apologies: 0

Members of the public: 0

- 189.1 Declaration of any personal or prejudicial interests relating to items on the Agenda
None declared.
- 189.2 To Confirm and Sign the Minutes of the July Parish Council Meeting.
The Minutes of the above meetings were agreed by those present and signed by the Chairman.
- 189.3 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 9th July – 9th September 2014

1. War Memorials Bulletin
2. Buckinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service: 2015-20 Public Safety Plan Consultation
3. AONB Replacement Parish Member voting form for Chilterns Conservation Board – agenda item.
4. Mazars return of the eternal audit – no issues raised – on website
5. Notification of the change in legislation re filming and recording of parish council meetings – enclosed
6. Invitation from WDC for Clerk and Chairman to attend the Battle of Britain Sunday Service on 21st September at Wycombe Parish Church.
7. Request from Thames Valley Police to ask residents to cut back their hedges in order that signs can be seen – Clerk to put a piece in Contact.
8. Best Kept Village Competition results.
9. Chiltern Society magazine
10. WDC Play Area Inspection – October agenda – items raised are either very low risk or low risk.

Clerks Report:

The Clerk wrote to 4 tenants asking them to tidy up their allotments. One of those tenants has given up his allotment due to ill health.
All the allotment rent renewal notices have been issued.

- 189.4 PLANNING
Applications
14/06825/FUL-Meadow House, Bolter End Lane, Wheeler End -Householder application for construction of single storey front and rear extensions – no objection
14/06716/FUL -Barn To North Of Huckenden Farm, Cadmore End Common Road, Wheeler End -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 building – no objection.
- 189.5 To report on the external audit
The external auditors raised no concerns over our accounts. They want a more detailed breakdown of our expenditure if there is more than a 10% difference in our expenditure from the previous year. We spent less in 2013/2014 than the previous year and we explained that the previous year was a higher spend than normal which was explained in the written statement. Now on the website.
- 189.6 To revise the Standing Orders relating to the filming and recording of parish council meetings
HM Government has changed the legislation relating to filming and recording parish council meetings and our Standing Orders have to reflect this change. It was resolved to add a clause to our Standing Orders to cover this addition.
- 189.7 To vote on a candidate for the replacement parish member to the Chilterns Conservation Board
It was resolved to vote for Elke Hojer

189.9 To consider having a Communications Questionnaire put on our website and to revamp the website

It was resolved to have the Communications Questionnaire on the website and to revamp it in April 2015 when the Clerk retires and a new Clerk is in place.

189.10 To discuss the appointment of a new Clerk to replace the retiring Clerk

A job description, person description and advert will be prepared for Councillors to consider and these will be put on the Notice Board, website and in Contact.

189.11 ACCOUNTS : 1. Approval of invoices submitted for payment

Accounts paid in August 2014

Mrs S Henson – July salary	232.11
BCC – pension - August	79.00
HMRC	58.00
Peter Gomme – cut of Recreation Ground & Pidd Green	440.00
Oxley Conservation – War Memorial	1200.00
John Herridge & Sons – War Memorial	3833.40
Total	5842.51

Accounts to be paid in September

Mrs S Henson – August salary	232.11
BCC – pension - September	79.00
HMRC	58.00
Mrs Henson – expenses July/August	95.90
West Wycombe Estate – Rec Ground rent	250.00
Mazars – audit	120.00
GC & SG Brooks – hedge and grass cutting	420.00
WDC – Play area inspection	76.80
Total	1331.81

Statement of Account

Opening balance – 1 st July	17164.38
Less July/August cheques	6996.21
Sub Total	10168.17
Bank of Ireland	114.39
Total	10282.56

189.12 Members Questions and Statements

1. Cllr Mrs Pitcher raised concerns about the trees which are causing vehicles to be in the centre of the road at the top of Chipps Hill.
2. Wheeler End Councillors complained about the way WDC had cut Wheeler End Common and asked that the verge/bank be cut. Clerk will ask Mr Brooks to cut it and make a complaint to WDC about the quality of the grass cutting this year.
3. Cllr Mrs Pitcher asked if there had been any response to our suggestion about creating a lay bye for resident's parking on Wheeler End Common – nothing to date. Clerk will pursue.
4. The second oak tree has died – the contractor will replant free of charge in the autumn – this will be the last attempt.
5. Cllr Hackett asked if we could consider planting more daffodils along the allotment verge.
6. Cllr Hackett asked if we had any further news about devolved services – nothing to date.
7. Cllr Mrs Storey reported to the NAG meeting the need for help over parking in Piddington in particular the flats in King Street/Queen Street. Tickets will be issued for parking over marked bays.
8. Cllr Digby raise our continued concerns over the hedge/vegetation over the Dashwood Hill footway. Cllr Hayday will continue to push our case with BCC.

189.13 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 14th October 2014 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

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