# Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council held on Tuesday 8th September 2015 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Mr S. Digby, Mrs J Galliven, Ms J. Redfern, Mrs S Storey. County Cllr Mr D Hayday. Clerk – Mrs H. Glasgow.

Apologies were accepted from: Mrs W Pitcher, Mr A Hackett, District Cllr Mr I McEnnis, Cllr Mrs Jean Teesdale.

## Members of the public: 5.

#### Public questions

A member of the public asked if the Parish Council would consider putting a water facility at the Allotments. The preference would be to have a water supply and tap but the other option would be to have water butts and a trough. The Clerk will liaise with Thames Water and report at the October Meeting.

Concerns were raised that two allotment plots have not be cultivated for some time. The Clerk will contact the Tenants.

Parishioners thanked the Parish Council for organising the new path on Chipps Hill, this has proved extremely valuable.

Cllr Hayday reported that the resurfacing of the roads will be done in two stages. The first phase will be completed in mid-September and the second phase will be completed mid- October. Letters will be posted to all those houses that will be affected. Works will be done over two days between 7am and 7pm. Cars will have restricted access to their properties between these times.

Cllr Hayday reported that he met the Local Area Technician reading Piddington Lane. It was noted that many hedges are overgrown and the owners will be contacted to have them cut back. Pot holes have also been marked to be filled.

Cllr Hayday will continue to pursue if Fibre Broadband can be brought to Piddington.

A Parishioner raised concerns about cars and vans being parked on the paths on Kings and Queens Street. The Parish Council will be discussing parking in more detail at a future meeting. If Parishioners are having problems with parked cars they should contact the Local Police or PCSO for the area.

## 200.1 <u>Declaration of any personal or prejudicial interests relating to items on the Agenda</u> None declared.

## 200.2 To Confirm and Sign the Minutes of the July Parish Council Meeting

The Minutes of the above meeting were agreed by those present and signed by the Chairman.

#### 200.3 To receive the Play Inspection report for Piddington Recreation ground

The Clerk presented the Play Area Inspection Report for Piddington. All risks are fairly low. Works should be carried out to minimise the risk of any accidents. Council resolved to all works being carried out as per the report and accepted the quotation of £200.00 to complete the works. The Clerk will order any parts required.

## 200.4 To consider the quotations for the blocked drains near The Dashwood Arms

The two drains on the track leading to the car park behind The Dashwood Arms are blocked. The Parish Council has a responsibility to maintain the track and drains. Two quotes were presented. Council accepted a quote of £170.00 to dig out the drains.

#### 200.5 To discuss Piddington Allotments

Council deferred the decision on rents for the upcoming year until the October meeting. If a water supply is to be installed rents are likely to increase.

The Parish Council resolved to a greenhouse being installed on a plot backing onto the main road. The greenhouse should be installed within the boundary of the plot.

West Wycombe Art Group made a request to do some paintings at the Allotments. Council gave permission for this.

#### 200.6 To discuss Mobile Reception issues

Cllr Hayday reported that BT can test to see if they can offer mobile reception in any areas currently not covered. Cllr Hayday will continue to look into this issue and will keep Council up to date of any findings.

#### 200.7 Planning Applications on Website

Council resolved to remove the facility to find local planning applications from their website making a yearly saving on website costs.

Council asked the Clerk to find out how much the cost would be to have a link from the Parish Councils website to WDC planning portal.

## 200.8 <u>Clerks Report and Correspondence</u>

A list of correspondence had been issued to Councillors and copies of relevant items were given to them prior to the meeting.

- 1. BCC HS2
- 2. Rural Services Network Rural Vulnerability Service
- 3. Dog Watch Alerts
- 4. Andrew Sage Molins Action Group
- 5. Chilterns Conservation Board July Newsletter
- 6. Rural Services Network Building a Rural Community
- 7. My Bucks Summer Newsletter
- 8. Rural Services Network Spotlight on Rural Health
- 9. WDC Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and Section 106 funds to implement infrastructure projects in the 2016/17 financial year.
- 10. Red Kite Update on George Lee Court
- 11. WDC Member dispensations for the setting of Council Tax
- 12. Chiltern Society enews August
- 13. The Chilterns Conservation Board Celebration of 50 years of the Chilterns AONB 25 November 2015
- 14. Parish Devolved Services Meeting SEP 18th 9:30am, Aylesbury
- 15. Chiltern Rangers would like to announce the launch of their new Pro Bono scheme
- 16. BCC Your Roads Budget Priorities Event 9th October
- 17. Chiltern Conservation Board August Newsletter

## **Clerks Report**

- 1. WDC have returned the plaque from the memorial bench removed from Wheeler End Common.
- 2. The Clerk was informed that the pop up goal that Council purchased for the youngsters to use on Wheeler End Common was left out and removed. This was taken down by WDC but has now been returned.
- 3. The Bank have confirmed all details have now been changed on the Bank Mandate.
- 4. Cllr Digby confirmed he has spoken to the allotment tenant re the metal shed. He is reluctant to paint the shed due to the difficulty of preparing and then maintaining painted galvanised metal. He has agreed to grow two Virginia Creepers over the shed to make it more attractive.
- 5. The Clerk has distributed the meeting dates for 2016.
- 6. The Clerk contacted WDC and asked if the dog waste bin opposite the Brickmakers Arms can be moved to the other side of The Common. It was thought that this might not be a good idea as generally waste bins need to be close to a road in order to be emptied.
- 7. Cllr Digby arranged for the branches growing out at the bottom of Chipps Hill were removed.
- 8. The Clerk asked Peter Gomm to cut back the main hedge on fronting the Recreational Ground and the hedge fronting Princes Street, this work has been completed.
- 9. The Clerk has contacted WDC regarding Piddington Green next to the Allotments to ask if WDC would consider selling this to the PC.
- 10. The Clerk has contacted BT re the condition of the telephone box in Wheeler End Common, they will look into this.
- 11. The painting of the War Memorial Fence at Wheeler End Common has been completed.
- 12. The Clerk has chased Red Kite regarding the toddlers play equipment on Piddington Rec ground but as yet have no news.
- 13. The External Audit was received with no issues.

## 200.9 ACCOUNTS: Approval of invoices submitted for payment in September 2015

Expenditure	Total
Mrs H Glasgow – July Salary	£211.40
HMRC - July	£53.00
Mrs H Glasgow – August Salary	£211.60
HMRC - August	£52.80
Mrs H Glasgow - Expenses	£128.64
Mazars LLP	£120.00
James Glasgow - War Memorial Fence	£436.20
TBS Hygiene LTD	£24.00
West Wycombe Estate - rent for Pidd Rec	£250.00
Peter Gomme - 2x cuts on playing fields &	£570.00
hedge cutting at Princes Street	

## Total Expenditure £2,057.64

Income	£1,416.67
HMRC VAT return	£9.83
Insurance Credit	£463.14
BCC rights of Ways payment	

Total Income £1,889.64

#### 200.10 Members Questions and Statements

Cllr Galliven reported that residents of Wheeler End Common were going to buy a new bench to replace the Memorial Bench on Wheeler End Common that was removed.

There is a conker tree on Wheeler End Common which has sadly died. The Clerk will contact WDC regarding removing this.

Cllr Galliven gave her apologies for the October meeting.

Cllr Redfern is concerned about the response to parking issues. The Clerk will contact the Local Area Technician and put this on the October agenda.

Cllr Storey reported someone has put a bookshelf in the bus stop. There is a notice saying that Parishioners may borrow books.

Cllr Digby reported that all the overgrown trees at the bottom of Chipps Hill have now been cut back.

The Clerk will contact BCC regarding the digging out on Dashwood Hill.

Date of next meeting - Tuesday 13th October 2015 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.51.	
Signature	Date