

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council held on Wednesday 3rd December 2008 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall**

**Present:**

**Cllrs Mr S. Digby , Mr A. Hackett, Mrs S. Storey , Mrs W. Pitcher,  
Mrs S. Henson, Clerk County Cllr Mr. F. Downes**

**Apologies were accepted from: Cllr Mrs J. Galliven, Cllr Miss L. Bowen, Dist Cllr Mrs J. Teesdale,  
Dist Cllr Mr I. McEnnis,**

130.1 Declaration of any personal or prejudicial interests relating to items on the Agenda  
Cllr Hackett declared an interest on the item relating to Mweya.

130.2 To Confirm and Sign the Minutes of the November Parish Council Meeting  
These were all agreed by those present and signed by Chairman.

130.3 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.

1. The Recreation ground hedge has been cut; sadly vandals have totally pushed over one of the Notice Boards. Mr Gomme has been instructed to remove it.
2. The daffodil bulbs have been planted
3. The Clerk has briefed Mr Pete Gomme for clearing the brambles on Chipps Hill
4. BCC Rights of Way are happy with the situation on footpath PE16. Cllr Mrs Storey reported that the gate has been padlocked again and a bar is making access difficult and the stile is inaccessible. Clerk will raise the issue with Rights of Way
5. BCC have tidied and cut back around the base of all the large trees on Piddington Green.

Correspondence received from 5<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> November 2008

1. Request from Mr David Middleton to have a tree planted on Wheeler End Common in memory of his son Julian who lived in Piddington Lane.
2. War Memorials Trust Newsletter
3. Price from Playdale Equipment – a birds nest swing would cost £3,200 delivered and installed and a climbing/twisting cone would cost between £5,700 to £6,200 depending on size.
4. Chilterns Conservation Board AONB Management Plan 2008 -2013 – passed to Cllr Mrs Pitcher
5. Electronic copy of the new Electoral Roll
6. Buckinghamshire Pathfinder – WDC Community Engagement Newsletter No 8. Circulated to all Councillors

130.4 ACCOUNTS

Invoices to be paid in December 08

Mrs S Henson (s/o)	278.95
Piddington & District Village Hall (November)	18.00
Staples (paper – cost will be shared with the other two PC's)	58.63
Royal British Legion poppy wreaths	33.00
SLCC subscription divided between three PC's	44.33
West Wycombe PC – 10% of telephone bill	12.59
E. Ross – daffodil bulb planting	315.00
C G Balkwell & Son hedge cutting	102.23
WERAG – donation	200.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>1062.73</b>

Accounts

Current Account opening balance 1.11.2008	5153.01
Less November cheques & s/o	1596.67
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>3566.34</b>
Bank of Ireland balance	2122.17
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>5688.51</b>

**It was resolved to approve the accounts**

To consider the proposed SLCC pay increase backdated to April 2008

This would amount to an increase of £6.85 per month, making a total of £61.65 (April – Dec inclusive). It was resolved to pay the increase.

To set the precept for 2009/10

It was resolved to set the Precept at £15,000.

- 130.5 To consider a donation to WERAG for further tree planting on Wheeler End Common and to consider a request by Mr Middleton for planting a tree, in memory of his son, on Wheeler End Common.

WERAG would like to plant more trees on Wheeler End Common; Wycombe District Council has no objection. It was resolved to make a donation of £200.

Wycombe District Council has no objection to a tree being planted and would suggest a sweet chestnut, English Oak or beech. The Clerk will write to Mr Middleton advising him that a tree meeting WDC’s requirements can be planted in his son’s memory.

- 130.6 Planning – Mweya – conversion and extension to build 10 flats – no official planning application has been submitted however we have studied the plans and have formulated questions to ask the architect. If they come in over Christmas the Clerk will ask for an extension.

08/06714/FUL - -Denham Farm – demolition of existing store and construction of new garage - permit

- 130.7 Members Questions and Statements

Cllr Hackett asked what the position was re posts on the verge by The Dashwood Arms.

Cllr Digby restated his concerns about the footway from Ham Farm to Old Dashwood Hill – County Cllr Downes reported that there was no budget left for minor works. We will keep it on our list for the new financial year.

- 130.8 Date of next meeting – Wednesday 14th January 2009 at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall

There being no other matters, Cllr Digby closed the meeting at 8.10pm

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