

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF PIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL held on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

		Action	By date
	<p><b>Present:</b> Cllr M Nixon, Cllr M Terzino, Cllr P Feltbower, Cllr T Wills and Cllr M Newbury</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Cllr Angus Patrick (CDC)</p> <p><b>Also Present:</b> Cllr C Miller (OCC), Cllr G Coton (CDC) and 4 parishioners.</p>		
66	<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b> Cllrs Terzino and Newbury as a members of the Village Hall Committee.</p>	all	
67	<p><b>Minutes</b> The Minutes of the meeting of 15<sup>th</sup> November 2022 were agreed as drawn, save for the fact that Cllr Miller’s report was presented by Cllr Coton, as Cllr Miller had been unable to attend.</p>	clerk	
	<p><b>Condolence</b> The Parish Council observed a period of silence in recognition of the tragic death of a resident before Christmas. The Council agreed to consider an appropriate memorial at its next meeting.</p>		
	<p><b>Public participation</b> The Council was asked for information as to when the road between the end of the village and the A41 would be reinstated, following recent works by Network Rail, to include appropriately marked passing places. Cllr Willis confirmed that she was pursuing this with OCC, with support from Cllr Miller.</p> <p>A following question concerned the reason for temporary traffic lights on the bridge over the railway.</p> <p>While the village welcomes the 20mph speed limit, concerns are that the signage is an eyesore, and residents would like to know why signs were not attached to existing road furniture.</p> <p>Two residents attended to explain that they had bought the Seven Stars public house, with a view to applying for planning permission to convert it to a residential dwelling.</p> <p>Another resident asked what plans the village had to protect/enhance identified village assets.</p>		
69	<p><b>Councillors’ reports.</b>  Cllr Miller confirmed that he was chasing OCC Highways for an update on Lower End and the road to the A41, and he will report concerns about the 20mph signage/ workmanship to OCC officers.</p>		

	<p>Attendance at the Water Forum has now been agreed, and a further meeting will be arranged.</p> <p>Cllr Terzino enquired about the possibility of covering the brook along Lower End, and putting in a culvert to take the water.</p> <p>Cllr Miller reported that OCC will be agreeing their budget at their next County Council meeting, and the county is currently experiencing pressure on Adult Social Care.</p> <p>Finally he agreed to confirm the amount unspent in this year's Community Fund.</p> <p>Cllr Coton reported that the CDC Local Plan will be out for consultation between 3<sup>rd</sup> February and 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023.</p> <p>Cllr Patrick is currently organising an introduction to the work of the planning team, and CDC are hoping to offer training on the Code of Conduct to parish councillors.</p>																	
70	<p><b>Finance</b> The Council , having considered their budget for 2023/2, agreed to increase the precept by 3% - a total increase of £300 and an increase per Band D property of £1.68 p.a.</p> <p>The Council agreed the following payments:-</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="272 1350 1326 1688"> <tr> <td data-bbox="272 1350 560 1406">M and J Cross</td> <td data-bbox="560 1350 946 1406">Grass</td> <td data-bbox="946 1350 1326 1406">£240.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="272 1406 560 1462">Mrs A Davies</td> <td data-bbox="560 1406 946 1462">Cl salary</td> <td data-bbox="946 1406 1326 1462">£573.10</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="272 1462 560 1518">PVH</td> <td data-bbox="560 1462 946 1518">room hire</td> <td data-bbox="946 1462 1326 1518">£10.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="272 1518 560 1574">Water plus</td> <td data-bbox="560 1518 946 1574">Allotment water</td> <td data-bbox="946 1518 1326 1574">£10.90</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="272 1574 560 1688">HMRC</td> <td data-bbox="560 1574 946 1688">Cl tax</td> <td data-bbox="946 1574 1326 1688">£140.60</td> </tr> </table>	M and J Cross	Grass	£240.00	Mrs A Davies	Cl salary	£573.10	PVH	room hire	£10.50	Water plus	Allotment water	£10.90	HMRC	Cl tax	£140.60	clerk	
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71.	<b>Village matters</b>																	
72.	<p><b>Allotments</b></p> <p>All plots are now let.</p>	TW																

73.	<b>Jubilee Reserve</b> The Clerk will obtain a quote to cut back the hedge between the reserve and the sports field, on receipt of a map showing the extent required.	AD/MT	
74.	<b>Embankment</b> It was reported that there are concerns that the recently constructed haul road leaves residents vulnerable. The Clerk was asked to approach Network Rail with a request that security on the gates is increased.		
75.	<b>Planning appeal</b> A decision on the recent planning appeal for the gypsy traveller site is awaited.		
76.	<b>Planning</b> <a href="#">22/03862/</a> The Chestnuts Arncott Road   Erection of 2 dwelling houses. <b>F</b> Piddington Bicester OX25 1AE  There was concern that this application was for residential property outside the village envelope, and in open countryside.		
77.	<b>Highways</b> A report of damage to a stile on the footpath off Shady Lane has been reported to OCC footpaths.	AD	
78.	<b>Police</b> Ongoing.	KH	
79.	<b>Circulated Between Meetings:</b> OALC and CDC Updates	AD	
80.	<b>Any Other business.</b> The Clerk was asked to raise village concerns about loud bangs from the MOD land that were heard in Piddington on 10 <sup>th</sup> January, without any prior warning. The Clerk was asked to remind the MOD that advance notice of such activity is helpful, and any such notice will be placed on the village Facebook page.  The Clerk was asked to make arrangements for the plastic brackets on the village gates to be replaced.	AD	

	It was suggested that a team of volunteers should be recruited to deal with snow clearance.		
81.	The meeting closed at 9.00 pm.		
80.	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b> 21st February 2023 at 7.30pm	AD	