

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF PIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL held on 20<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2024**

		Action	By date															
	<p><b>Present:</b> Cllr M Nixon (Chair) Cllr M Newbury, Cllr M Terzino, Cllr P Feltbower, and Cllr T McNally.</p> <p><b>Remotely:</b> Cllr T Wills</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Cllr C Miller (OCC) Cllr G Coton (CDC).</p> <p><b>Also Present:</b> Cllr Julian Nedelcu (CDC)</p>																	
108	<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b> Cllrs Terzino and Newbury as members of the Village Hall Committee.</p>	all																
109	<p><b>Minutes</b> The Minutes of the meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> January 2024 were agreed as drawn.</p>	clerk																
110	<p><b>Councillors' reports.</b> Cllr Nedelcu reported that CDC had now agreed its budget for 2024/5 and the new chief executive had started at CDC. He asked to be briefed about the application for the gypsy/traveller site in Widnell Lane, which, the Parish Council pointed out, would now be affected by the development of a concrete batching plant at Cow Pastures. The Parish Council were also concerned at the effect on great crested newts that were known to inhabit the area in Widnell Lane.</p>																	
111	<p><b>Finance</b> The Council noted the current position with regard to the Council's financial position, and agreed the following payments:-</p> <table border="0" style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>PVH</td> <td>room hire</td> <td>12.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC</td> <td>cl tax</td> <td>119.40</td> </tr> <tr> <td>A Davies</td> <td>salary</td> <td>477.42</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Waterplus</td> <td>allotment water</td> <td>10.33</td> </tr> <tr> <td>John Wigham</td> <td>hedge</td> <td>2050.00</td> </tr> </table>	PVH	room hire	12.00	HMRC	cl tax	119.40	A Davies	salary	477.42	Waterplus	allotment water	10.33	John Wigham	hedge	2050.00	clerk	
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112	<p><b>Village Matters</b></p>																	
a	<p><b>Pocket Park</b> Ongoing.</p>	PF/TM																
	<p><b>Dog Fouling</b> This is still a problem in the Jubilee Reserve – especially by dogs belonging to non residents, often walking several dogs. The Clerk was</p>																	

	asked to investigate the possibility of byelaws to control the use. It was agreed that Councillors would monitor the site and report any obvious problem times to the CDC Dog Warden.		
b	<p><b>Allotments</b></p> <p>The hedging work has now been completed. The clerk was asked to deliver the whips (due to arrive from the Woodland Trust) to the allotment site.</p>	TW/AD	
c	<p><b>Jubilee Reserve</b></p> <p>The Jubilee Reserve has recently been flooded. The Clerk is waiting to hear from potential volunteers who could help to clear out the pond.</p>	MT/Clerk	
	<p><b>Flooding</b></p> <p>The recent wet weather has caused significant flooding in the village, and there have been a number of areas where culverts appear to have been blocked. A resident agreed to mark these locations on a map, so that the Clerk could then contact relevant agencies with details, both of the flooding and the drain blockages.</p> <p>The Clerk was requested to make enquiries about the proposals for the next Ray Valley River Forum meeting.</p>	Resident/ clerk	
113	<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p><a href="#"><u>24/00097/F</u></a> Land South Side Of Widnell Lane Piddington</p> <p>The Parish Council agreed to strongly oppose this development and authorised the Clerk to submit its objection to the Local Planning Authority.</p> <p><a href="#"><u>24/00110/F</u></a> 16 Lower End Piddington Bicester OX25 1QD</p> <p>Single storey rear and front extension including porch extension.</p> <p>No objection.</p>		
114	<p><b>Highways</b></p> <p>The weight restriction signs on the B4011 still require replacement.</p> <p>It has been noted that lorries are driving through the village and damaging the verge and grass on the corner of Ludgershall Road and Thame Road by cutting the corner. The Clerk was asked to report the matter to OCC Highways.</p>	AD	

	<p>The white gates at the village entry points seem to be moving, and require attention.</p> <p>40 large trucks have been observed entering the Cow Pastures Farm site. They are all refuelled by a diesel store on site, which requires regular monitoring.</p>		
115	<p><b>Police</b></p> <p>The minutes of the recent police forum will be circulated when available.</p>	AD/all	
116	<p><b>Circulated Between Meetings:</b></p> <p>OALC and CDC Updates</p>	AD	
117	<p><b>Any Other business.</b></p> <p>Councillors were reminded of the parish election on May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2024.</p>	clerk	
118	<p>The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.</p>		
119	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>19<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 7.30pm</p>	AD	

Piddington Parish Council				Monthly Financial Report	
				Parish Council Meeting	16 January 2024
Payments processed since last meeting				£1,581.80	
	23-Nov-23	PVH	B/P	£50.00	
	23-Nov-23	A Davies	B/P	£350.66	
	23-Nov-23	HMRC	B/P	£85.00	
	23-Nov-23	M and J Cross	B/P	£450.00	
	23-Nov-23	Waterplus	B/P	£8.99	
	31-Dec-23	Bank		£18.00	
	18-Jan-24	PVH	B/P	£12.00	
	18-Jan-24	HMRC	B/P	£119.40	
	18-Jan-24	A Davies	B/P	£477.42	
	18-Jan-24	Waterplus	B/P	£10.33	
Receipts processed since previous report				£0.00	
Bank Reconciliation				Statement dated	05 January 2024
Unity Trust Current account				£12,872.72	
Items not yet cleared:					
	Receipts	None			
	Payments	None			
				Net Total	£12,872.72