

**MINUTES OF A VIRTUAL MEETING OF PIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL held on 19<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2021**

	<p><b>Present:</b> Cllr M Nixon, Cllr P Feltbower, Cllr K Howard, Cllr M Terzino, Cllr T Wills and Cllr J Keel</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Cllr D Hughes (CDC).</p> <p><b>Also Present:</b> Cllr D Sames (OCC).</p>	Action	By date																
90.	<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b> Cllr Terzino as a member of the Village Hall Committee and Cllr Howard’s involvement with the Church Fundraising Committee, the Village Hall Committee, the TVPA Rural Resilience Forum and as a member of the OALC Executive Committee.</p>	all																	
91.	<p><b>Minutes</b> The Minutes of the meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020 were agreed as drawn.</p>	clerk																	
92.	<p><b>Councillor’s report</b> Cllr Sames advised the council that, despite making a grant to Piddington PC, he still had some funds for local priorities in his OCC Councillor fund.</p> <p>He was concerned at the condition of the Marsh Gibbon Road, and reminded councillors to send other road issues to him.</p> <p>Fly tipping reports (with pictures) can be sent to him for action by CDC.</p> <p>He confirmed that he had received no update about the former 7 Stars PH.</p>																		
93.	<p><b>Finance</b> The Council agreed to set a precept of £9759 for the year 2021/2022, which means that the payment per band “D” property remains at £56.05 per annum.</p> <p>The Council noted the financial report and bank reconciliation (and shown in Appendix A). It agreed the payment of the following invoices: -</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="284 1662 1273 2020"> <tr> <td>100495</td> <td>Moore Stephens</td> <td>audit</td> <td>240</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100496</td> <td>Countrywide</td> <td>Grass</td> <td>184.99</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100497</td> <td>Mrs A Davies</td> <td>Cl salary</td> <td>401.84</td> </tr> <tr> <td>100498</td> <td>HMRC</td> <td>Cl tax</td> <td>100.60</td> </tr> </table>	100495	Moore Stephens	audit	240	100496	Countrywide	Grass	184.99	100497	Mrs A Davies	Cl salary	401.84	100498	HMRC	Cl tax	100.60	clerk	
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94.	<b>Flooding</b>  There has been noticeable flooding in Lower End, thought to be caused by the works to the railway embankment, as the new haul road is above the flood plain level. Cllr Howard agreed to raise this issue with contractors working on the embankment. There has also been an increase in flooded ditches throughout the village. The Clerk was asked to raise this issue with former Councillor Coleman, and invite the concerned resident of Lower Cowleys farm to the next meeting.		
95.	<b>Smoke from Cow Pastures farm</b>  It was reported that there had been heavy smoke coming from Cow Pastures farm since November 2020. This has been reported to Environmental Health at CDC, and pictures of any further burning should be sent to the clerk or Cllr Howard for onward transmission to CDC.		
96.	<b>Allotments</b>  Thames Water are expected to start work to install the water supply to the allotments on 8 <sup>th</sup> February. Four allotments remain vacant, although flooding is currently rendering one unusable.		
97.	<b>Embankment works</b>  The contractors are expected back on site at the end of February. Cllr Sames agreed to support the Parish Council's request to OCC to access the work site from the A41 to avoid HGVs travelling through the village.	KH	
98.	<b>Jubilee Reserve</b>  Despite notices dog fouling still remains an issue. Any witness to dog fouling will be asked to report the matter to the clerk.	MN	
99.	<b>COVID 19</b>  The Parish Council still has 5 Facebook Portals available for residents use.		
100.	<b>Great Wolf development</b>  It was agreed with 1 abstention that the Parish Council would write a letter in support of the Great Wolf development opposition at Chesterton.		
101.	<b>Police Counter Closures</b>  There was concern at proposals by Thames Valley Police to close counters in Bicester. The Parish were particularly concerned that this action was an		

	erosion of services currently available to rural communities. The Clerk was asked to express the council's concern to the Police and Crime Commissioner.		
102.	<b>Parish Council bank account</b>  The council agreed to proceed with an application to move their bank account to the Co-op bank to facilitate online banking.	AD	
103.	<b>Fly tipping</b>  There has been a significant increase in fly tipping around the village, including a large number of Christmas trees and increased litter on verges in Marsh Gibbon Lane. It was agreed that incidents, with photographs, should be sent to the Clerk, who will raise the matter with CDC to try to ensure there is increased electronic surveillance of problem areas. Issues should also be recorded on "Fix my Street".		
104.	<b>Grant Funding</b>  The Council was successful in its application to Cllr Sames's Community Fund for funding to purchase another VAS. It was agreed a further application should be made for a mounting pole, and for the cost of conversion of the existing VAS to solar power. The Clerk was asked to make enquiries about connection into the electricity supply serving the street lights.		
105.	<b>Planning</b>  The Clerk was asked to chase CDC again for a response to the Council's queries about compliance with planning conditions for the traveller site in Widnell Lane. A small group of councillors is preparing a report to CDC on "need".  <u><a href="#">21/00018/F</a></u> Rookery Barn 66 Lower End Single storey extension  Piddington OX25 1QD  <u><a href="#">20/03362/A</a></u> Land NW Of Railway Bridge Phase 2 of the Blackthorn & <u><a href="#">DJ</a></u> Piddington Road Ludgershall Piddington railway embankment  Buckingham Outside Of stabilisation scheme Area (installation of sheet piles to provide embankments)	AD/Cllrs	
106.	Rookery Farm application – to be circulated		

	Embankment works – no objection.		
107.	<b>Highways</b> Councillors agreed to remind residents to report issues concerning the state of the roads to Cllr Sames, ideally with photographs	<b>AD</b>	
108.	<b>Police</b> There is a virtual Facebook group dealing with rural policing issues.	<b>KH</b>	
109.	<b>Circulated Between Meetings:</b> OALC Update	AD	
110.	<b>Any Other Business: (for discussion)</b> None.		
111.	The meeting closed at 8.30pm.		
112.	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b> 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 7.30pm	AD	

Piddington Parish Council			Monthly Financial Report	
			Parish Council Meeting	19 January 2021
Payments processed since last meeting				£980.56
	17-Nov-20	CDC	100490	£480.48
	17-Nov-20	Countrywide grounds	100491	£184.99
	17-Nov-20	ARG	100492	£22.15
	17-Nov-20	Mrs a Davies	100493	£255.54
	17-Nov-20	HMRC	100494	£37.40
Receipts processed since previous report				£0.00
Bank Reconciliation			Statement dated	31 December 2020
		Savings Account		£6,047.22
		Current account		£9,675.54
Items not yet cleared:				
	Receipts	None		
	Payments	None		
			Net Total	<b>£15,722.76</b>

