

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF PIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL held on 15th March 2022

		Action	By date
	<p>Present: Cllr P Feltbower, Cllr M Terzino, Cllr H Culley, Cllr T Wills, Cllr J Keel and Cllr M Newbury</p> <p>Via Zoom: Cllr M Nixon</p> <p>Apologies: Cllr D Hughes (CDC)</p> <p>Also Present: Cllr C Miller (OCC) and 2 members of the public.</p>		
	<p>Public Participation The Parish Council was reminded that there were 2 training defibrillators in the resilience shed at the Village Hall. The Council agreed to a request that these were made available to the local Search and Rescue team, who, in return, agreed to advise the clerk should the consumables on the defibrillator go out of date.</p>		
118.	<p>Declarations of Interest Cllr Terzino as a member of the Village Hall Committee.</p>	all	
119.	<p>Minutes The Minutes of the meeting of 15th February 2022 were agreed as drawn.</p>	clerk	
120.	<p>Councillor's report. Cllr Miller updated the meeting on current OCC issues, including the fact that the consultation on the Transport Strategy and the Special Educational Needs would be ending shortly. OCC have now agreed that the lease of Stratfield Brake in Kidlington will proceed, and county catering will be limited to plant based foods.</p> <p>Cllr Wills confirmed that she had now read the Pre-Condition Survey for Lower End prior to the Network Rail work, and asked what OCC's next steps were as the road was showing signs of deterioration.</p>		

	Cllr Miller agreed to chase for answers to concerns raised about weight limit signage, and he reminded the Parish Council about local road closures.																																		
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122.	<p>Power Outage debrief</p> <p>The Parish had recently suffered a long power outage during Storm Eunice and thanks were expressed to Cllr Terzino and other residents involved in opening up the Village Hall and organising the functioning of the village's generator. However the purpose of the discussion was to clarify what went well and what could have been improved.</p> <p>One of the most important actions identified was the need to communicate to the village that the outage was expected to last for some time and therefore the Village Hall would be opened for residents needing heating and light</p>																																		

	<p>refreshments.</p> <p>It was agreed that notices would be put up on the village noticeboards, and the availability of the Village Hall as the emergency hub would be communicated to all residents.</p> <p>The Council agreed that the Emergency Plan Committee should be re convened and Cllr Newbury agreed to become a member of this group. The Committee will consider, in the light of recent experience, what additional equipment is required both for a power outage and other emergency situations, such as flooding, including the possibility of another generator, and make an application to SSE for additional support from the resilience fund.</p> <p>The Parish Council noted that the Village hall is considering whether solar panels on the roof is a viable option.</p>		
123.	<p>Litter pick</p> <p>A resident has offered to organise the litterpick, and the parish will try to tidy up the ground around the noticeboards.</p>		
124.	<p>Seven Stars</p> <p>CDC have now triggered the 6 month moratorium on the sale of the 7 Stars. A group is looking at options to purchase it.</p>		
125.	<p>Allotments</p> <p>There is one allotment vacant. There are still problems over the accuracy of the water bills. The clerk was asked to raise the matter with Andy Hughes, chief executive of Water Plus.</p> <p>Requests for rent for the year 2022/23 will be sent out shortly.</p>	TW/KH	
126.	<p>Jubilee Reserve</p>	AD/MT	

	<p>The Clerk was asked to check the specification for the new gate, and also ask for a padlock to be put on the closure. Subject to this confirmation the quote for the new gate was agreed in the sum of £230.00</p> <p>There is evidence that owners using the Jubilee Reserve are, once again, not clearing up after their dogs.</p>		
127.	<p>Embankment</p> <p>The Chairman was asked to request Murphy's assistance with the cutting of the allotment hedge, and also to enquire whether they had any spare stones when he next meets with them.</p>		
128.	<p>VAS/Speeding traffic.</p> <p>The Clerk has received overwhelming support from residents for the village to become a 20mph zone.</p>	AD	
129.	<p>Grass cutting contract</p> <p>The current and former contractors have been approached to quote for the village grass cutting, but no quote has been forthcoming. The Clerk was asked to approach Mr Cross, a local contractor, to see if he was interested as his work was highly recommended.</p> <p>The Council has received correspondence about the churchyard, and the clerk was asked to clarify what work was required.</p>		
130.	<p>Village gates</p> <p>The Parish Council agreed to the total cost of purchase and installation of UPVC gates at the entry points by Pocket Park/Lower End and the Ludgershall Road.</p>		
131.	<p>Widnell lane</p> <p>The Clerk has reported activity on site to CDC.</p>		

132.	<p>Planning</p> <p><u>22/00607/F</u> Wisteria House</p> <p>55 Lower End, Piddington, Oxfordshire OX25 1QD</p> <p>Erection of a single storey barn to house land management machinery</p> <p>No Objection</p> <p><u>22/00173/CL</u> 15 Arncott Road, Piddington OX25 1PS</p> <p>Certificate of Lawful Use Proposed for erection of a wooden works dog grooming services</p> <p>The Parish Council believes the property has only just been vacated and does not have any evidence that this use has continued as required.</p>		
133.	<p>Jubilee Celebrations</p> <p>The Parish Council agreed to contribute £300 towards the cost of the jubilee celebrations, and suggested the organising committee considered a cream tea for house bound residents. CDC have also agreed a grant towards the overall cost.</p>		
134.	<p>Highways</p> <p>As raised with Cllr Miller.</p>	AD	
135.	<p>Police</p>	KH	
136.	<p>Circulated Between Meetings:</p> <p>OALC Updates</p>	AD	
137.	<p>The meeting closed at 9.45 pm.</p>		
118.	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>19th April 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.</p>	AD	

Piddington Parish Council			Monthly Financial Report	
			Parish Council Meeting	15 February 2022
Payments processed since last meeting				£1,008.42
	19-Jan-22	PVH	b/P	£64.75
	19-Jan-22	Community first	B/P	£55.00
	19-Jan-22	Countrywide	B/P	£369.98
	19-Jan-22	mrs a davies	B/P	£413.09
	19-Jan-22	HMRC	B/P	£100.60
	31-Jan-22	HSBC		£5.00
Receipts processed since previous report				£0.00
Bank Reconciliation			HSBC Statement dated	12 February 2022
		Unity Trust Account (at 18/9/21)		£15,417.40
		HSBC Savings Account		£0.04
		HSBC Current account		£190.32
Items not yet cleared:				
	Receipts	None		
	Payments	cancelled		£0.00
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			Net Total	<u>£15,607.76</u>