

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF PIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL held on 20th June 2023

		Action	By date
	<p>Present: Cllr M Nixon, Cllr M Newbury, Cllr M Terzino, Cllr P Feltbower, Cllr T Wills</p> <p>Apologies:</p> <p>Also Present: Cllr C Miller (OCC), Cllr G Coton (CDC).</p>		
32	<p>Declarations of Interest Cllrs Terzino and Newbury as members of the Village Hall Committee.</p>	all	
33	The Parish Council noted with great sadness the sudden death of former Parish Clerk Morwen Ashton, and sent its condolences to her family.		
34	<p>Minutes The Minutes of the meeting of 16th May 2023 were agreed as drawn.</p>	clerk	
35	<p>Councillors' reports.</p> <p>Cllr Miller advised the meeting that OCC are currently consulting on proposals to move the Oxford United Football Stadium to the Triangle at Kidlington, and on OCC's plans for providing support to carers.</p> <p>The next meeting of the Ray Valley Forum will be on 29th June in Murcott Village Hall.</p> <p>He suggested a request for support in clearing the Piddington brook should be made to the Forum, and confirmed he had no update on repairs to the bridge at Lower End and on the availability of the Community bus.</p> <p>He agreed to update Councillors on OCC's verge cutting progress, and advised Councillors that a resolution of the Station Road crossing is likely to be developed once the EW Rail Line is extended towards Cambridge.</p> <p>Cllr Coton confirmed that the CDC Executive is now formed by the minority Conservative group on the Council. The CDC Local Plan will be considered by the Scrutiny Committee during August and should be out for consultation in September 2023. She is currently waiting for an update on the 7 Stars planning application.</p>		

36	<p>Finance</p> <p>The Council noted the current position with regard to the Council's financial position, and agreed the following payments: -</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="300 344 1246 539"> <tr> <td data-bbox="300 344 616 383">HMRC</td> <td data-bbox="616 344 932 383">clerk tax</td> <td data-bbox="932 344 1246 383">£55.40</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="300 383 616 421">A Davies</td> <td data-bbox="616 383 932 421">salary</td> <td data-bbox="932 383 1246 421">£244.86</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="300 421 616 459">PVH</td> <td data-bbox="616 421 932 459">room hire</td> <td data-bbox="932 421 1246 459">£14.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="300 459 616 539">M and J Cross</td> <td data-bbox="616 459 932 539">grass</td> <td data-bbox="932 459 1246 539">£522.00</td> </tr> </table>	HMRC	clerk tax	£55.40	A Davies	salary	£244.86	PVH	room hire	£14.00	M and J Cross	grass	£522.00	clerk	
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37	<p>Village Matters</p>														
a	<p>Pocket Park</p> <p>The proposal to create a memorial garden at Pocket Park has been discussed with the Church Wardens of the parish church. The parish will now seek professional help with an appropriate design.</p> <p>The Parish Council also needs to investigate information about title deeds to its land.</p>	TW													
b	<p>Allotments</p> <p>2 allotments are not currently let, and monies from allotment rents are to be banked. The Parish Council accepted the quote for work to be done to the hedge and the Clerk was asked to investigate the availability of trees from the Woodland Trust.</p>														
c	<p>Jubilee Reserve</p> <p>Another quote for work at the Jubilee Reserve is awaited. The Council noted that the cut grass left on the sports field had deteriorated during the recent wet weather, and it was agreed that the grass cutting contractor should also be asked to rake the cut grass, as necessary.</p>	AD/MT													
d	<p>G/T site/s</p> <p>The clerk reported apparent activity on this site to CDC, who had asked to be made aware of any further issues.</p>														
e	<p>Graveyard</p> <p>The Parish Council has asked the Contractors to add the Churchyard to their maintenance schedule, and is awaiting a quote for the repair of one tomb where brickwork is damaged.</p>														

f.	<p>Village Hall freehold.</p> <p>The Village Hall Committee has had an initial discussion with CDC about acquiring the freehold of the land on which the hall is built. An update is expected in September.</p>		
38	<p>Planning</p> <p>None.</p>		
39	<p>Highways</p> <p>The Clerk will remind the OCC Footpath Officer of the outstanding invitation to visit the village and inspect the footpaths.</p>	AD	
40	<p>Police</p> <p>The details of the next police forum will be circulated when available.</p>		
41	<p>Circulated Between Meetings:</p> <p>OALC and CDC Updates</p>	AD	
42	<p>Any Other business.</p> <p>None.</p>	AD	
43	<p>The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.</p>		
44	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>18th July 2023 at 7.30pm</p>	AD	