

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council held in Piddington Village Hall on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at 7.30pm**

**Attendance - Chairman - Mr T Willett, Cllrs Mr P Brown, Mr S Digby, Mr O May, Mrs W Pitcher.**

**Buckinghamshire Councillor – Cllr D Hayday.**

**Clerk – Mrs H Glasgow.**

**Members of the public: 0.**

285.1 Public & Buckinghamshire Councillor Questions

Cllr Hayday reported that he continues to chase Buckinghamshire Council re the vegetation that needs to be cut back on the A40. The junctions are now quite dangerous due to poor visibility.

The lorry and the car that were reported near The Dashwood have now been removed.

There is a plan to put a cycle path between Stokenchurch and West Wycombe and it is due to go to public consultation in winter 2024.

285.2 Attendance and acceptance of apologies for absence.

Cllrs J Day & J Smith. Buckinghamshire Councillor O Hayday.

285.3 Declaration of disclosable pecuniary interests relating to items on the agenda.

None.

285.4 To confirm the Minutes of the June 2023 Meeting.

Council confirmed the minutes to be a true and accurate record. The Chairman signed the minutes.

285.5 Clerk's report and Correspondence.

**Clerks Report**

1. I have purchased and fitted a new padlock on the gate at Piddington Rec Ground.
2. The owner of the car parking outside the vehicle access gates to Piddington Rec has been asked not to park in front of the gates, access is required at all times.
3. Council asked The Clerk to purchase a sign stating 'access required at all times' and install on the gate at Piddington Rec.
4. There will be no meeting in August. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023.
5. Cllr Digby contacted the Parishioner re the wild flowers on the A40.
6. Cllr Digby contacted the Parishioner re the hedge near the Dashwood Arms.
7. The hedge Princes Street has been cut back.
8. Updated the AED unit info on the online system.
9. Updated the website and facebook page.
10. Completed the previous online payments.
11. Checked the AED unit.
12. Issues can be reported at [www.fixmystreet.com](http://www.fixmystreet.com) or using the app FixMyStreet.

**Correspondence Received** - If Councillors would like a copy of any of the documents listed below please advise the clerk

1. News for Town and Parish Councils from Buckinghamshire Council
2. Latest News from the Chilterns AONB
3. Join the plastic pollution solution revolution!
4. Berks, Bucks and Oxon Wildlife Trust
5. LNRS Webinar

6. Celebrating 70 years of safer school crossings
7. Working together to tackle anti-social behaviour
8. Changes to country park car park charges
9. An update from Martin Tett, Leader of Buckinghamshire Council
10. Police & Crime Bulletin June '23 - Road safety motorbikes, custody visitors
11. Electoral Registration – are your details up to date?
12. Code of Conduct Civility & Respect Seminar – September 7th at 10am
13. Play Streets scheme encourages children to discover the joys of outdoor play
14. Top of the class! – Winners of Buckinghamshire Schools Awards revealed
15. Buckinghamshire welcomes news of national investment in creative industries
16. Buckinghamshire Council launches 'Clean Up Our Air' initiative

## 285.6 Finances

### Approval of the income and expenditure July 23

Clerks Salary	£602.88	
BC Pension	£232.81	
HMRC	£156.03	
Expenses	£36.85	Fuel / Padlock
Wheeler End Association	£300.00	Donation
Piddington Village Hall	£450.00	Donation
TBS Hygiene	£93.00	Environmental Waste
Buckland Landscapes	£465.50	Grass Cutting
HSBC (dd)	£5.00	Banking charge
Income	£0.00	
Opening Balance 08/06/23	£27,783.74	
Less approved Expenditure	£1,670.11	
Income	£0.00	
Total as at 05/07/23	£26,108.63	

## 285.7 Football facilities at Piddington Recreational Ground

Downley Dynamos Football Team have put forward a proposal to use Piddington Recreational ground for some training sessions. Council would like more information on the proposal, and it was agreed that Cllr Brown will speak to a representative from the Downley Dynamos. The Clerk will liaise with WWPC re their arrangement with Downley Dynamos. To be discussed again at a future meeting.

## 285.8 Grass Cutting

It was noted that the hedge on Princes Street has not been cut this year by the contractors. Volunteers recently cut the hedge adjoining Princes Street.

The Clerk will email Buckland Landscapes and ask them to cut the inside and top of the hedge bordering Princes Street. As per the contract the hedge should be cut twice per year in June and October.

Cllr Smith has emailed Buckland Landscapes re the damage to the football goals from recent grass cuts.

## 285.9 Website - Discussion deferred.

## 285.10 Planning Applications – None.

## 285.11 Members Questions and statements.

Cllr Brown will install the basketball net at Piddington Rec.

There is an issue with parking at the Dashwood with cars parking on the corners when busy. Cllr Brown will discuss this with the landlord.

Cllr Digby reported he met with a Parishioner re the grass/wildflowers.

There is a working party meeting arranged for next week re Chipps Hill. The group will establish a strategy for managing Chipps Hill.

There are wild orchids growing in the wildflower area near the Dashwood Arms.

The gullies are still blocks on Dashwood Hill. Cllr Hayday will contact Buckinghamshire Council again. Clerk to find out when the next Community Ownership Fund applications can be submitted.

285.12 Date of next meeting

To confirm the next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023 in Piddington Village Hall. There will be no meeting in August.

The Chairman closed the meeting at – 20.27

Signed..... Dated.....