

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council held in Piddington Village Hall on Tuesday 13th December 2022 at 7.30pm

Attendance - Acting Chairman - Mr P Brown, Cllrs Mr J Smith, Mr T Willett.

Buckinghamshire Councillor – Cllr D Hayday.

Clerk – Mrs H Glasgow.

Members of the public: 2.

278.1 Public Questions

A Parishioner asked if the PC were putting the Christmas Tree lights up on the tree this year. Cllr Brown will liaise with Cllr May.

A Parishioner asked in the grit bin could be refilled on Wellfield Road/Princes Street. Cllr Hayday will action this.

A Parishioner asked if a mirror could be installed on Chipps Hill. As people cross the road by the Dashwood Public House it can be difficult to see and is quite dangerous because of the position of the road. Cllr Hayday advised that Buckinghamshire Council will not install road mirrors and have advised that they will take them down.

A Parishioner raised concerns re Speed though the village. This is particularly a problem on Wellfield Road, going up King Street and Princes Street. The Clerk will put a post on the Facebook Page and contact the community speed watch officer re attending a PC meeting to talk about how the community speed watch scheme works.

278.2 Attendance and acceptance of apologies for absence.

Apologies accepted from Cllr Digby, May, Day & Pitcher. Cllr Orshi Hayday.

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

None.

278.4 To confirm the Minutes of the November 2022 Meeting.

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

278.5 Clerk's report and Correspondence.

1. Contacted the utility companies re land searches for gas and electric before the play equipment was installed. Agreements were provided.
2. The new swing set has been installed by the contractor.
3. A Parishioner contacted me to say that the inclusive swing is very high and difficult to lift a child into it. I contacted Playdale and they advise that the swing has been installed to safety standards and that is the recommended height. Council asked the Clerk not to pay the invoice for the moment until confirmation that the swing has been placed at the correct height has been received. The Clerk will contact Playdale again and Cllr Hayday will ask BC to inspect the swing.
4. The green rope net that we managed to save from the climbing frame was unfortunately unable to be fitted as the fitting has seized and the contractor from Playdale couldn't get them undone. The a new climbing rope net has been ordered and is due to be installed shortly.
5. I have questioned the cost for the removal of the very small amount of waste. The rep from Playdale advised that we would be charged £429.00 for a skip, however no skip was provided. Playdale have advised this is the minimum amount they charge to remove waste from the site whether a skip was required or not.
6. There was a problem with the office server and therefore some emails may have been missed. If I haven't replied please re-send the emails.
7. Ordered and received the basketball net, this can be fitted.
8. Arranged for a bouquet of flowers to be delivered to a Parishioner that help provide refreshments at the Plaque unveiling. The Parishioner always helps at community events, and we wanted to portray our thanks.
9. Updated website with various topics.
10. Updated the Facebook page.

11. Checked the AED unit and updated this on circuit.
12. Have advised Buckland Landscapes that Jason is the new contact re grass cutting.
13. Paid in cheques to the bank - allotment income.
14. The Parish Council will discuss the precept at the January meeting.

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

1. Community Boards Cost of Living Update
2. Improvements to play areas across Buckinghamshire
3. Can you offer a spare room in your home for a Ukraine guest?
4. Bucks residents encouraged to Shop Local this Christmas
5. Free festive fun for families with Buckinghamshire's Holiday Activity & Food programme
6. New gully cleansing programme in Bucks over two-thirds complete
7. Bank Holiday bin collections across Buckinghamshire
8. Chilterns Conservation Board news
9. United in support to end violence against women and girls
10. #Beconsiderate – motorists encouraged to think about pedestrian safety when parking by schools
11. Bucks, Berks and Oxford Wildlife Trust
12. Community Matters update
13. Hot Meal Toolkit – Bucks Council
14. Proud of Bucks Awards
15. News for Town and Parish Councils from Buckinghamshire Council
16. An update from Martin Tett, Leader of Buckinghamshire Council
17. Buckinghamshire Council reacts to Autumn Statement
18. Bucks Council - Help us develop a future vision for our libraries!
19. Thames Valley communities asked for views on policing and crime

278.6 Finances

Approval of the income and expenditure November 2022

Playdale Playgrounds	£3259.20	Deposit for play equipment (paid)
Clerks Salary	£871.03	
BC Pension	£358.55	
HMRC	£236.25	
Expenses	£562.95	Fuel, office rent, flowers, basket ball net
RBL Lane End Branch	£17.00	Donation
Playdale Playgrounds	£3259.20	Final payment for play equipment
Playdale Playgrounds	£598.39	Repairs
Playdale Playgrounds	£203.52	Vertical rope
Buckland Landscapes	£465.50	Grass cutting

Income	£90.00	Allotment rents
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Opening Balance – 03/11/22	£34,590.85
Less approved Expenditure	£1,916.07
Less expenditure paid as above	£3,259.20
Less Banking Charge	£5.00
Income	£90.00
Total as at 07/12/22	£29,500.58

278.7 Parish Council Strategy – Promote and support community assets and events.

A Parish Council Strategy had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Brown will add an events section.

On this basis the Parish Council Strategy was adopted and once finalised the Clerk will add this to the website.

Adding events – Pete, approved based on that. Put on website.

278.8 Emergency Plan

Cllr Willet will contact all the people current people in the emergency Plan to check they still want to be in it. Cllr Willet has also added some new contacts.

The finalised plan will be put forward at the January meeting to be approved.

278.9 Chipps Hill – Management Plan

Cllr agreed to defer this and the Clerk will ask Cllr Digby to draft a management plan that can be discussed at the January meeting.

278.10 To consider new planning applications

None.

278.11 Members Questions and Statements

Cllr Willet reported that there was a piece re the memorial service at the war memorial in the Bucks Free Press.

278.12 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 10th January 2023, Piddington Village Hall.

The Chairman closed the meeting at – 19.59.

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