

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council held in Piddington Village Hall on Tuesday 8th October 2024 at 7.30pm

Attendance - Chairman – Mr S Digby, Mrs T Gray, Miss A Pitcher, Mrs W Pitcher, Mr T Willett.

Buckinghamshire Councillor – D Hayday, D Barnes.

Clerk – Mrs H Glasgow.

Members of the public: 0 .

298.1 Attendance and acceptance of apologies for absence.
Apologies received from Cllr P Brown, Buckinghamshire Councillor O Hayday.

298.2 Declaration of disclosable pecuniary interests relating to items on the Agenda.
None.

298.3 Public and Buckinghamshire Councillors Question Time.
Cllr D Barnes reported that in May 2025 the ward boundaries will change. Piddington will be linked with West Wycombe and Lane End.
Cllr D Hayday reported that he recently undertook a community litter pick and collected quite a few gas canisters.

298.4 To confirm the Minutes of the September Full Parish Council Meeting.
Council confirmed the minutes to be a true and accurate record. The Chairman signed the minutes.

298.5 Clerks Report and Correspondence.

Clerks Report

1. I have ordered a poppy wreath from the Royal British Legion. Cllr Simon Digby will lay the wreath on Remembrance Sunday at Wheeler End Memorial.
2. We have received our certificate of Merit from the Buckinghamshire Best Kept Village Competition.
3. Register of Interests forms sent to Cllrs - Town & Parish Council reminder September 2024
4. Cllr Gray will be completing regular checks of Piddington Recreational Ground.
5. I have advertised the Parish Council vacancy on the noticeboards and social media.
6. The deposit for the new basket swing has been paid. Installation will be on 14th October. The Clerk will write to the adjoining house owner to state that access to the vehicle gate is required at all times.
7. Cllr A Pitcher will check with the WW Estate re their understanding regarding the vehicle access gate at Piddington Rec.
8. I have started to send the allotment rent invoices to tenants, along with letters re uncultivated plots.
9. All online banking payments have been completed.
10. Checked the AED unit.
11. Issues can be reported at www.fixmystreet.com or using the app FixMyStreet.
12. Meeting Dates for 2024 - Meetings are at 7.30pm in Piddington Village Hall

12th November

10th December

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

1. Thames Valley Police Alert – Pet Microchip Registration
2. Buckinghamshire Council - New launchpad for innovative companies at Westcott
3. Buckinghamshire Council - Showcase event turns the spotlight on the space sector in Bucks

4. Police and Crime Bulletin – Sept 24
5. Gallagher – Community Matters
6. Thames Valley Police sign new agreement with Neighbourhood Watch
7. NWC Community Board - Future Proof Home and Business Event 19.10.24
8. Thames Valley Police – Trading Standards Newsletter
9. Buckinghamshire Council – New Home Upgrade
10. Save the Date, 28th Oct - Buckinghamshire Highways Stakeholder Conference
11. Chiltern National Landscapes
12. Bucks taxi applicant refused licence due to poor driving standard
13. Household Recycling Centres switch to winter opening hours
14. Buckinghamshire Council responds to Government consultation on planning proposals
15. Be active on the school run
16. An update from Martin Tett, Leader of Buckinghamshire Council
17. News for Town & Parish Councils from Buckinghamshire Council
18. Shape Buckinghamshire's updated taxi licensing policy
19. Bucks Waste Busters: Call for volunteers
20. Tell us how we can help everyone in Buckinghamshire to age healthily
21. Tribute to the Chair of the Thames Valley Police and Crime Panel who passed away last weekend
22. Latest news from Buckinghamshire Libraries
23. Electric Vehicle Chargers in the Town/Parish
24. Council launches campaign to support men's mental fitness
25. Could you get pension credit
26. Trading Standards newsletter
27. Domestic Abuse is everyone's business

298.6 Finance - Approval of the invoices submitted.

Confidential payments	£1,051.91	Employee salary/HMRC/Pension
Expenses	£9.00	Fuel
Shield Maintenance	£64.99	Dog waste bins
E&R Meakes	£348.00	Repairs for multi-use games area
Buckland Landscapes	£432.05	Grass cutting
Banking charge	£5.00	Business banking charge
Opening Balance 05/09/24	£19,489.23	
Less approved Expenditure	£1905,95	
Income	£13,789.38	
Total as at 01/10/24	£26,050.31	

298.7 Expenditure against Budget Report

The report covers expenditure between April to September. The total expenditure is £17,680.02. Income received is £30,410.91 for the precept payments and an allotment rent.

298.8 Issues listed on Fix My Street.

Cllr Willett updated the issues currently pending on the report.

298.9 Projects for the coming year

None.

298.10 Playground arrangement with Downley Dynamos.

The Parish Council agreed that the arrangement has gone well over the last year. It was agreed that improvements were needed re communication from Downley Dynamos, grass cutting and the goal posts to be left out during the summer months.

Downley Dynamos have agreed going forward they will cut the whole of Piddington Rec. Cllr Digby will contact our current grass cutting contractor. It was agreed to leave the bank to grow.

298.11 Planning Applications – None.

298.12 Matters raised by Councillors.

Cllr Willett will check Councillor email addresses to ensure these are working correctly.

Cllr Gray will carry out the weekly rec ground checks. The Clerk will email an inspection sheet.

It was reported that someone was recently playing golf on Wheeler End Common.

The Christmas lights will be switched on 1st December. Cllr Digby will install the battery pack in Piddington and Cllr Willett will do so in Wheeler End.

Cllr Digby has applied for a Tree of Hope.

The Chiltern Rangers are offering a scheme 'The Rebel Rangers'. Cllr Digby will consider if the Council has any projects they could undertake.

Cllr Digby will invite Emma Reynolds, MP to a future meeting.

296.12 Date of next meeting – **Tuesday 12th November 2024, Piddington Village Hall.**

The Chairman closed the meeting at – 20.06.

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