

TIDDINGTON WITH ALBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the monthly meeting of Tiddington with Albury Parish Council at the Village Hall on
Tuesday 9th January 2024 at 7.30pm.

Present – Mrs V Baker - Chair (VB), Mrs Tracey Smith- Vice Chair (TS), Mrs L Martin - Clerk (LM), Mrs R Stogden (RS), Mr K Field (KF), Mr R Chaplin (RC), Mr C Hill (CH)

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215. Apologies – Councillor Tim Bearder (TB)

216. Declarations of interest - None

217. Approve and sign minutes – Completed

218. Matters to Report - Tim Bearder

- None

219. Neighbourhood Plan / Tiddington Nature Recovery (TNR)

- Work on the background and history of the brook/area has already started
- Meeting with River Thame Conservation Trust on 30th January
- Project plan to be submitted Feb/March meeting
- Grants from the Nature Recovery Fund can be applied for quarterly, next deadline 8th April

220. Councillors' Update of Matters in Hand

220.1 The Fox & Goat – Community Asset Renewal: - ongoing

220.2 Ickford Bridges:

- Waiting for an update from Ickford Parish Council after their meeting
- Try contacting bridges@oxfordshirecountycouncil.org.uk **LM**

220.3 20mph Consultation

- Formal Consultation held on Thursday 16th November DEFFERED implementing 20mph speed limits in Tiddington until the issue of 20mph on the A418 and 30mph on A40 have been resolved. A further formal consultation will be held in March /April with implementation, hopefully in June/July.
- Need to follow up with Andrew Gant. **LM** to email AG again and copy **CH/TB**

220.4 Salt Bins

- All Salt Bins checked by SODC and one on corner of Sandy Lane stood upright.
- New Salt Bin installed along Albury View.
- Post on Facebook to request parishioners to spread salt if they can, sent out - **TS**

220.5 Bench to be installed around tree when drier. **RS/KF**

220.6 Fix My Street

- The drain opposite the proposed new site of the salt bin in Albury View has been mended, need to monitor for next couple of months
- Pavement alongside Notice Board is not deemed bad enough for repair. Report again to SODC

220.7 Installation of posts at Milton Common

- Invoice paid, installation planned for February, weather dependent.

220.8 Spelling of Draycot – change to one T

- Some legal implications that are being investigated further by the GIS Team Leader & Street Naming and Numbering Officer

220.09 Land off A418

- No update on enforcement enquiries

220.10 Ickford Road closure

- Ickford Road to be closed from 16/01/23 to 02/02/24. Signs have been put up in the notice boards and posted on social media.

220.11 School Bus Stop signs

- Pictures to be taken and sent to OCC to request (again) painting of signs on road - **LM**

220.12 Defibrillators

- Batteries and pads checked and in working order. New battery and pad installed in Fox and Goat defibrillator.

220.13 Pollarding of Trees

- Quote to pollard trees - £2,616 inc. VAT. This is not eligible for a Grant from the Nature Recovery Fund.
- Positive feedback from Andy Ledger, OCC. All areas being checked and we will be notified what OCC can do shortly - **TS/KF/RC**.
- Alternative quote being sourced anyway - **RC**

221. Planning

221.1 Planning Applications received:

- **22/S2788/FUL Brimpton Grange Access to Hotel from A40 Milton Common**. Erection of six detached dwellings, creation of vehicular and pedestrian access and associated infrastructure and works.
- Refusal of Planning Permission issued on 9th June 2023, but an Appeal was lodged with Secretary of State on **13th December 2023**. Any additional representations to those already made need to be received by **17th January 2024**
- Based on **CH** original notes when attending the original meeting with **RC, LM** to submit comments to Appeal procedure to reinforce the Parish Councils continual objection to the development. Submitted 12/01/24

221.2 Planning Decisions to be noted:

- **None**

221.3 Planning Decisions Pending (awaiting decision from SODC planning department):

- **P22/S3280/FUL Road Maintenance Depot London Road Milton Common OX9 2JN**. The erection of a single storey office block, maintenance garages and salt barn at the western end of the existing depot site, and the creation of new access and SUDS pond. (As amplified by additional information received 06 October 2022).
Awaiting further amendments – no decision issued

221.4 Planning Appeals in progress:

- **None**

222. Finance

222.1 Applications for routine subscriptions and donations

- None

222.2 Accounts for payment this month

- Administration to the Parish Council (Luci Martin) £366.20

222.3 Invoices approved and signed at the previous meeting under AOB:

- None

222.4 Receipts:

- Interest- 5th December £45.92

222.5 Balances at bank:

- Current Account as of 5th December £50.00
- Deposit Account as of 5th December £37,824.82

223. Bank - set up BACs and 2nd user

- Multiple letters and documents have arrived for each of the authorised signatories.
- Need to set up final details and ensure transfer of monies from Nat West - **LM/TS**

224. Budgets 2024 - 2025

- New draft circulated 04/01/24 – **LM**
 - Need to add more to Insurance/ Notice Board repairs/ Purchasing of table tennis balls and bats - **LM**
 - Amend and recirculate final version - **LM**
- Budgets approved at January meeting – **Councillors**
- Precept stays the same as last few years at £14,000. Form submitted 10/01/24 - **LM**

225. Financial Regulations

- Meeting to investigate requirements to be confirmed – **VB**

226. Standing Orders

- Meeting to investigate requirements to be confirmed – **VB**

227. Newsletter

- Investigating additional revenue and income from current advertising - **TS**

228. Additional Play Equipment in Playground

- New Table Tennis Table ordered for installation in March - **LM**
- **LM** to investigate funding options for:
 - Two benches – 2024/25 budget
 - One picnic table - 2024/25 budget
 - Basket swing – 2024/25 budget
 - New surfacing at goal mouth – 2024/25 budget
 - Possible replacement of existing swings – 2024/25 budget

229. Playground Maintenance

- **RS** checking monthly. December completed

- Benches maintenance in interim to be agreed
- New bark to be ordered to go under existing swings – **KF/TS**
- Removal of old fence and new fencing around play area to commence in February (tbc) including repairs to Fort and cannons plus repainting of green metal bench - **LM**
- Need to put up signs and announce in Feb/ March newsletter - **LM/TS**
- Playground inspection by independent assessor booked. Will turn up between now and end of March – **LM**

230. Community Emergency Plan

- Need to update existing plan. Meeting to be arranged - **VB**
- Received a toolkit and templates from OCC. Revisit in February meeting - **Councillors**

231. Archives, including minutes retention

- Established what can be submitted to Oxford History Centre and now files to be sorted – **LM**

232. Stop the OXCAM ARC

- Letter to be sent from TwA PC regarding the development being contrary to our Neighbourhood Plan, increased traffic in the area and potential impact on flooding. **CH** sent through draft, now to be sent on – **LM**

233. Sewage dispersal into River by Thames Water

- Letter to be sent to Thames Water (copying Tim Bearder) from the PC regarding latest sewage spills into the Thame and surrounding rivers. Also, to ask why measures and data surrounding the Waterstock station are not published - **LM**

234. Correspondence Received Rural Bulletin, Rural Services Network, Public Sector Network Newsletter, Thames Valley Alerts, Citizen Advice, Neighbourhood Watch newsletter, CommunityFirst, Wheatley Parish Council Newsletter, Haseleys Newsletter plus other general correspondence - circulated

SODC general communications - circulated

OCC general communication - circulated

OALC general communications - circulated

AOB:

Flooding/Drains

- Given the flooding and drainage issues arising from the recent heavy rains, the following actions were agreed on by the PC:
 - Email our local councillor (**TB**) for South Oxfordshire District Council & Oxfordshire County Council asking for his help in getting the drains cleaned and dredged - **LM**
 - Send letters to appropriate landowners to ask them to clean out the ditches on or boarding their land - **LM/TS**
 - Put the request on Fix My Street, again! **LM/TS**
 - Directly email our contact at Oxfordshire County Council with the same request to clean and dredge the drains showing them your pictures and those of others who were flooded last week – **LM**
 - Write to both parishioners affected with proposed actions and support – **LM/CH**

Next meeting: Tuesday 13th February 2024 at 7.30pm, Tiddington Village Hall