

# TIDDINGTON WITH ALBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Councillors are hereby summoned to the Parish Council Meeting of Tiddington with Albury Parish Council at the **Village Hall** on **Tuesday 9th December 2025 at 7.30pm**

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## PUBLIC FORUM

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### 145. Apologies:

### 146. Approve and sign minutes

### 147. Matters to Report

**147.1** County Councillor – Judith Edwards (**JE**)

**147.2** District Councillor - Tim Bearder (**TB**)

### 148. Flooding/Drainage:

- Sandy Lane road (near Willow Spring Farm) has been repaired, but this will be temporary as the spring is still running over it. Further inspection due 15/16th December
- Update on next actions from Section 19 report:
  - ***“Refresh and improve community awareness, resilience and preparation for flooding, including production of community emergency plan”*** – Parish Council to produce a Community Emergency Plan, complete with supporting information from Joint Oxfordshire Resilience Team’s (JORT) webpage - **ALL**
  - ***“Support community flood groups and flood warden activities with additional training and materials.”*** – Parish Council to implement a Flood Warden scheme with training and guidance documents for the volunteers. OCC will support us in that - **ALL**
  - ***“Property flood resilience (PFR) measures which improve the resilience of the community before a flood occurs.”*** – Useful information on PFR is available via the [Flood Toolkit](#) - **ALL**
  - ***“Explore options for natural flood management measures in upper catchment”*** – OCC have contacted SODC for an update on this recommendation as they are the lead stakeholder - **OCC/SODC**

### 149. Neighbourhood Plan / Nature Recovery

- Neighbourhood Plan - The government will not fund anything to do with NP in future. TWAPC review is due in 2026 so will need to allocate circa £2,000 in 2026/27 budget - **LM**
- TOE (Trust for Oxfordshire's Environment) visited Sandy Lane Farm on 15/10/24 to discuss introducing some funding for ponds on the site. However, farm owners want to use the pond for irrigation purposes as well which TOE will not fund. Team to discuss possibility of a second pond on the Farm or in the wet area on Lower Chilcott Farm - **CH**
- The TNR team has submitted a proposal which includes working with RTC and gaining volunteers to help out. The plan includes the use of the £1,000 grant from 24/25 financial

year from SODC Community Councillor Grants. District Grant application to be submitted by 05/12/25 - **CH/LM**

- Meeting held with Ryan from Oxfordshire Tree Planning on 31/07/25 who advised planting 10 trees along Fernhill Close. Councillors thought that seemed excessive and questioned the quantity & type of trees. More will be known at planting - **CH**

## **150. Councillors' Update of Matters in Hand**

### **150.1 Ickford Bridges**

- Permissions and discussions are underway with the Environmental Agency, Historic England (both bridges are Grade II listed) and Bucks CC. Work is due in Spring 2026 - **LM**
- The PC were notified of the removal of some hedgerows along either side of the Oxfordshire bridge by SODC, currently with Highways to schedule in.
- The Tiddington end of the bridge wall has been badly damaged and seems to be getting worse. Reported again on FMS and directly to the Structural Engineering team at OCC - **LM**

### **150.2 20mph Consultation**

- There will be a review of the impact of 20mph restrictions in due course (probably 2026) and Tiddington may get more support after this is completed
- The Parish could conduct its own Community Speed Watch programme, if sufficient volunteers were available. There could be a possibility of access to a shared SID, investigate further - **LM**
- Possibility of speed bumps was raised by a Parishioner, PC to evaluate, especially with increased traffic flow from Ickford due to new houses – **LM/JE**

### **150.3 Fix My Street**

- Bottom of Albury Lane, drains still blocked, some work done but ineffectual, report again - **RS**
- Potholes & worn-out road on A40, Milton Common reported, some repaired, report again - **LM**
- Damaged wall on Ickford Bridges - **LM**
- Weeds blocking the drains on A418 - **LM**
- Railway Bridge, Albury Road - cracks appear to be getting worse. Report on FMS - **RS/JR**

### **150.4 Defibrillators**

- Defibrillators at Village Hall and F&G fully operational

### **150.5 Installation of Ultrafast Broadband – Gigaclear**

- No formal date for the service to go live, believed to be before the end of the year

### **150.6 Dog fouling bins**

- We can get closed bins into the play area and along Albury View & move one of the bins by the far gate, but we need to pay for them. SODC will continue to empty them - **LM**
- Cost for a Maelor Trafflex Round Litter Bin 90L (to match current versions in the Parish and ones used by SODC) is circa £280 plus VAT and installation. So to replace all three, total cost about - £840 plus VAT and installation. Need to investigate alternatives further - **LM**
- Request for dog bin at top of Albury Lane, but the PC need to fund the emptying of it - **LM**

### **150.7 Highways Asset Response Team (HART)**

- Offer to repair various areas we identify. So far identified and agreed: pavement alongside the A40 in Milton Common, pavements in Albury View up the road and along A418.
- Requested quote for PC to fund the repair of the pavement alongside the Notice Board - **LM**

### **150.8 Milton Common - concerns**

- Speed limits along A40 through Milton Common/ speed indicators - look to get a SID, borrow from another Parish and use Road Safety contact at OCC - **LM**
- Bus stops/shelters - The one on the other side of A40 is owned by Great Milton PC. Discuss further at PC meeting - **LM**
- Pedestrian crossing - to discuss further at PC meeting - **LM**

### **150.9 New Road names in Milton Common**

- The following names have been agreed for the new roads on the developments either side of the Belfry Hotel:

- Milton Meadows
- Hunters Place

## 151. Planning

### 151.1 Planning Applications received:

- **P25/3537/HH - Quinton, Sandy Lane, Milton Common:** Proposed single storey extension & fenestration alterations. **Consultation ends: 9th December (requested extension)**
- **P25/S3424/HH - Albury Farmhouse, Draycott:** Orangery and rear lobby extensions. Provision of dormer windows on the main roof. Raising of central flat roof area to main roof. **Consultation ends: 11th December**

### 151.2 Planning Decisions to be noted:

- **P24/S3204/O - 46, Ickford Road:** Replacement of one dwelling with four. **Outline planning permission granted**
- **P25/S3060/HH - Manor Farm, Tiddington:** Alteration to position of consented retaining wall to allow for single parking space at front of property. *Approved*

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

- **P25/S1987/FUL - Solar Farm:** land bordering either side of the M40 near Postcombe and Lewknor Villages OX9 7EG. *Objection* submitted from PC. **Decision date: 20th December 2025**
- **P25/S2016/PIP - Fairview, Old London Road, Milton Common:** Demolition of existing bungalow and replacement with six detached units. *PC Approved*, but with comments. **Decision date now: 24th December**
- **25/02196/AOP - Land East of Worminghall Road, Ickford:** Construction of 68 houses. *PC Objected. Still awaiting decision*
- **P25/S3423/HH - Albury Farmhouse, Draycott:** Demolition of existing garage and provision of replacement garage. *No Objection. Target decision date: 30th December*

### 151.4 Planning Appeals in progress:

- **P23/S2384/O - Jn 8a, M40 Waterstock, Appeal ref: APP/Q3115/W/24/3343775.** Greystoke appeal has *failed* - CH

### 151.5 Planning Consultations:

- None

### 151.6 Planning breaches

- Access gate Albury Lane - Monitor in case of future changes - JR/RS

## 152. Finance

### 152.1 Applications for routine subscriptions and donations

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| a. Citizens Advice Bureau | £100.00 |
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### 152.2 Accounts for payment this month

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| a. Administration to the Parish Council (Luci Martin) | £535.73 |
| b. Hire of Cricket Club for PC meeting                | £60.00  |
| c. Parchments- Newsletter Nov/Dec                     | £295.00 |
| d. Bank charges (18th November)                       | £4.25   |

### 152.3 Invoices approved and signed since the previous meeting

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| a. None |  |
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### 152.4 Receipts:

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| a. Interest on deposit account (10th November) | £23.88 |
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### 152.5 Balances at bank on 6th November:

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| a. Current Account (Lloyds Bank) | £196.14    |
| b. Deposit Account (Lloyds Bank) | £43,618.47 |

**153. 2025/26 Accounts**

- Need to check names on Bank account have been changed to have Rebecca Stodden and Jon Russell as signatories - **TS**
- Need to reclaim VAT for 2024/25 - **TS/LM**

**154. 2025/26 Budgets**

- Budgets to be approved before 15th January 2026, including Precept request. Draft budget circulated 04/12/25 for discussion at meeting - **ALL**

**155. Newsletter**

- For inclusion next edition (submission due 14/01/26): Chairs report, Gigaclear update, Waterstock update, TNR volunteers, Flood Wardens

**156. Playground Maintenance**

- Checked weekly - all forms up to September received - **RS**
- Green bench to be renovated - **TS**
- Big Luke to clean basketball backboard and post, install new net and move goal posts - **LM**
- Started the process for replacing Fort in 2 or 3 years time. Obtaining three quotes to assess the amount of funds required - **LM/RS**
- Need to update all the signage in the playground - **RS/LM**

**157. Standing Orders**

- Meeting to investigate requirements to be confirmed and finalised by end 2025 - **JR**
- Using template from OALC - **JR/LM/TS**
- TS has located old Standing Orders to review alongside new requirements/template and will work with JR to create a system to update and monitor all documentation required by the PC- **TS/JR**

**158. IT Policy**

- IT Policy generated and circulated to councillors - **LM**
- Extensive work required to implement IT policies to include; website accessibility, Assertion 10 (for AGAR next year), cyber security and email hacking - **LM**

**159. Community Emergency Plan**

- Need to update existing plan urgently - **TS/LM**
- Sent latest update 10/07/25 - **TS**
- Received a toolkit and templates from OCC, and offer to help check drafts

**160. Sewage dispersal into River by Thames Water**

- Letter received from Freddie van Mierlo requesting information on: Sewage Leaks, Tankering in the Parish and Bill.
- CH has identified:
  - A major spill at Stone on 10/11 upstream from Tiddington
  - A 2.5-hour spill on 17/11 in Haddenham
  - A 65-hour spill in Wheatley on 14/11
- Email Freddie van Mierlo and JE - **CH/LM**

**161. Correspondence Received:**

- Rural Bulletin, 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:**

**Next Meeting: Tuesday 13th January 2026, Tiddington Village  
Hall at 7.30pm**