

TIDDINGTON WITH ALBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the monthly meeting of Tiddington with Albury Parish Council at the Village Hall on **Tuesday 12th December 2023 at 7.30pm.**

Present – Mrs V Baker - Chair (VB), 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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198. Apologies – Mrs Tracey Smith- Vice Chair (TS), Councillor Tim Bearder (TB)

199. Declarations of interest - None

200. Approve and sign minutes – Completed

201. Matters to Report - Tim Bearder

202. Neighbourhood Plan / Tiddington Nature Recovery (TNR)

202.1 Update on TNR Project

The Parish Council was supportive of what has been done so far and accepted recommendations as follows:

- The Project Plan can form part of the next NP review (2026)
- The draft Project Plan Structure, Vision and Objectives summary is a good basis for further TNR Plan development
- The long term (potentially 30 years) timescale was noted. The idea of a First Phase including water (river/brook/ponds) then hedgerows/trees/woods was accepted as sensible, given limited resources
- Working with landowners makes sense
- The concept of a Nature Recovery Corridor was outlined and, while it needs more definition, is a good idea
- A small amount (£500) has gone into next year's PC budget, in case we have some expenses as plans are developed
- The PC will review the Plan in the New Year.

The Parish Council would like to offer it's thanks to all the Team for getting involve in the Project.

203. Councillors' Update of Matters in Hand

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

203.2 Ickford Bridges: - check response from Ickford PC in December and ask **TB** for more help. **LM**

203.3 20mph Expression of Interest

- Andrew Gant responded to our email but has not contacted CH to arrange site visit
- Formal Consultation on Thursday 16th November, 10am. No response from meeting, yet

203.4 Salt Bins

- All Salt Bins still to be checked by SODC and salt broken up/replaced. Planned for December
- New Salt Bin still to be installed along Albury View. Due December

203.5 Bench to be installed around tree – when it's drier!

203.6 Fix My Street

- The drain opposite the proposed new site of the salt bin in Albury View is continually running. RC is enquiring about who owns the 'Reinstatement' as they are responsible for fixing it.
- Pavement alongside Notice Board is not deemed by SODC as bad enough for repair. Need for everyone to keep reporting it on Fix My Street

203.7 Installation of posts at Milton Common

- Invoice paid, installation planned for February, weather dependent

203.8 Spelling of Draycot

- PC agreed on one T based on 1937 map. **LM** informed the GIS Team Leader & Street Naming and Numbering Officer, who will inform Royal Mail (who are spelling it wrongly). Then the street change process specifies that the District Council must carry out a 28 day consultation for all households affected. Date tbc

203.9 Land off A418

- No update on enforcement enquiries

203.10 Ickford Road closure

- Ickford Road to be closed from 16/01/23 to 02/02/24, but Thames Water start work on 02/01/24. Signs have been put up in the notice boards and posted on social media. Need to send out a reminder after Christmas

203.11 School Bus Stop signs

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

203.12 Defibrillators

- new pads to be ordered and battery checked with CE Medical **TS/LM**

203.13 Pollarding trees along the bank

- Quote from Arbor Tree Specialists - £2,616 was agreed but still need to contact Andy Lederer **TS/RC**
- Need to apply for Nature Recovery Grant (SODC). Deadline 8th Jan. **LM**

204. Planning

204.1 Planning Applications received:

- **P23/S3493/HH**: Single storey rear and side extensions to the existing house - Walters Farm, Sandy Lane, Tiddington OX9 2LE - **Planning Approved**
- **P23/S3278/HH**: Part retrospective proposal for residential annexe ancillary and incidental to principal dwelling- Delavay House, Sandy Lane, Tiddington OX9 2JZ. **Planning Approved**

204.2 Planning Decisions to be noted:

204.3 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**

204.4 Planning Appeals in progress: None at this stage

205. Finance

205.1 Applications for routine subscriptions and donations

a. Oxfordshire Mind	£50.00
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205.2 Accounts for payment this month

a. Administration to the Parish Council (Luci Martin)	£454.10
b. Parchments Nov/Dec newsletter	£325.00

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

205.4 Receipts:

a. Interest- 5 th December 2023	£45.92
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205.5 Balances at bank:

a. Current Account as of 5 th December	£50.00
b. Deposit Account as of 5 th December	£37,824.82

206. Bank - set up BACs and 2nd user

- **LM** sent documents off via Lloyds Bank, Thame on 27th November
- More forms signed by authorised signatories and sent off 13th December

207. Budgets 2024 - 2025

- **LM** circulated draft budget for discussion at December meeting. The following amendments were made:
 - Keep Precept at £14,000, as advised by SODC
 - Reduce CIL income to £2,000
 - Check if any election costs are due in 2024/25
 - Add cost of cleaning bus shelters. **LM** to get quote
 - Add £500 for TNR Project
 - Put new Table Tennis Table and Fencing into 2023/24, and balance of Playground project into 2024/25, in order to access any available Grants. **LM** to investigate
 - Add purchase of 3 bags of bark to 2023/24 estimate
 - **LM** to submit 23/24 CIL reconciliation form by 31/12/23
- **LM** to prepare revised budget for final approval at January meeting, submission date is 15th January

208. Financial Regulations - meeting to investigate requirements to be confirmed - VB

209. Standing Orders - meeting to investigate requirements to be confirmed - VB

210. Newsletter

- **TS** investigating additional revenue and income from current advertising. Invoices to be sent out shortly

211. Additional Play Equipment in Playground

- Final Quotes on purchasing following items approved at PC meeting

- Table tennis table – 2023/24 budget
- Two benches – 2024/25 budget
- One picnic table - 2024/25 budget
- Basket swing – 2024/25 budget
- New surfacing at goal mouth – 2024/25 budget
- Following meeting with Creative Play (equipment provider) it was decided not to pursue new surfacing under existing swings but purchase new bark, at this stage. **KS/RC** to get quotes and purchase 3 bags from Mobbs. To be dropped as close to playground as possible!

210. Playground Maintenance

- **RS** checking monthly
- Benches maintenance in interim to be agreed
- New fencing around play area approved, (also included removal of old fence). **LM** to arrange with Guardian Fencing for Feb/March. Whilst play area is out of use, make repairs to Fort and repaint green metal bench.

211.VAS Installation

- Solgar reduced level at which signal is triggered – remove from agenda

212. 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

213. Community Emergency Plan

- **VH** - Need to update existing plan. Meeting to be arranged

214. Archives, including minutes retention

- **LM** – established what can be submitted to Oxford History Centre and now needs to sort through all the files – Feb/March

AOB:

- STOP the OXCAM ARC to be put on the agenda for 09/01/24
- H1F1 Road Scheme to be circulated to Councillors for information

Next meeting: Tuesday 9th January 2024 at 7.30pm, Tiddington Village Hall