

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 8th October 2024 at 7.30pm.**

Luci Martin, Clerk

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98. Apologies

99. Declarations of interest

100. Approve and sign minutes

101. Matters to Report

101.1 County Councillor – Tim Bearder **(TB)**

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

102. Flooding/Drains

- Major floods throughout the Parish on Monday 23rd September, resulting in many flooded homes and businesses, and the closure of the A418 for hours. For discussion - **ALL**
- To trigger a formal investigation under Section 19, OCC requires more evidence via the Flood toolkit 'Report a Flood form. Everyone contacting the Clerk has been asked to submit one and information also shared on Tiddington page on FaceBook - **LM**
- Drains contact at OCC is Daniel Depp and email asking for update sent 07/02/24, 08/03/24, 26/04/24 and 30/09/24 with no response, despite floods on 23rd September - **LM**

103. Neighbourhood Plan / Nature Recovery

- Update on working group Tiddington Brook Project - **CH**
- Funding for cameras, batteries and memory cards from TOE not available - **CH**
- Apply for funds for Thame River Conservation trust proposal from SODC Community Councillor Grants - **LM**
- Neighbourhood Plan meeting being held on Saturday 12th October 10.30 to 12.30 by ONPA

104. Councillors' Update of Matters in Hand

104.1 The Fox & Goat – Community Asset Renewal

- ongoing - **VH/TS**

104.2 Ickford Bridges

- Ickford Bridges are on the Highways Maintenance Map for 2024/25, probably just structural survey
- Ickford Parish Council received no updates (Sept) - **LM**
- Continue to report on Fix My Street, new photos to be added - **TS/KF**

- Covered on the Highways Engagement Team visit on 19th August, any feedback yet? - **TS/CH**
- 104.3 20mph Consultation**
- Transport Management Meeting held on Thursday 5th September, TB attended on our behalf. Awaiting feedback - **TB**
- 104.4 Bench installed around the tree.**
- Base installed but joints are coming apart and need to investigate what guarantees are in place with supplier (purchased in April 2024) **LM**
- 104.5 Fix My Street**
- Drains around Draycot Corner are blocked, reported as part of Highway visit on 19/08, awaiting feedback **TS/CH**
 - Bottom of Albury Lane, drain blocked, TS and RS to put on FMS **TS/RS**
 - Worn road surface in Sandy Lane, near Spring, included in Highways visit 19/08, and being followed up **TS/CH**
 - Blocked drain 10 Albury View put on FMS by LM, a 'reactive gully cleaning to address the blockage initiated' by OCC
 - Blocked drains in Ickford Road put on FMS by LM, a 'reactive gully cleaning to address the blockage initiated' by OCC
 - Blocked drains in Brookside Close put on FMS by LM, a 'reactive gully cleaning to address the blockage initiated' by OCC
 - Put a request for a Fix My Street Super User in last edition of newsletter, no response - **LM**
- 104.6 Spelling of Draycot – change to one T**
- No update from Royal Mail - **LM**
- 104.7 Unauthorised changes in Parish**
- **Albury Lane - new gate:** awaiting response Enforcement Team, email sent 24/09/24 - **LM**
- 104.8 Defibrillators**
- All three defibrillators operational - **TS**
 - New battery ordered and received for Village Hall defib - **TS**
 - Need stickers with What3words on them to be applied - **TS**
 - newlywed.split.adjusting - Cricket Club
 - tickling.decency.rumble - F&G
 - intricate.panning.limelight - VH
- 104.9 Pollarding of Trees**
- Andy Ledger, OCC contacted & trees on bank assessed on **15/02/24**, now confirmed no action currently required - **TS**
- 104.10 Albury Lane repairs**
- The road remains a restricted by-way, but there is a recognition that it shouldn't be. Will need further dialogue to sort out longer term so it gets on the Highways Asset register - **TB**
- 104.11 Installation of Ultrafast Broadband – Gigaclear**
- Gigaclear hoping to get government sign off mid-October - **LM**
 - The Digital Infrastructure Programme team is giving a webinar/ update for Councils and Councillors on Monday 14th October 19.00 to 20.00. **CH** attending
- 104.12 VAS Sign at Spring Cottage**
- OCC have confirmed they now own the signs and are responsible for repairing them. Order placed with Solagen to fix it. OCC chasing 02/10/24 - **LM**
- 104.13 Road Cleaning kit**
- We have been given a loan of a Road Sign cleaning kit for use by volunteers.
 - Volunteers for Milton Common are planning to use it 02/11
 - We have volunteers for Tiddington too!
 - RC has kit - **RC**

104.14 Milton Common

- The white village gates at MC are falling down and look awful. Approximate replacement cost £2000, apply for SODC Councillors Community Funds - **LM**
- Request by parishioner to plant daffodils on the north side of A40 - completed
- Parishioner organising litter picking session on 2/11/24. Pickers, hi-vis jackets and bags supplied - **TS**

104.15 Oxfordshire County Council Bus Stop data capture exercise

- Request by OCC to capture data on bus stops in our Parish by 29th November - **LM**

104.16 Salt Bins

- Order placed with OCC to refill bin at Draycot Corner, no charge - **LM**

104.17 ROW/ 3324983 Change of footpath No 11

- Inspector agreed that the path can be relocated - **RS**

105. Planning

105.1 Planning Applications received:

- **P24/S2535/HH: The White House Albury View Tiddington:** Planning request for a loft conversion and associated alterations and repairs. Comments made by PC regarding access, ownership and parking. Similar comments also made from two other interested parties.
Decision date: 07/10/24

105.2 Planning Decisions to be noted:

- **P23/S2584/FUL** – Oakfield, Oxford Road. Creation of drives and impact on public footpath appear not to match submitted and approved plans. Request and photos sent to Planning Officer who have passed it to the Enforcement Team
- Parishioner, attending the meeting, clarified the issue and stated “as a Public Footpath it is subject to restrictions and conditions relating to a Field Path which is how that path is officially designated.”
- Parishioner also requested the following statement be included: “Councillor Ken Field said that he had been and measured the footpath and that the width of the footpath is at least a metre wide along its length across the garden.” **NB.** measurement was subsequent to report having been submitted to the Enforcement Team.
- Still waiting response from SODC Enforcement Team

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

- None

105.4 Planning Appeals in progress:

- **P23/S2384/O - Jn 8a, M40 Waterstock, Appeal ref: APP/Q3115/W/24/3343775**
- Appellants name: Greystoke CB Ltd. Appeal start date: 4th June 2024 and representations (Under Rule 6) submitted by 10th July.
- The Inquiry starts on 15/10/24 in Cholsey and will last 16 days. The PC has the opportunity to address the inquiry and has notified the authorities of our intent to do so if a Councillor is available on the appropriate day. Emails sent to the Inspector to endorse Waterstock Parish case who have replied saying Councillor could attend at 10.00 on 15/10/24 - **CH/?**

105.5 Planning Consultations

- TWA Parish Council's response to government's public consultation on a new draft National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) permitting more house building in the Green Belt - **CH**

106. Finance

106.1 Applications for routine subscriptions and donations

- a. Citizens Advice Bureau £100.00

106.2 Accounts for payment this month

a. Administration to the Parish Council (Luci Martin)	£499.73
b. Battery for Village Hall defibrillator	£279.54
c. Newsletter Oct/Nov	£325.00
d. Daffodils for Milton Common	£139.90
e. Moore (external auditors)	£378.00
f. Grass cutting	£942.00

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

- a. none

106.4 Receipts:

a. Interest (no deposit account open)	£0
b. Precept 12/09/24 (Lloyds Bank)	£7,000.00
c. Precept 02/09/24 (Nat West Bank) NB. For use in April 2025	£7,000.00

106.5 Balances at bank (Lloyds Bank):

a. Current Account as of 1st September	£1,304.76
b. Deposit Account (not open)	£0

107. 2023/24 year end accounts

- Questions received from the auditors have been resolved - **LM**

108. 2024/25 accounts

- VAT reclaim to be completed, **ASAP- TS**
- Deposit account to be agreed and opened **ASAP - VB/TS**

109. Budgets 2025/26

- Draft to be prepared for November meeting and approval in December - **LM**

111. Financial Regulations

- New Financial Regulations still to be agreed - **VB/TS**

112. Standing Orders

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

113. Newsletter

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

114 Additional Play Equipment in Playground

- Balls to be put in a bag on a hook under table, bats to be stored in VH - **TS/KF**
- Submission to SODC Capital Funding Grant made on 02/09/24 for:
 - Zip wire
 - Adventure Trail
 - Spinning roundabout
 - Replacement of swings
- Submission to National Lottery Grants for balance of funds required to be submitted 04/10/24 - **LM**
- Decision from SODC is made at the end of February, National Lottery request takes 16 weeks from submission

115. Playground Maintenance

- Checked weekly - need latest forms - **RS**
- List to be followed up - **RS/TS**
- Green bench to be renovated - **TS**
- New basketball net purchased and to be installed - **LM**
- Old picnic tables need to be removed - **TS/RS/KF**
- New area is grassed but lots of weeds are coming up - **ALL**
- Orange netting to be returned to Guardian Fencing - **LM/TS**

116. Community Emergency Plan

- Need to update existing plan urgently given recent floods - **VB**
- Received a toolkit and templates from OCC.
- Team to work on plan - **VB/TS**

117. Archives, including minutes retention

- Archives from Village Hall all sorted on 26/09/24. List sent to Oxford History Centre 30/09/24, awaiting response - **LM**
- Massive thanks to Ann and Michael Short for their help. Much appreciated by the Parish Council

118. Sewage dispersal into River by Thames Water

- Presentation from Thames Water received by CH shows plans to mitigate sewage dispersals, looks positive on paper, await actions

119. 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:

Next meeting: Tuesday 12th November 2024 at 7.30pm, Tiddington Village Hall