

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 **Monday 15th September 2025 at 7.55pm.**

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PUBLIC FORUM

Update on co-opt of new Parish Councillor

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93. Apologies: Chris Hill (CH) - Vice -chair

94. Approve and sign minutes

95. Matters to Report

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

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

96. Flooding/Drainage:

- Following an extensive site visit (on 02/07/25) with Carl Stallwood (OCC Chief drainage Engineer), Lee Travers (SODC Drainage Engineer), **TS** and **LM**, there will be further surveys and work conducted:-
 - in Sandy Lane (where the Spring is running down the road)
 - under the A418 in the Culvert, along Ickford Road
 - along the brook behind Brookside and North Close
 - Draycot Corner
- Still awaiting final minutes from meeting and actions with timings (chased 15/07/25, 25/07/25 and 03/09/25). Latest email copied **JE**, **TB** and **TS**
- Sandy Lane road (near Willow Spring Farm) is deteriorating very fast. Pot holes at the bottom, near the bridge have been marked up for repair. Additional report on FMS has resulted in an investigation and proposed action within 28 days from 08/08/25

97. Neighbourhood Plan / Nature Recovery

- Granted £1,000 (24/25 financial year) for Thame River Conservation Trust proposal from SODC Community Councillor Grants. Money to be spent on optimising camera positioning and a study of plants/wildlife and insects. Will need to keep records - **CH**
- TOE (Trust for Oxfordshires 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**

- TNR team held alongside Brook on 02/09/25 with the landowner, planning to monitor wildlife more closely but need lots of volunteers! - **CH/ALL**
- Meeting held with Ryan from Oxfordshire Tree Planing on 31/07/25 who will now review the area and advise what trees could be planted - **CH**

98. Councillors' Update of Matters in Hand

98.1 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**
- Ickford Parish Council have been updated (08/07/25 and 18/07/25) - **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.

98.2 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 our own Community Speed Watch programme, if sufficient volunteers were available. Currently monitoring actions of '20s Plenty for Us' group - **ALL**
- 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**

98.3 Fix My Street

- Bottom of Albury Lane, drains still blocked, some work done but ineffectual, report again - **RS**
- Worn road surface in Sandy Lane, see item 96 - **LM**
- Potholes & worn-out road on A40, Milton Common reported, some repaired, report again - **LM**

98.4 Defibrillators

- Replaced defibrillator at VH with the latest model CU-SPR from WelMedical which has a 10 year Warranty - **LM**
- Further discussion is needed on location of second defibrillator, if needed - **ALL**
- Sourced training for using Defibrillators & basic first aid from South Central Ambulance Service who require min 20 people & a donation (£10/person). LM is trying to arrange training for early/mid October at the Cricket Club. Waiting for confirmation from SCAS - **LM**

98.5 Installation of Ultrafast Broadband – Gigaclear

- Gigaclear will set up a meeting in the Tiddington Village Hall in October/ November tbc - **LM**
- **Build is due at the top of Albury View from 24/11/25 to 05/12/25 and the road will be shut (apart from access) during this period - LM**

98.6 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**

98.7 Salt Bins

- Need to order more salt, if needed, by end September - **LM**

98.8 Community Governance Review

- Do the PC want to make any amendments that will impact the 2027 elections? Details sent out 10/07/25, need to submit by 19th September - **ALL**

99. Planning

99.1 Planning Applications received:

- **P25/S2016/PIP - Fairview, Old London Road, Milton Common:** Demolition of existing bungalow and replacement with four detached units. **Consultation ends: 17th September, decision date: 1st October**

99.2 Planning Decisions to be noted:

- None

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

- **P24/S3204/O - 46, Ickford Road:** Replacement of one dwelling with four. Currently considering recent reports from Ecology and Drainage specialists. **Application under consideration, date of decision unknown**
- **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: 15th October 2025**
- **25/02196/AOP - Pound Green Field, Ickford:** *Objection* to 68 houses submitted on behalf of PC

99.4 Planning Appeals in progress:

- **P23/S2384/O - Jn 8a, M40 Waterstock, Appeal ref: APP/Q3115/W/24/3343775.** Due to changes in Government laws/ recommendations, Greystoke have submitted to Inspectorate additional evidence supporting their appeal. Waterstock responding - **CH**

99.5 Planning Consultations - Land east of Worminghall Road, Ickford

- Sigma development of 70 houses - Ickford meeting held, currently awaiting copy of the drainage report from Sigma, still waiting 31/07/25 - **LM**
- Responded to Consultation as the Parish Council - **LM**

99.6 Planning breaches

- The Parish Council had concerns over a mobile home (converted ambulance) situated in a field in Albury Lane. NB. The mobile home has now gone as have the vehicles and sheds. Monitor in case of future changes - **JR/RS**

100. Finance

100.1 Applications for routine subscriptions and donations

- a. None

100.2 Accounts for payment this month

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| a. Administration to the Parish Council (Luci Martin) | £446.23 |
| b. WEL Medical Defibrillator | £973.14 |
| c. Bank charges (August) | £4.25 |

100.3 Invoices approved and signed since the previous meeting

- a. None

100.4 Receipts:

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| a. Precept (second half) | £7,250 |
| b. Interest (deposit account) - August | £27.17 |

100.5 Balances at bank on 3rd September:

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| a. Current Account (Lloyds Bank) | £90.01 |
| b. Deposit Account (Lloyds Bank) | £41,548.32 |
| c. Current Account (Nat West Bank) | £0 |

101. 2024/25 accounts

- External auditors requested additional information which was supplied on 24/07/25, and then more on 03/09/25 - **LM**

102. 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**

103. Newsletter

- Approaching new advertisers, chasing outstanding invoices - **JR**

- For inclusion next edition (submission due 15/09/25): Chairs report, Gigaclear update

104. Playground Maintenance

- Checked weekly - all forms up to July received - **RS**
- Green bench to be renovated - **TS**
- New basketball net purchased and to be installed - **LM**
- Leave goal posts till September to allow grass to fully recover - **LM/RS**
- Need to start the process for replacing Fort in 2 or 3 years time. Start by obtaining a couple of quotes to assess the amount of funds required - **LM/RS**
- Weeding party required to remove brambles coming under the fence webbing (which is working well) - **TS/RS**
- Need to update all the signage in the play ground - **LM**

105. Standing Orders

- Meeting to investigate requirements to be confirmed and all finalised by end October - **JR**
- Template sent 10/07/25 - **JR/LM**
- TS has located old Standing Orders to revive alongside new requirements/template and will work with JR - **TS**

106. IT Policy

- The PC needs to develop an IT Policy to circulate and publish on the website. Need to include cyber security and email hacking - **LM**

107. 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

108. 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 is monitoring and will feedback as required - **CH**

109. 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 14th October 2025, Tiddington Village
Hall at 7.30pm**