

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 10th June 2025 at 7.30pm.**

Luci Martin, Clerk

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39. Apologies

40. Approve and sign minutes

41. Resignation of Councillor - Val Baker

42. Matters to Report

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

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

43. Flooding/Drains

- Expecting to hear more on the Section 19 investigation in the Spring (emailed 06/05/25 and 04/06/25) - **LM**
- Requested update from Carl Stallwood (OCC - Senior Engineer) on (06/05/25 & 04/06/25):
 - Main Road: Aco kerb channels cleaned out. Survey required of Culvert under main road. This has been reviewed by the Section 19 investigation team and they will apply for funding via the Flood Expression of Interest programme - **WP**
 - Railway Culvert: requires additional clearing - Completed
 - Ickford Road: root mass discovered along the drains at the back of houses - Removed
 - Ditch alongside the allotments needs digging out urgently, with SODC
 - Draycot Corner: need a discussion with the house owner and OCC about the broken pipe. House owner details passed to **CS**
 - Sandy Lane: Discussion needed between landowners, OCC and SODC on altering the side of the road the drainage ditch currently runs. To be arranged - **TS/CS**

44. Neighbourhood Plan / Nature Recovery

- Granted £1,000 for Thame River Conservation Trust proposal from SODC Community Councillor Grants. Team proposes money should be spent on optimising camera positioning and a study of plants/wildlife and insects. PC to agree - **CH/ALL**
- 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 suggested the following, PC to agree at meeting:
 - o to approach a possible source of funding for flood management in the Parish to understand better the process and opportunities
 - o to hold a discussion with largest Parish landowner to create a joint project to clear up the Brook, especially round the back of North and Brookside Close

45. Councillors' Update of Matters in Hand

45.1 Ickford Bridges

- Ickford Bridges have been assessed & agreed work is required, although they are not on the Highways Capital Maintenance map for 25-26. **TB** emailed Robin Culver to request an update, a report was due at the end March - **JE/ LM**
- Ickford Parish Council have given up & taken it off their agenda until new Councillors start, requested update 07/05/25 & 04/06/25 - **LM**
- Reported on Fix My Street, with new photos added (Jan 25). Under investigation now but cracks are getting worse (April 25) - **LM**

45.2 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. Antony Kirkwood (previously Safety Officer) now heads up this area, including Vision Zero.
- 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**

45.3 Fix My Street

- Bottom of Albury Lane, drains still blocked, some work done but ineffectual, report again - **RS**
- Worn road surface in Sandy Lane, assessment due in May - **TS/LM**
- Potholes & worn-out road on A40, Milton Common reported, some repaired, report again - **LM**
- Ickford Bridges reported on FMS, report again - **LM**

45.4 Defibrillators

- All three defibrillators operational - pads need checking
- Sourced some training for using Defibrillators & basic first aid from South Central Ambulance Service who require min 20 people & a donation. Article on Facebook got at least 11 interested plus one via email. TS to give details to LM to arrange training - **LM/TS**
- Stickers are printed(with What3words) just need to be applied - **TS**
 - newlywed.split.adjusting - Cricket Club
 - tickling.decency.rumble - F&G
 - intricate.panning.limelight - VH

45.5 Albury Lane repairs

- The road remains a restricted by-way, and this is unlikely to change. Monitor for the moment.

45.6 Installation of Ultrafast Broadband – Gigaclear

- Gigaclear have asked to attend the Wednesday morning coffee morning (every second Wednesday at 10.30am), LM to arrange - **LM**
- Build is due to start at the mid-May and last about 6 months. LM attending meeting on 05/06 for more updates - **LM**

45.7 Trees

- The tree on the corner by the entrance to Village Hall car park needs some attention. South Bucks Tree Surgeons have quoted £360 (inc VAT), approved? - **ALL**

45.8 Parking Restrictions for School Bus

- Response from Jon Beale however. If we require a parking sign, we will need to request a TRO and will be asked to contribute to the cost - circa £8,000 to 10,000.
- Tracey (at Highways) has confirmed the same information - **LM**

45.9 Dog fouling bins

- Asked if we can replace open bin in Albury View with closed double bin, sent 27/02/25 - **LM**
- SODC are contacting the Belfry to see if it's their bin and will advise us further - **LM**
- Need to look into getting closed bins into the play area - **LM**

46. Planning

46.1 Planning Applications received:

- None

46.2 Planning Decisions to be noted:

- None

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

- **P24/S3204/O - 46, Ickford Road:** Replacement of one dwelling with four. **Decision date now: 15th July 2025.**

46.4 Planning Appeals in progress:

- **P23/S2384/O - Jn 8a, M40 Waterstock, Appeal ref: APP/Q3115/W/24/3343775.** The Inquiry started on 15/10/24 and concluded end January, final report due end of March

46.5 Planning Consultations - Land east of Wormingham Road, Ickford - until Sunday 1st June

- Sigma development of 70 houses - **no update**

47. Finance

47.1 Applications for routine subscriptions and donations

- None

47.2 Accounts for payment this month

a. Administration to the Parish Council (Luci Martin)	£433.50
b. Parchments Print - Newsletter June/July	£270.00
c. Ansvar - Annual Insurance	£588.74
d. Bank charges (waiting for June)	£

47.3 Invoices approved and signed since the previous meeting

a. BGG - grass cutting	£822.00
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47.4 Receipts:

a. Interest (deposit account) - waiting for June	£
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47.5 Balances at bank on 2nd April:

a. Current Account (Lloyds Bank)	£1,431.65
b. Deposit Account (Lloyds Bank)	£45,350.57
c. Current Account (Nat West Bank)	£0

48. 2024/25 accounts

- AGAR to be submitted to external auditors by 30/06/25 - **LM**
- Need urgent meeting with Rob to agree formats etc. - **LM**
- Year end accounts to be signed off at meeting - **ALL**

49. 2025/26 Accounts

- Need to change names on Bank account, remove Russell Chaplin, Ken Field and Val Baker. Rebecca Stodden and Jon Russell have agreed to be signatories - **TS**
- Need to reclaim VAT for 2024/25 - **TS/LM**

50. Newsletter

- Approaching new advertisers - **JR**
- For inclusion next edition (submission due 15/07/25): Chairs report, Gigaclear update

51. Standing Orders

- Meeting to investigate requirements to be confirmed asap

52. IT Policy

- The PC need to develop a IT Policy to circulate and publish on the website - **LM**

53. Playground Maintenance

- Checked weekly - all forms up to April received - **RS**
- Annual Inspection completed 17/04/25, no major issues. Action list created - **LM/RS**
- Green bench to be renovated - **TS**
- New basketball net purchased and to be installed - **LM**
- Further Fort repairs required and re-painting - **LM/RS**
- Move goal posts to the other side and add additional cable ties to the net. Tug of War teams agreed to help - **LM**

54. Community Emergency Plan

- Need to update existing plan urgently
- Received a toolkit and templates from OCC, and offer to help check drafts

55. 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**

56. 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 8th July 2025, Tiddington Village Hall at
7.30pm**