

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF PIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL held on 17th SEPTEMBER 2024

	Present: Cllr T McNally, Cllr M Nixon, Cllr M Terzino, Cllr S Parden and Cllr T Smith. Remotely: Apologies: Cllr T Wills, Cllr C Miller (OCC), Cllr A Russell(CDC) and Cllr Julian Nedelcu (CDC). Also Present: Cllr G Coton (CDC)	Action	By date																								
34	Declarations of Interest None other than Cllr S Parden’s membership of the Village Hall Committee.	all																									
35	Minutes The Minutes of the meeting of 16th July 2024 were agreed as drawn.	clerk																									
36	Councillor’s Report Cllr Coton reported that things have been quiet at Cherwell DC over the summer. Currently the council is revising its local plan, including its social housing allocation, and developing a Parish Toolkit to assist parishes in responding to planning consultations. She was asked to make enquiries about the outcome of the Gypsy/Traveller site in Widnell Lane, which is listed for a planning decision by 10th October 2024.																										
37	Finance Invoices The Council noted the current position with regard to the Council’s financial position, and agreed the following payments:- <table><tr><td>Waterplus</td><td>allotment water</td><td>£9.97</td></tr><tr><td>PVH</td><td>room hire</td><td>£10.00</td></tr><tr><td>OALC</td><td>courses</td><td>£144.00</td></tr><tr><td>A Davies</td><td>salary</td><td>£488.67</td></tr><tr><td>HMRC</td><td>cl tax</td><td>£119.40</td></tr><tr><td>Waterplus</td><td>allotment water</td><td>£9.57</td></tr><tr><td>M and J Cross</td><td>grass</td><td>£776.40</td></tr><tr><td>M and J Cross</td><td>grass</td><td>£536.40</td></tr></table>	Waterplus	allotment water	£9.97	PVH	room hire	£10.00	OALC	courses	£144.00	A Davies	salary	£488.67	HMRC	cl tax	£119.40	Waterplus	allotment water	£9.57	M and J Cross	grass	£776.40	M and J Cross	grass	£536.40	clerk	
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38	Village Matters																										
a	Allotments Two residents have cleared the ragwort from the allotments and the Jubilee Reserve – for which the Parish Council is deeply grateful. Work is required to clear out the brook – the Clerk was asked to contact Blackthorn Parish Council																										

	to enquire about the contractors they use for this work.		
b	Flooding The Council agreed to arrange for a quote for the work required to survey the drains in the village, and for the work required to clear the stream by the allotments and the pond in the Jubilee Reserve. The Clerk was asked to invite an interested local resident to the next Parish Council meeting.	Resident/ clerk	
c	Jubilee reserve The tree in memory of former Chair Francesca Darby has been planted and a bench erected around it – with a number of very appreciative comments being made. Once wording has been agreed the Clerk has been asked to order a notice for the Jubilee Reserve suggesting:- **Private Property** The Jubilee Reserve is Exclusively for Use by Piddington Residents. Commercial Use is Strictly Prohibited Without Prior Written Consent from the Piddington Parish Council. Work is required to repair the main gate and fencing. It was agreed the regular village handyman should be approached.	Clerk	
d	Website The Parish Council agreed that it would investigate the use of contractors to migrate the current website onto a new platform provided the total cost was below £250.00.	MT	
e	Welcome Letter The Parish Council thanked Andrew Coleman for his hard work redrafting the Village Welcome Letter, and agreed that this should be displayed on the website.	clerk	
39	Planning The Clerk has written to district councillors requesting an update on the Widnell Lane application.	clerk	
40	Footpaths and Highways An updated footpath report is currently being prepared, and the chair is in contact with OCC Highways to arrange to meet with their representative and walk the village looking at problem areas. The Clerk was asked to report the missing weight restriction sign to OCC.	AD	
41	Circulated Between Meetings:		

	OALC and CDC Updates	AD	
42	Any Other business. There was concern that horses are continually escaping from their field onto local roads.	clerk	
43	The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.		
44	Date of Next Meeting 15 th October 2024 at 7.30pm.	AD	

Signed

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