

**Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Piddington Parish Council
held on 20th May 2025 in the Village Hall, Piddington**

Present: Cllr. T. McNally
Cllr. M Nixon
Cllr. M Terzino
Cllr T Smith
Cllr I Phillips

Also Present

Cllr G Coton (CDC)
Cllr L Goodman (OCC)
9 Parish residents

Welcome and Introduction

Councillor McNally welcomed everyone to the meeting, thanked them for attending.

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr S Parden, Cllr T Wills, Cllr A Russell(CDC) and Cllr Julian Nedelcu (CDC).

2. Minutes

Those present **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the previous Annual Parish meeting

3. Matters Arising

No comments were made from last year's minutes.

4. Councillor's Report

Cllr Goodman introduced herself as the recently elected County Councillor for the area. Both she and Cllr Coton outlined current options for local government reform in Oxfordshire including an enlarged Oxford City, a northern and a southern option or ne authority for the whole county.

Cllr Coton confirmed that CDC had now relocated to Castle Quays, and the Local Plan was progressing with a view to being agreed by Council in June/July 2025.

Cllr Coton confirmed that she would make enquiries of the CDC planners to ascertain the current position on Widnell Lane, and Cllr Goodman agreed to raise similar issues with OCC planning enforcement officers.

5. Report from Chairman Piddington Parish Council

The Chairman welcomed attendees and Introduced the Parish Council.

He reminded the meeting that, once again the Parish Council had led the fight against the latest gypsy/traveller site planning application. Despite the application having been lodged some time ago, it had still not been decided by CDC, but there has been some recent activity on the site, including site clearance works and an electricity trench constructed along the edge of Widnell Lane. This activity has been reported to Planning Enforcement at CDC and is being carefully monitored.

Piddington Parish Council would like to congratulate former county Councillor Calum Miller, who has now been elected MP for the area. It hopes it will still be possible to continue the work of the local Flood Forum to try to resolve flooding issues in the parish – particularly on the land at the bottom of Marsh Gibbon Road, near the railway embankment.

The Parish Council is pressing OCC to repair the Marsh Gibbon Rd down to the A41, ideally at the same time as the railway bridge repairs.

The annual litter pick was organised by the Parish Council and held in April; our thanks go to all the amazing volunteers who helped on the day.

6. Residents' questions

None.

7. Finance

Full details of the Parish Council's financial affairs for the year 2024/25 are on the website.

8. Any other business

A resident thanked the parish councillors for the service they gave to their community.

With no further business or questions, Councillor McNally thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

Accepted by:

_____ **Chairman** _____ **Date**