

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF PIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL held on 21st January 2025

	Present: Cllr T McNally, Cllr M Nixon, Cllr T Wills and Cllr T Smith. Remotely: Cllr M Terzino Apologies: Cllr S Parden. Cllr C Miller (OCC), Cllr A Russell(CDC) and Cllr Julian Nedelcu (CDC). Also Present: Cllr G Coton (CDC) and 4 members of the public	Action	By date
56	Declarations of Interest None.	all	
57	Minutes The Minutes of the meeting of 19th November 2024 were agreed as drawn.	clerk	
58	Councillor’s Report Cllr Coton reported that current issues for CDC are 1. The consultation on the revised local plan – which makes provision for further development in North West Bicester. 2. The Botley West solar farm application 3. Local Government reorganisation.		
59	Finance Invoices The Council noted the current position with regard to the Council’s financial position, and agreed the following payments:- PVH room hire 14.00 Waterplus allotment water 18.96 IAG Technology VH screen 38.40 M Terzino clamp 16.88 HMRC cl tax 124.80 A Davies salary 509.73 The Parish Council agreed to increase its precept requirement for the year 2025/26 by 5% to £1,2176.18, which is an increase of £3 per annum per band “D” property.	clerk	
60	Village Matters		
a	Allotments Currently 3 allotment sites are vacant.		

b	Flooding There has been an increase in the number of flooding events in the parish, including several around the Marsh Gibbon road, which appear to be the result of the embankment work carried out recently by Network Rail having restricted access to drainage channels. Some residents are finding that the increase in flooding events are creating difficulties both accessing their properties and running their businesses. The Clerk was asked to enquire about progress of the Flood Forum – initiated by Calum Miller MP when he was an active County Councillor. The Clerk was asked to request maintenance records for the embankment from Network Rail.		
	Marsh Gibbon Road closure While a proposal to close the Marsh Gibbon road by Network Rail was recently cancelled due to the flooding in the area, there was concern that works required to the bridge would require a closure at some time, and this could cut residents in the location off from any access to or from the village.		
c	Jubilee reserve The Clerk will deliver the notice for the Jubilee Reserve to the parish when it arrives.		
d	Widnell Lane Planning Application The Clerk was asked to write to the Corporate Director – Communities at CDC requesting an explanation as to why information about the Widnell Lane planning application was not being updated on the website, and clarification of the current status of the planning application.	clerk	
61	Planning 24/03235/HED OS Parcel 0040 North Of The Old Farmhouse Marsh Gibbon Road Piddington Removal of 30m hedgerow refurbishment 24/03236/HED OS Parcel 1800 North East Of Bridge Farm And New Farm Thame Road Piddington Removal of 20m hedgerow line refurbishment 24/03237/HED Os Parcel 8735 South East Of New Farm Adjoining B4011 Thame Road Piddington Removal of 20m hedgerow line refurbishment 24/03238/HED Os Parcel 0006 South Of Widnell Lane South West Of Football Ground And Arncott Road Piddington Removal of 30m hedgerow line refurbishment	clerk	

	<u>24/03239/HED</u> Street Record Street At Corner Removal of 20m hedgerow to facilitate overhead line refurbishment <u>24/03161/F</u> Park Cottage Chilling Place Two storey rear extension. Conversion of existing garage into ancillary use. Single storey rear extension to existing garage <u>24/03145/AGN</u> Upper Cowleys Farm Marsh Prior approval application for a steel portal framed multi-purpose agricultural bar (Decision Approval not required) The Clerk was asked to enquire whether the contractor would be under any obligation to replant the hedges removed.		
62	Footpaths and Highways The updated footpath report has been sent to Tracey Sutton – the OCC Footpath Officer. Residents are concerned at the number of times horses have been running loose on the Thame Road. The Clerk was asked to write to the owner of the horses, and suggest that the Parish Council would be happy to work with him to establish a safe solution.	AD	
63	Circulated Between Meetings: OALC and CDC Updates	AD	
64	Any Other Business. The Clerk was asked to raise the issue of VE day celebrations with the Village Hall Committee.	clerk	
66	The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.		
67	Date of Next Meeting 18th February 2025.	AD	

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