

TIDDINGTON WITH ALBURY PARISH COUNCIL
Monthly Meeting
Monday 5 March 2012, 8.00pm – at Tiddington Village Hall

MINUTES

Present: Mrs E Horne (Chairman), Mrs Z Knight, Mrs C Draper, Mr K Field, Mr B Price, Mr D Turner (County Councillor), Mr K Poyser (clerk) and three members of the public.

1. **Apologies:** Mr J Nowell-Smith and Mr S Harrod (District Councillor).
2. **Declarations of interest:** Mr Price declared an interest in the planning application re Tudor Cottage, Thame Road, Tiddington.
3. **Approval of previously circulated minutes:**
The minutes were approved and signed with minor amendments.
4. **Matters arising from previous minutes:**
 - a. Footpath/pelican crossing in village – David Turner said that the cost of a Zebra Crossing could be considerably more affordable than a Pelican Crossing. To be on agenda for next meeting.
 - b. Progress re requests for repairs to potholes – Nothing further to report. Clerk to write to Brian Short at SODC and to continue to pursue. To be on agenda for next meeting.
 - c. Bus shelter in Milton Common – Shelter has been cleaned. Mr and Mrs Horne also gave it some attention at time of Litter Blitz. We have not yet had an account for work done, but it is understood that this could amount to £100 or so, which seems costly. Ken Field to have a look at work done/to be done. To be on agenda for next meeting.
 - d. Poor state of grounds at Cromwell Rise adjacent to Oxford Belfry/Lassco – Andrew, the Manager at Lassco says that he will have a word with the hotel manager over the next few weeks and Clerk will liaise with him. To be on agenda for next meeting.
 - e. Signage re speed limits in Milton Common – Clerk to contact Highways Engineer Anthony Kirkwood to ascertain whether there is any progress re Sandy Lane speed limit. To be on agenda for next meeting.
 - f. Notification of unspent S106 Monies - £3750 for 'parish open space' – Clerk to speak to Sharon Crawford from SODC, who is away until 16 April. The tree bark has been delivered and laid in play area. There is a little more work to be done. To be on agenda for next meeting.
 - g. Fields in Trust – Clerk to register Playing Field. To be on agenda for next meeting.
 - h. Availability of capital grant monies from SODC – Clerk to liaise with Alan Stratton and Cate Teideman re grants. Cherry Draper to work with Cate and Alan in looking at possible grant application. To be on agenda for next meeting.
5. Update re M40CEG by Dr Ken Edwards – Dr Edwards gave a presentation to set out the up to date situation. The committee has made a submission to the Co-operative Community Energy Challenge for funding of £40000 towards consultation and support re sound barriers incorporating solar panels, based on a similar installation at Verona. A feasibility study has been carried out, funded by WDC and SODC. Dr Edwards set out the complications in the maintenance of the M40 with the Highways Agency being named as the Noise Producer and WDC and SODC as the Noise Receivers.
6. **Tiddington 4 Village Plan – Update.**
The first drop in coffee morning at the cricket club on 14 March was a great success. Hoping that even more people will attend next event. The first Newsletter has gone out. No feedback reported. The work of the committee continues.

7. **Queen's diamond jubilee celebrations** – Alan Stratton said that plans for a celebratory lunch on 3 June are progressing. There will be a bangers and mash meal with a vegetarian option. The Oxford Belfry will be providing the mashed potatoes. There will possibly be some entertainment and games with a licenced bar. The order for money boxes has been placed. We have the bunting and decorations from last year's Royal Wedding event. To be on agenda for next meeting.
8. **Policing matters.**
Sgt Hookham reported that the major problem in our area is vehicle crime. Opportunist thieves are targeting vehicles left unlocked. There have been tools stolen from vans and thefts of electronic equipment.
9. **Open discussion:**
Mr Field observed that the Contractors are being very slow in roadworks in Albury View. Mrs Horne said that gating on A418 approaching Thame is open. Signs re Thame Show have been fixed to gating at Milton Common.
Mrs Teideman said that there were vehicles speeding on Ickford Road. Clerk to contact police re possible speed check.
Mr Stratton said that he is running the London Marathon again, this time for Blue Cross.
Mr Turner said that that Dial a Ride has been launched. It will operate on Mondays and Tuesdays.
10. **Planning matters:**

P11/W2052 – Tudor Cottage Thame Road Tiddington – Construction of 3 bay garage with storage and home office in the garden. Minor amendments to application. Considered that planning consent should be refused because proposed building too high and that there should be consideration of listed building status.
11. **Correspondence:**
Electoral Review of South Oxfordshire – Aim is to have every councillor in each ward representing, as far as possible, the same number of electors. Number of councillors is likely to be reduced from 48 to 36. Representations are invited with a closing date of 8 May.
12. **Financial matters:**
Banking arrangements. Application forms for internet banking. Clerk to complete and liaise with signatories.
SODC emptying of dog bins £36.60. Proposed Mr Field seconded Mrs Knight.
K Poyser – Clerk's salary (net) £368.80. Proposed Mr Price seconded Mr Field.
Revenue & Customs – PAYE on Clerk's salary £92.20. Proposed Mr Price seconded Mr Field.
Purchase of further litter pickers and high visibility jackets. Clerk to obtain pro forma invoice.
Lighting improvements to Village Hall – budgeted £1600 + VAT. Invoice for £928.32 from Media Lane International. Proposed by Mrs Knight seconded by Mrs Horne.
Parchments of Oxford – printing of Tiddington Newsletters £352.80. Proposed Mr Price seconded Mr Field.
13. **Date of next meeting**
Monday 14 May 2012.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.10pm.