

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

MINUTES

**Present:** Mrs E Horne (Chairman), Mr J Nowell-Smith, Mrs Z Knight, Mrs C Draper, Mr K Field, Mr B Price, Mr S Harrod (District Councillor), Mr K Poyser (clerk) and three members of the public.

1. **Apologies:** Mr D Turner (County 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 not present so nothing further to report. To be on agenda for next meeting.

b. Progress re requests for repairs to potholes – Nothing further to report. Clerk to continue to pursue and to be on agenda for next meeting.

c. Bus shelter in Milton Common – Steve Harrod said that he had handyman who would undertake work as part of joint venture between Great Milton and ourselves. This news was greeted with acclaim. Painting etc to be scheduled for spring when weather more suitable.

d. Poor state of grounds at Cromwell Rise adjacent to Oxford Belfry/Lassco – Nothing to report at present. 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 ask OPFA for advice re resurfacing of play area surfaces. Mr Field and Mr Price to look into undertaking preparatory work on surfacing. After some discussion, it was agreed that a budget of £500 be set for bark/chippings for urgent remedial repairs. Proposed Mrs Draper seconded Mrs Knight. To be on agenda for next meeting.

5. **Tiddington 4 Village Plan – Update.**

The Newsletter has been produced and distributed. Clerk to ensure that grant of £1200 from OALC has been received. The first drop in coffee morning to be held at the cricket club on 14 March at 10.30am.  
The work of the committee continues.

6. **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. There will possibly be some entertainment and games with a licenced bar. Possible commemorative item was again discussed and it was agreed that a money box would be most attractive choice. A specimen money box was looked at and approved. A budget of £525 was approved. Proposed Mr Price seconded by Mr Field.  
To be on agenda for next meeting.

7. **Policing matters.**

There was no police representative present, but Clerk gave details of report. Steve Harrod reported that there had been a theft of valuable tack from a horse box in Great Milton. Mrs

Horne said that this was known to Horse Watch. Clerk to ascertain when police representative last attended Parish Council meeting.

**8. Open discussion:**

Mrs Knight reminded councillors that copy deadline for the Newsletter is 20 March. Mr Nowell-Smith informed the meeting that he intends to step down as a Councillor and that he will do so formally at the March meeting. John was thanked for his contribution over the years. Matter to be in the forthcoming Newsletter.

Steve Harrod reported from SODC.

Work experience for young people is being given to 16 students.

Young people are working with older people to assist with getting them on line.

Community grants are available for capital projects. The application period for grants of £15000 to £100000 opens on 5 March and runs to end of April. Clerk to enquire as to whether monies would be available for a Pelican Crossing in the village.

Applications for smaller grants of up to £15000 will open on 2 April and run to 4 June.

To celebrate the Diamond Jubilee Fields in Trust is protecting outdoor recreational spaces in communities across the UK. This to be on agenda for next meeting.

Ken Field raised the Lady Mary Bertie Trust, which provides monies to encourage children to read books. It was suggested that there should be something in the Newsletter about this.

**9. Planning matters:**

P11/W1939 – The Three Pigeons London Road Milton Common – Demolition of existing rear part of main building. Extensions to existing main building to provide improved accommodation and function room and letting room accommodation (as an amendment to approved scheme P00/N0218); erection of outbuilding, retention of existing lawful buildings, ancillary works including car park, fencing and landscaping. Proposed change of use of public highway to ancillary use as part of the use of the wider site for sale of architectural antiques etc., function room and guest accommodation and siting of proposed building extension on part of the public highway to be stopped-up. Nothing heard to date from SODC.

P11/W1871 – 26 Ickford Road Tiddington – Demolition of existing conservatory and single storey rear extension. Erection of single storey rear extension and raised patio. Planning consent granted by SODC.

P11/W2052 – Tudor Cottage Thame Road Tiddington – Construction of 3 bay garage with storage and home office in the garden. To recommend that planning permission be refused.

P11/W2285 – Albury Farm Draycot Tiddington – Erection of an infill roof between two existing agricultural buildings for cattle. Approved for recommendation to SODC.

**10. Correspondence:**

None.

**11. Financial matters:**

Expense claims re Tiddinton 4 Village Plan:

Christine Craddock	£22.83 proposed	Mr Price seconded	Mrs Knight.
Cate Teidman	£46.88 proposed	Mrs Knight seconded	Mr Field.
Rob Richardson	£57.30 proposed	Mrs Draper seconded	Mr Price.

Tiddington Village Hall request for funding for lighting improvements - £1600 +VAT. Support for the budgeted improvements proposed by Mrs Knight seconded by Mrs Draper.

Risk Assessment schedule – This was discussed, reviewed and assessed. Approval and adoption was proposed by Mr Price and seconded by Mr Field.

Councillors' declarations of interest – review and update if necessary. Clerk had received confirmation from Councillors that no update or amendment to declarations held is needed.

Review of adequacy of insurance cover:

Contractors' indemnity insce.

Public/Employer's Liability cover.

Money and fidelity.

Personal accident.

Adequacy of cover was discussed and considered appropriate.

Banking arrangements.

Internet banking – discussion/decision. After some discussion it was proposed that Clerk proceed with implementation of Internet Banking arrangements, subject to appropriate safeguards.

Payments approval procedure. The current procedure was reviewed and no changes considered necessary/appropriate. Review of Standing Orders. Clerk to liaise with Mrs Horne re any amendments needed.

**12. Date of next meeting**

Monday 2 April 2012.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.35pm.