

**TIDDINGTON WITH ALBURY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**Monday 6 September 2010, 8.00pm at Tiddington Village Hall**

**MINUTES**

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

**1. Apologies:** None

**2. Declarations of interest:** Mrs Horne declared an interest re the Lantern Service Station and the proposed development at the Belfry Hotel.

**3. Approval of previously circulated minutes:**  
The minutes were approved and signed with one minor amendment.

**4. Matters arising from previous minutes:**

a. Footpath/pelican crossing in village – David Turner said that capital projects are on hold with County Council and it would in all probability be necessary for us to provide a contribution, with monies from Parish Council and from part of funds raised by Alan Stratton. David to pursue possible use of S106 monies held from Station Yard development.

Records of original survey have definitely been destroyed.

The footpath is to be instated at some future time from the S106 funds. Clerk to pursue this matter.

b. Drainage and ditching – Work at Sandy Lane still has now been completed. Some badly worn areas of road have also been resurfaced and some potholes filled. First indications are favourable. No water running down the road!

c. Vibration problems on A418 –The work on A418, which will involve changes to white lining and installation of 30mph roundels, has not yet started. We had been informed by Highways that work would be finished before end July. Clerk has made further enquiries, but no response as yet. Keep under review and on agenda for next meeting.

d. Lantern Service Station – Mrs Horne said that there is really no change to situation. She understands that the application for an LPG facility has been referred to the Planning Committee which has not yet met to consider application No further news on possible enforcement order.To be on agenda for next meeting.

f. Trees - arboricultural survey by Oxfordshire County along the A418 (from the A40 to Thame. Clerk has arranged for meeting with Mike Robinson to look at trees on Saturday 18 September at 10.00 am at Village Hall. To be on agenda for next meeting.

g. Bus shelters in Tiddington and Milton Common – Ken Field and Brian Price have had a look at bus shelter in Tiddington. Ivy needs to be removed and ceiling re-boarded and painted. The bus shelter at Milton Common needs attention. Clerk endeavouring to obtain quote for refurbishment. Clerk also to contact Haddenham Parish Council to see if their old shelter, which has recently been replaced, could be of use to us. To be on agenda for next meeting.

**5. Open discussion**

David Turner said that under the Big Debate, various meetings are being held to look at the spending review in order to obtain feedback.

Permits for tipping are to be introduced. It was felt that this could encourage more fly-tipping.

Mrs Horne referred to the low flying aircraft which were discussed at the last meeting. The reply received to the Clerk's letter to MOD was not helpful, being little more than a statement that such activities were necessary for the defence of the realm.

The Clerk was asked to request that 'warning horses' signs be put up at top and bottom of Sandy Lane.

Mrs Knight said that there were deep potholes in Albury View where there is no pavement, such that potholes are a danger to pedestrians. Clerk to write to Highways. Bad potholes also in Ickford Road.

Mrs Willis asked about VAS unit which has been the subject of discussion at previous Parish Council meetings. This had been dropped from the agenda due to cost. Clerk to resurrect enquiries. Camera switched off in village now, so speeding more of a problem.

#### **6. Talk by Malcolm Wills – Crime reduction and Prevention**

Mrs Horne introduced Mr Wills, who spoke about crime in rural communities, measures that can be taken to deter offenders, home and personal security. He then took questions from the floor. Mr Willis was thanked for his presentation.

#### **7. Planning matters**

P10/W0541 (Major) – The Oxford Belfry Brimpton Grange Milton Common – Proposed new bedroom wing to provide 105 additional guest bedrooms, extension to bar and restaurant plus associated works including the construction of an overflow car park. Consent had been given at the SODC planning meeting.

Mr Leslau asked about the conditions attached to the consent. Clerk to pursue with Planning Officer, Sharon Crawford. Clerk also to pursue matter of enforcement order regarding static caravans on site.

Ann Midwinter, a member of the Planning Committee, is also a member of the Health Club at the Oxford Belfry Hotel, which did not seem to have been raised under 'conflicts of interest' Clerk to pursue.

Clerk to ask whether there is a S106 agreement attached to consent. To see if we can have an input if there is.

P10/W0318 – Lantern Service Station London Road Milton Common - Proposed new LPG fuel facility for privately owned vehicles. (As clarified by Risk Assessment, Planning Statement accompanying Agent's letter dated 14 July 2010). Nothing to report at present.

#### **8. Correspondence**

Clerk to write to owner of property at corner of Ickford Road and Brookside Close regarding overhanging beech hedge.

The tree preservation order at Milton Common has been approved by SODC. No objections were received.

#### **9. Financial matters**

Progress with Annual Audit. Amendment to Annual Return. Clerk reported that Annual Return form needed to be amended for correction to figure entered incorrectly. Corrected form then to be returned to auditors. Proposed Mr Price seconded Mr Field.

Budget review – April-September 2010. This was presented by Clerk and discussed in some detail. There were no significant projected over/under spends.

Litter pickers – Purchase 6 litter pickers and 6 safety jackets. Budget £300.00.

Proposed Mrs Horne seconded Mrs Draper.

Mobbs & Co Limited – materials for pathway maintenance £63.91. Proposed Mrs Draper seconded Mrs Knight.

Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association – membership renewal £34.00. Proposed Mrs Knight seconded Mrs Draper.

Wheatley Park School – donation £50.00. Proposed Mr Price seconded Mr Field.

Oxfordshire Association for the Blind – donation £50.00. Proposed Mr Price seconded Mr Field.

Robinsons Garden Care – mowing of churchyard and playing field £305.50. To be on agenda for next meeting.

#### **10. Date of next meeting**

Monday 4 October.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.45 pm.