

**TIDDINGTON WITH ALBURY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**Monday 5 September 2011, 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 D Turner (County Councillor), Mr S Harrod (District Councillor), Mr B Price, Mr K Poyser (clerk) and three members of the public.

1. **Apologies:** None.

2. **Declarations of interest:** None.

3. **Approval of previously circulated minutes:**  
The minutes were approved and signed.

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

a. Footpath/pelican crossing in village –

The Pelican Crossing is still registered as a need for the village with the County Council. David Turner wondered whether the Area Steward's Fund could be used for funding. Clerk to pursue funding via the District Council's grants scheme for Community Groups. This could feature in the Community Led Plan. To be kept on the agenda for future meetings.

b. Progress re repair/replacement of damaged manhole covers. Mr Field said he had looked at the broken manhole cover in Sandy Lane, which was a water board cover. Mr Field said he would see if he could locate a suitable cover and Clerk said he would contact water board.

c. Progress re requests for repairs to potholes. Clerk to continue to press for action on potholes at Albury and Milton Common.

d. Subsidence on A418 – Clerk to continue to pursue.

e. Bus shelter in Milton Common – Bus shelter grant scheme. Clerk to continue to pursue. Council considers that the shelter is in fact in Great Milton parish. Clerk to write to Great Milton parish.

f. Poor state of grounds at Cromwell Rise adjacent to Oxford Belfry/Lassco. Clerk has reported this to Q Hotels, but has not had response. Clerk has written again but no response. Will continue to pursue.

g. Signage re speed limits in Milton Common – David Turner had said at previous meeting that he would pursue this matter and reported that he was still waiting for a reply to his enquiries. Mrs Horne reported that there had been a number of accidents since the increase in the speed limit. David Turner said that he would obtain a copy of the accident reports.

h. Notification of unspent S106 Monies - £3750 for 'parish open space'. After some discussion it was felt that such monies could be used for updating of the play area. Mr Field and Mr Price to give some consideration to the matter and report back to next meeting.

5. **Community Led Plan – Update following 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of committee.**

The plan is to be known as 'Tiddington 4 Village Plan'.

Officers are:

Chairman – Christine Craddock

Secretary – Nigel Draper

Treasurer – Michelle Richardson

Parish Council liaison – Elaine Horne

Publicity – Jenny Stoker

Volunteer co-ordinator – Tony Giddy

The next meeting is this Wednesday evening.

The committee had expressed a wish to use the Parish Council bank account, but Councillors expressed some misgivings. To be discussed at next Parish Council meeting following feedback from Wednesday's meeting.  
The committee has identified the following from the parishioners who attended the inaugural meeting:

## Village Plan Start-Up Feedback

| Strengths  | Requirements  | Weaknesses  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cricket Club</li> <li>• Village Hall</li> <li>• Friendliness</li> <li>• Rural Environment</li> <li>• Accessibility</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Road Improvements</li> <li>• Speed Control</li> <li>• Pedestrian Crossing</li> <li>• Cycle Paths Thame/ N Weston</li> <li>• Street Lighting</li> <li>• Village Shop</li> <li>• Faster Broadband</li> <li>• Affordable Housing for Local Young</li> <li>• Better Policing/ Crime Control</li> <li>• Activities For Young People</li> <li>• Community Care For Older People</li> <li>• Film Club</li> <li>• Coffee Shop</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Road Safety</li> <li>• Road Surfaces</li> <li>• Drug Dealing</li> <li>• Slow Broadband</li> <li>• Children's Facilities</li> <li>• No Shop</li> <li>• No Pub (MC)</li> <li>• M40 Noise (MC)</li> <li>• Lantern (MC)</li> <li>• No Path to Thame</li> </ul> |

**6. PCSO Dawn Hunt. Policing matters.**

PCSO Hunt not present. Clerk read report sent to him for the meeting. Mrs Horne said that there had been a recent spate of distraction burglaries.

**7. Open discussion:**

Clerk reported that he had received communication from housing association re possible eviction of resident following court hearing. There is the opportunity for appeal re eviction. Matter to be kept under review.

Clerk said that parishioner had said that she believed that the speed camera on A418 was not working. Clerk to make enquiries with police.

Mrs Draper asked that Clerk contact Electricity suppliers re trimming of trees in Ickford Road. Clerk had understood that cabling was for telephone line.

Mrs Knight reminded the meeting that copy deadline for the Newsletter is 20 September.

Mrs Patterson said that was increasingly concerned re road vibrations on A418. She has been in contact with Malcolm Dickerson from County Highways. Both Brian Price and David Turner expressed an interest in attending site meeting.

The chestnut tree by Mrs Patterson's house is causing some concern. Ken Field will look at this and report back to next meeting.

John Nowell-Smith said that trees along London Road need trimming.

David Turner gave details of County Council's free electric blanket testing.

Clerk was asked to put church notices on Parish noticeboard.

Steve Harrod reported on the launch of the government consultation on the new National Planning Policy Framework, grants available to community groups in South Oxfordshire, Revenue Grants, Thames Valley Probation's Community Payback scheme and advice to businesses to help prevent metal thefts.

**8. Planning matters:**

None.

**9. Correspondence:**

None.

**10. Financial matters:**

Gift of wine for internal auditor £44.69 – proposed Mr Field seconded Mr Price.

MA Wise – hedging and clearing up round playing field and village hall £35.00 – proposed Mrs Knight seconded Mr Nowell-Smith.

SODC emptying of dog bins £34.98 – proposed Mrs Draper seconded Mr Field.

Robinsons Garden Care – mowing playing field and churchyard £456.00 – proposed Mrs Knight seconded Mr Price.

OALC chairman's course fee £60.00 – proposed Mr Nowell-Smith seconded Mrs Knight.  
Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association membership fee £35.00 – to be on agenda for next meeting.  
Oxfordshire Association for the Blind – request for donation – to be on agenda for next meeting.  
Progress with audit. Nothing further to report at present.

- 11. Date of next meeting**  
Monday 3 October.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50 pm.