

TIDDINGTON WITH ALBURY PARISH COUNCIL
Monthly Meeting
Monday 3 September 2012, 8.00pm at Tiddington Village Hall

MINUTES

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

1. **Apologies:** Mr K Field.

2. **Declarations of interest:** Mrs C Draper re Albury Road.

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

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

a. Pelican crossing in village – The copy of the original report by Oxfordshire County Highways comprised just one page, showing a plan of the proposed crossing. David Turner reported that he had made further enquiries and there was no further paperwork. There is apparently a quote for £32000 for a pelican crossing for Henley. David Turner said that Keith Stenning of Oxfordshire Highways is obtaining a copy of the quote. David Turner said that he may be able to get £5000 towards the project from the Big Society Fund, there is money raised from Alan Stratton's marathon run and Brian Price said that there is a 'Time' fund and will find out how much is in this. To be on agenda for next meeting.

b. Progress re requests for repairs to potholes – There are a dozen or so potholes in Albury Lane. David Turner said that he can have these attended to from his Locality Budget. Mrs Draper to let David have details of locations. Mrs Christine Craddock is still endeavouring to ascertain who owns the road. To be on agenda for next meeting.

c. Bus shelter in Milton Common – Steve Harrod reported that the painting work is imminent. To be on agenda for next meeting.

d. Signage re speed limits in Milton Common – Clerk to ask highways engineer, Anthony Kirkwood to seek police opinion re speed limit of 30mph in Sandy Lane. To be on agenda for next meeting.

e. Notification of unspent S106 Monies - £3750 for 'parish open space' – We need to submit a proposal to SODC to facilitate release of monies. Clerk to liaise with Cate Teideman. To be on agenda for next meeting.

f. Re-planting of trees in Parish – Clerk to pursue advice re appropriate species.

5. **Vacancy on Parish Council.**

Mr John Savell of 8 North Close, Tiddington introduced himself to the Parish Council. His co-option was proposed by Mrs Knight and seconded by Mr Price. Clerk to meet Mr Savell to complete necessary paperwork. To be on agenda for next meeting.

6. **Drainage works in village. Apparent slowness of project.**

Clerk to liaise with John Willis, who is in contact with John Howells MP re unresolved highways matters. On another highways issue, Clerk to speak to Mack Wise re ownership of allotments regarding overgrown trees which are causing problems with telephone lines. To be on agenda for next meeting.

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

Questionnaire is ready to go to print. Quotations for printing are being sought. It is intended that questionnaire will be delivered to homes before end September and will be collected back. Distributors are being trained. More distributors are needed. Forms will be anonymous and OCC will collate results. The form should take 15-20 minutes to complete. The coffee mornings are very popular. The work of the committee continues.

8. Policing matters.

No representative was present. Clerk read report from Wheatley Neighbourhood Police Team. Mrs Horne said that she had been unable to contact Sgt Hookham re attending future meetings.

9. Open discussion.

David Turner reported that there are 2 one day courses for motorcyclists aimed at reducing accidents. The courses are on 22 September in Abingdon and 20 October in Witney. Oxfordshire has won an award for treatment of food waste.

Ten young people from Abingdon organised a football match for blind and visually impaired Youngsters, raising money for two local charities.

There has been a small reduction in reported incidents of rogue trading in Oxfordshire.

Steve Harrod reported that residents can leave household batteries out in a small sandwich or freezer bag on top of the green bin in recycling week. Small electrical items can be recycled by leaving them in the pink recycling banks at Thame cattle market.

SODC, through A2Dominion, provide support to victims of domestic abuse. 32 victims and their families were helped during the year from April 2011.

The Thame Neighbourhood Plan has been published for consultation. Comments can be made by 3 October 2012.

A consultation on proposed changes to the listed building consent process has been carried out. The council has expressed concerns regarding the timing of and short period for response to the consultation.

22 first time buyers have been helped onto the property ladder via the SODC Equity Loan Scheme.

Applications are invited for young achievers awards, open to residents between 11 and 18.

Awards are up to £250, with three different categories. Closing date is 21 December 2012.

The Community Investment Fund is open for grants up to £15000 until 26 October 2012.

Communities are encouraged to give some thought to the infrastructure they will need to accommodate new development planned in their areas. Such infrastructure can be obtained through S106 agreements and through the Community Infrastructure Levy

Mrs Knight asked for copy for the next Newsletter by 17 September.

Mrs Horne said that Tiddington road signs need clearing of weeds.

Mr Price said that before plantings are laid in area in Albury Lane, the area needs to be treated with weed killer. Budget of £60 proposed by Mrs Knight and seconded by Mrs Draper.

There is still a problem with dog mess. To be mentioned again in Newsletter. Clerk to chase up SODC re signage.

Clerk asked if it might be appropriate to put something on signs in front of Village Hall re post office facility. To contact Alan Stratton.

Clerk to get Highways Engineer to make site visit to look at overgrown trees/hedgerows along London Road.

10. Planning matters:

P12/S1171/FUL – Tiddington Cricket Club Albury View Tiddington – Single storey side extension to beer store. Minor. Application withdrawn.

11. Correspondence:

None other than arising under other headings.

12. Financial matters:

Budget review. Clerk presented budget review to 31 August. Councillors to consider figures and to be on agenda for next meeting.

Completion of audit. Audit completed and unqualified certificate signed off. Notice of completion of audit has been put on noticeboard.

BDO LLP – Audit fee £162.00. Proposed Mrs Knight seconded Mr Price.

Wheatley Park School – request for donation to prize giving. £50 proposed Mr Price seconded Mrs Knight.

Playsafety Limited – annual inspection £82.80. Proposed MRS Draper seconded Mrs Knight.

Robinsons Garden Care –	mowing church yard	144.00
	mowing playing field	<u>84.00</u>
		<u>228.00</u>

Proposed Mr Price seconded Mrs Knight.
Subscription to ORCC to be on agenda for next meeting.

13. Date of next meeting
Monday 1 October 2012.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.10pm.