

**PISHILL WITH STONOR PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of Meeting held at The Crown Inn, Pishill  
on Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

<u>Present</u>	Mr. T. Dunn	Chairman
	Mr. S. Stracey	Vice-Chairman
	Mr. R. Collett	
	Mr. S. Haq	
	Mr. R. Hunt	
	Mrs. P. Pearce	Parish Clerk

Also present: 2 parishioners: The Hon. William Stonor, Mr. M. Williams  
1 member of the public: Mr. S. Brock

71/19 Apologies for absence None

72/19 Declarations of interests and dispensations re: items on the agenda None

73/19 Public participation re: items on the agenda Item 6

74/19 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2019  
These were agreed as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman

75/19 Matters Arising from Parish Council Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2019 None

76/19 Planning Applications

The Chairman took questions and responses from the councillors and members of the public.

i) Mr. Mark Williams requested that Mr. S Brock should ensure that recent damage to the village green at Russells Water, caused by heavy delivery vehicles servicing the site adjacent to Marigay, should be repaired.

Mr. Brock responded with assurances that the repair/reinstatement of the verges and the village green would definitely take place, but explained that it would be more beneficial if the repairs/reinstatement were carried out in the drier weather.

Mr. Brock undertook to request that short wheel-base grab-loaders and delivery vehicles are used. Parish councillors stated that the passing places at Russells Water, and on the Common, are not to be used as 'lay-bys', as they are essential to ensuring the free passage of all vehicles. Mr. Brock informed the councillors that Mr. Richard Slotover has kindly agreed to allow three vehicles to park at Russells Water Farm (not at 'The Lookout'). Mr. Brock stated that it is his aim that Russells Water village green, including the verges, should be reinstated to a condition similar to, or better than, that when construction first began. If there are any concerns, he asks that he is contacted directly – email: [seb.brock@debrecq.com](mailto:seb.brock@debrecq.com).

Q: When is the proposed completion date?

A: Hopefully by May 2020, with the roof being installed early in the new year.

Q: Does the parish council request short-wheel base vehicles at the time of the planning consultation?

A: No, but the parish council does request that damage to verges, etc., is made good on completion of a contract.

P19/S0653/FUL Turville Park Farm PC fully supports; SODC decision awaited

P19/S1743/HH Rose Cottage, RW amnd PC no objection, supports Swyncombe PC views.  
SODC decision awaited

P19/S2215/RM Marigay res. mttrs PC objects; SODC approval 9/10/19

76/19 Planning Applications (cont)

P19/S2324/FUL Bank Farm, Pishill	PC no objection; SODC approval 10/10/19
P19/S2443/FUL Marigay, RW, garage	PC objects with letter; SODC approval 9/10/19
P19/S2653/FUL Green Patch, RW	PC objects, supported Swyncombe PC; SODC approval 28/10/19
P19/S2655/HH Thatcher's, RW	PC objects, supports Swyncombe PC; SODC decision awaited.
P19/S2331/DIS Land adj Marigay amn	PC objects; SODC fully discharged
P19/S3404/LB Highclere, Pishill Bank	PC fully supports; SODC decision awaited.
P19/S4023/LB Thatcher's, RW	PC objects, supports Swyncombe PC; SODC decision awaited

- ii) P19/S2872/FUL Horseshoe Cottage, RW: The Chairman invited comments from a parishioner: "this is an invalid application, as it is against the law to erect gates on common land". The Parish Councillors agreed and considered that SODC should place an Order to remove the gates immediately, which SODC should enforce. Additionally it is noted that the application is for one gate only, whereas three have been erected. This will also be pointed out to SODC in the parish consultation response.

PC objects with letter; SODC decision awaited.

TD/PP

77/19 Defibrillators

- a) Celebration arrangements All parishioners have been invited to the celebration which will be held at The Crown, Pishill on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 6 p.m. Dr. David White, a recent heart attack survivor who was kept alive with a local defibrillator, will cut the ribbon and make a short speech. District Cllr. Anna Badcock will attend, also Ms. Sarah Roberts (Millie's Dream) with her daughter Millie, and Suzanne Stickley who will give a defibrillator demonstration following the official opening. A glass of wine, soft drink, tea or coffee will be served. The parish council had also invited County Councillor Stephen Harrod and a representative of the Doris Field Charitable Trust, but both had regretfully declined.
- b) Continuing maintenance Regular maintenance of the defibrillators is required. It was suggested that this could be carried out by the owner of The Crown and the tenant of The Five Horseshoes. Mr. Richard Hunt undertook to maintain the defibrillator at Upper Assendon Farm. Full instructions are expected shortly, which the Clerk will relay. PP

78/19 Parish Communications

- a) Mobile phone coverage Mr. Haq was unable to report any progress.
- b) BT poles on B480 objection A letter of objection was sent by the Chairman to BT on 16/10/19. The response was unhelpful and it would appear that there is no means of having the poles removed, in spite of there being no other telegraph poles in the vicinity, all services being underground.
- c) Propsd imprvmnt of website The Clerk had emailed Vision ICT twice asking for a full breakdown of costs, but this had not yet been received. b/f
- d) Noticeboard at Pishill Since the installation of the defibrillator at The Crown, there is no noticeboard available in Pishill. Mr. Dunn and Mr. Stracey will ask the owner whether there is a possibility that the notice board could be placed on the opposite side of the road in the parking area. TD/SS

- 79/19 Roads
- a) B480 Still in poor repair in places. Clerk to contact OCC again. PP
  - b) Replacement 30 mph signs A parishioner had contacted OCC Highways and some 30mph signs had been replaced.
  - c) Traffic mtg with Watlington PC Mr.Dunn had not heard anything further from Watlington Parish Council b/f
  - d) Sign cleaning in parish The Clerk was asked to contact OCC again. PP
  - e) Ditches The ditches along Balham’s Lane and opposite 100 Hills Vineyard need clearing. The Clerk will contact OCC to request that they take action. PP
  - f) Snow clearance Mr. Collett requested that any snow clearance should be continued from Maidensgrove up to the B481 junction at Russells Water. Agreed unanimously. Clerk to contact DRC contracting. PP
  - g) Swale ditch in Stonor Park This has not been properly finished. The Clerk had contacted OCC for action, but had been informed on 20/11/19 by Mr. Matt Archer (Communities) that ‘the team is very busy at the moment’. The liner is not fixed and a replacement liner may be required; the pond generally is looking very unsatisfactory. The Clerk will contact OCC again. PP
- 80/19 Commons Report
- a) Gated footpath at Ruslls Wtr See 76/19 (ii)
  - b) Missing notices at Maidnsgrve Mr. Hunt reported that these had been replaced.
  - c) Comrcial dog walking Mgve Nothing to report
  - d) Driving on commons Currently serious. Vehicles have been seen frequently and tracks are very visible. The Clerk will remind parishioners that it is permissible to dial ‘999’ to report such activity. PP
  - e) Driving on fields See above
- 81/19 Footpaths Report Nothing to report
- 82/19 Neighbourhood Watch proposal The Clerk will contact parishioners in the new year. PP
- 83/19 Refuse and Waste Management Nothing to report
- 84/19 Administration
- a) Parish Council Standing Orders Mr.Collett and the Clerk had received the NALC Standing Order template, which had been modified and emailed to all Parish Councillors. The updated Parish Council Standing Orders were accepted unanimously and duly signed by the Chairman and Clerk. They replace the 1987 version currently used.
  - b) Clerk’s Contract The Clerk’s Contract is currently being assessed and will be finalised before the next meeting. RC/PP
- 85/19 VE Day remembrance May 2020 Arrangements for the VE Remembrance Day were discussed and it was agreed unanimously that the Parish Council should support the efforts being made by the Russells Water Village Hall Committee. Clerk to inform the Chairman of the Village Hall Committee, Mr. Adrian de Segundo. PP

86/19 Finance

- a) Bank statement The Clerk reported that the Community Account balance stands at £12,808.23 with £6.76 in the Flexible Current Account.
- b) Receipts and payments Cheque issued since last meeting:  
Ch.no: 100585 “Millie’s Dream” (elec.work for defibs) £180.00  
Cheque drawn at meeting:  
Ch.no: 100586 P.A.Pearce (Clks wgs 9 wks @ £84pw + £10.82 exps.) £766.82
- c) CIL Funding It was proposed that the finger post at the Balham’s Lane/ B480 junction should be renovated. The Clerk to contact Mr.Brian Allum of Allum signs to request an estimate. PP  
([allumsigns@aol.com](mailto:allumsigns@aol.com)) If sandblasting is required, an estimate from J.R. Hill Ltd will be requested. PP  
The Clerk produced figures for litter picking equipment. SH  
Mr. Haq volunteered to re-assess these and report at the next meeting.
- d) Future accounting Swale ditch clearance – see 79/19(g)  
Discussion took place on the advisability of updating the method of accounting. Currently this is by Cash Book entries, but this could be replaced by an online system, possibly Quickbooks, which would facilitate payments and reconciliation of accounts, in addition to allowing the internal auditor to carry out the annual internal audit more easily. It was agreed that Mr. Haq would research this proposal and report back to the SH parish councillors.
- e) Budget and Precept The Clerk had emailed the budget to all parish councillors. This was discussed and it was agreed that, in view of the increased costs of running the parish council and the possibility of replacing the current system of accounting (see (d) above), a Precept of £6000.00 should be requested for the forthcoming financial year. This was agreed unanimously and the Clerk was asked to inform SODC accordingly. PP

87/19 Date, place and time of next meeting

To be confirmed: Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at The Village Hall, Russells Water, or The Crown Pishill, 7.00 pm.

Close of Meeting

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman thanked those for attending and declared the meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.

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Chairman

