

**PISHILL WITH STONOR PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of Parish Council Meeting**  
**held at The Village Hall, Russells Water**  
**21<sup>st</sup> February 2023 at 7.00 p.m.**

Present: Mr T. Dunn Chairman  
Mr. S. Stracey Vice-Chairman  
Mr. R. Collett  
Mr. S. Haq  
Mr. R. Hunt  
(Mrs F. Hunt)  
Mrs P. Pearce Parish Clerk

Also present: Mr. R. Warner, Ms Ilina Singh, Mr John Isaac

The Chairman welcomed all those attending

- 01/23 To receive apologies for absence: Mr A de Segundo
- 02/23 To receive declarations of interest and dispensations re: items on the Agenda None
- 03/23 To agree Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022  
The Council resolved to accept the Minutes as a true record, duly signed by the Chairman
- 04/23 To discuss matters arising None
- 05/23 Resignation of Cllr Richard Hunt and co-option of Parish Councillor Mr Hunt had resigned at the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> November and, following the required public advertisement and notification to SODC Electoral Services, Mrs Felicity Hunt had agreed to be co-opted to the Parish Council. Mrs. Hunt completed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form, witnessed by the Clerk. Clerk will inform SODC accordingly PP
- 06/23 To invite public participation re: items on the Agenda  
Mr John Isaac and Ms Ilina Singh addressed the meeting on the difficulty which they are experiencing in achieving broadband connectivity in Balham's Lane. (Refer to item 15/23)
- 07/23 To receive reports on Planning Applications:  
P22/S3205/FUL Maidensgrove Farm - Planning Permission on 13/12/2022  
P22/S3363/FUL Grove Farm, Pishill – Conversion of barn etc - SODC refusal 6/2/23  
P22/S3363/FUL Amendment no: 1 - Grove Farm Pishill consultation date 6/12/22 (as above)  
P22/S3646/S73 Square House, Russells Water - Planning Permission on 30/11/2022  
P22/S4449/HH Chapel Wells Church Hill Pishill RG9 6HJ - Planning Permission 19/1/23  
P22/S4601/FUL The Stables Russells Water - PC objected; SODC decision awaited  
P22/S4653/LB Stonor Park Stonor RG9 6HF – PC approved; SODC Listed Bldg consent 13/3/23  
P23/S0090/HH Waldon House Stonor RG9 6HB - PC no comment; SODC decision awaited  
P23/S0247/FUL Chapel Wells Church Hill Pishill – cons date 24/2/23  
P23/S0347LB The Old Almshouse, Stonor – replacement 12 windows -cons date 24/2/23  
Land adjacent to The Orchard, Russells Water Mr.Collett reported that there had been no changes made.
- 08/23 To receive report on parish communications  
Mr Haq reported that, in his experience, the network provided by EE is superior to that provided by BT.
- 09/23 To receive Commons Report  
a) Driving on Commons Mr Collett had circulated photographs of recent activity near to Lower Nuttall's, but no other recent activity.  
b) Replacement 5 metal signs on Maidensgrove Common The signs had been received from Nuneaton Signs Ltd and are in storage at the Clerk's house. Mr Stracey will collect them in due course and make arrangements for their installation. SS  
c) Driving on fields Quiet at present.

- 10/23 Finance and Administration
- a) To report on Bank Balances  
Barclays Community Account £12,541.26  
Barclays Flexible Current Account £58.79
- b) VAT return - The Clerk reported that the VAT return had been submitted, in the sum of £542.95
- c) To agree ratification of cheques issued since last meeting and payment of the following from the Community Account:  
Ratification:  
Ch.no: 100666 Nettlebed Gd Nbrs - Comet/Handy bus donation £292.50  
100667 DRC Contracting - winter gritting £506.40  
100668 Nuneaton Signs Ltd - 5 replacement Commons signs £576.00  
Issued at Meeting:  
Ch.no: 100669 Village Hall, RW Mtg hire (1wk @ hr @£12 ph) £ 12.00  
100670. Cancelled  
100671 HMRC - PAYE £224.24  
100672 P.A.Pearce wages(13wks = 91hrs @ £13.48ph less PAYE +£35.04 exps 1037.48
- d) Councillors reviewed and approved the Financial Regulations and Register of Members' Interests which are confirmed as unchanged; Data Protection regulations were audited and agreed.
- 11/23 To receive Commons Report Some evidence of driving has been noted (see 09/23a)
- 12/23 To receive Footpaths Report Nothing to report
- 13/23 Refuse & Waste Collection
- a) To receive Refuse & Waste Collection report  
Mr.Haq reported that a Duke of Edinburgh's Award candidate was currently assisting with regular litter collection.
- B) To discuss Litter Blitz arrangements for 2023, inc. possible sign cleaning  
This was discussed and agreed 11th/12th March as Litter Blitz weekend.  
Mr.Haq will co-ordinate and the Clerk will contact Mr. Godfrey for assistance SH  
In Pishill and Mrs Phipps for assistance in Russells Water and Maidensgrove. PP  
She will also contact Biffa for collection from Upper Assendon Farm, Stonor
- 14/23 To discuss preliminary ideas for the Coronation Weekend:
- a) Coronation Big Lunch on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023  
The Councillors discussed the options of holding a Big Lunch at either Hollandridge Farm or White Pond Farm, by kind permission of Mr Dunn and Mr Stracey. HM The King has suggested that lamb be served and Mr Stracey SS will research the provision of this.  
It was noted that there is likely to be a Big Lunch event organised by The Village Hall, Russells Water.
- b) 'The Big Help Out', Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May  
The Clerk will invite parishioners, via the Mailing List, to suggest suitable projects PP for this date.
- 15/23 Matters for discussion at the discretion of the Chairman
- a) Mr Isaac and Ms Singh have requested assistance with their Broadband connection in Balham's Lane, TD  
The Councillors informed them that the connection must be supplied by a 'provider' and Mr.Dunn agreed to email them details of the Digital Infrastructure contact at Oxfordshire County Council to see if they could help tapping into the fibre line in the road. If this was not possible then Village Networks is a reliable alternative, but relies on line of sight from Stonor Park. Mr Stracey agreed to assist with a 'repeater' if necessary. SS
- b) Mr Dunn reported that an invitation to the late Lord Camoys' Memorial Service has been received including all Parish Councillors. The Service is to be held at Westminster Cathedral beginning at 2.30 pm on 21st April 2023, followed by a reception at the Fishmongers' Hall, City of London. Guests are asked to be seated by 2.15pm, and a coach is kindly being provided from Stonor to the Cathedral. Parish Councillors are to respond individually. ALL

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16/23 Date, time and place of next meeting : To be confirmed - Tuesday, 4th April 2023, 7.00 p.m. at The Village Hall, Russells Water

Close of meeting: There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman thanked all those for attending and declared the meeting closed at 7.50 pm.

.....Chairman

