

PISHILL WITH STONOR PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of Meeting held at The Village Hall, Russells Water
on Wednesday, 15th January 2020**

<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

No members of the public present.

1/20 Apologies for absence None

2/20 Declarations of interests and dispensations re: items on the agenda None

3/20 Public participation re: items on the agenda No public present

4/20 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 27th November 2019
These were agreed as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.

5/20 Matters Arising from Parish Council Meeting held on 27th November 2019 None

6/20 Planning Applications

P19/S0653/FUL Turville Park Farm	SODC decision awaited
P19/S1743/HH Rose Cottage, RW Amd	SODC approval 20/12/19
P19/S2655/HH Thatcher's, RW	SODC approval 15/1/20
P19/S2872/FUL Horseshoe Cttge, RW	SODC decision awaited
P19/S3404/LB Highclere, Pishill Bank	SODC listed bldg. approval 11/12/19
P19/S4023/LB Thatcher's, RW	Withdrawn prior to SODC decision
P19/S4232/HH Cherry Orchard Cttge	SODC approval 2/1/20
P19/S2655/HH Thatcher's, RW Amd 2	SODC approval 15/1/20
P20/S0058/HH Cromwell Ctge 19 Stonor PC	fully supports, SODC decision awaited.
P20/S0083/LB Cromwell Ctge 19 Stonor PC	fully supports, SODC decision awaited.

7/20 Defibrillators

- a) Celebration and training event The celebration was very well attended at The Crown, Pishill on 4th December. Dr. David White gave a brief speech and cut the ribbon, Sarah Roberts and her daughter Millie attended as did Cllr. Anna Badcock. A training session was given by Suzanne Stickley of First Aid Matters (Henley) and a report, with photograph, appeared on the front page of the Henley Standard. Light refreshments were provided. The event was considered very successful.
- b) Continuing maintenance, volunteers for rota The Clerk has been attempting to arrange a convenient date for meeting Sarah Roberts regarding the continuing maintenance, this is still to take place. Mr. Hunt and Mr. Haq both volunteered to join forces in checking the defibrillators when required. b/f

8/20 Parish Communications

- a) Mobile phone coverage Mr. Hunt reported that the generator is still operating, but the mast is not connected. Mr. Hunt will contact the agents to the Evelyn Trust, on whose land the mast is situated, to ascertain the current position. The generator receives a weekly visit for refuelling.

8/20 Parish Communications (cont)

- b) Proposed website improvement The Clerk gave details of the Vision ICT annual costs. After discussion, the Councillors agreed to retain the current website format.
- c) Noticeboard Pishill The Crown Inn is currently closed. Mr. Dunn and Mr. Stracey will speak to the owner regarding the removed noticeboard when The Crown is re-opened. TD/SS
- d) OALC Face-to-Face Legal Advice This event on 7th April 2020 was brought to the attention of the Parish Councillors.

9/20 Roads

- a) B480 Still requires extensive repair, or resurfacing. The Clerk has contacted OCC on numerous occasions, but no action has been forthcoming. Clerk to continue pressure. PP
- b) Sign cleaning in parish The Clerk reported that Mr. Martin Hoare, of Stonor, had very kindly cleaned the Stonor signs. Mr. Dunn will write a letter of thanks. TD/PP
- c) Ditches As requested at the previous meeting, the Clerk had contacted OCC but, although a response had been received from Mr. Matt Archer, no action had been forthcoming. Accordingly, the Parish Councillors proceeded with their decision at the November meeting - to contact Mr. Philip Shaw to undertake the work, which will be funded through the CIL monies available. Mr. Hunt and Mr. Stracey will contact Mr. Shaw to make the necessary arrangements, and will assist him with the removal of spoil etc. RH/SS
- d) Snow clearance As instructed at the November meeting, the Clerk had made arrangements with Mr. Derek Cheriton to clear snow from Maidensgrove Common road to its junction with the B481. To be funded through CIL.
- e) Swale ditch, Stonor Pk The clearance of the swale ditch is the responsibility of OCC but, again, this has not been carried out. In view of the risk of flooding property, it was unanimously agreed that Mr. Philip Shaw should be contacted to carry out this vital work (see 79/20(c)). To be funded through CIL.

10/20 Commons Report

- a) Gated footpath, RW Planning approval for the erection of the gates was being sought, but the application has been withdrawn (P19/S2872/FUL). b/f
- b) Commercial dog walking This has become less of a problem recently.
- c) Driving on Commons Considerable activity at present, with visible tracks across the commons. The Clerk was asked to remind parishioners of the necessity of dialling 999 immediately any incidents are taking place, confirming their report through the Thames Valley Police Antisocial Behaviour website. The Police are extremely keen to tackle rural crime and emailing such a report reinforces the need for better rural resources. PP
- d) Driving on fields See (c) above. Considerable activity, with two deer being killed by vehicles at Hollandridge.

11/20 Footpaths Report

Currently very muddy, but nothing else to report.

- 12/20 Neighbour' d Watch proposal The Clerk had emailed parishioners on the Distribution List. resulting in one volunteer co-ordinator for Maidensgrove, three people in Stonor wished to know more, no responses from residents either in Pishill or Russells Water. The Parish Councillors discussed the matter, concluding that such a Scheme may be somewhat outdated in the light of current social media. Mr. Haq volunteered to ascertain what other methods could be used to communicate, suggesting that possibly 'Group.IO' may be suitable. Such a method would allow parishioners to 'post' items, as well as parish councillors and the clerk, giving a more immediate response. Mr.Haq will report his findings at the next meeting. SH
- 13/20 Refuse and Waste Management Generally nothing to report.
- a) Litter Blitz date and arrangements Litter Blitz date: weekend of 7th/8thMarch 2020. Mr.Hunt will be the overall co-ordinator, with Mr. Haq dealing with the Stonor area. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr.Guy Godfrey and Mrs. Brenda Phipps to enquire whether they would be willing to co-ordinate Pishill and Russells Water/Maidensgrove respectively. Mr.Hunt will collect all filled bags for collection by SODC. The Clerk will contact Alexandra Pyle at SODC (Alexandra.Pyle@southandvale.gov.uk) for equipment etc., including a request for the collection after the Litter Blitz has taken place. PP
- 14/20 Administration
- a) Clerk's Contract This has been prepared and Mr. Collett will verify it on behalf of the Parish Council. RC/PP
- 15/20 VE Day remembrance May 2020 The Clerk confirmed that the Russells Water Village Hall Committee Chairman, Mr. Adrian de Segundo, had been informed of the PC support.
- 16/20 Finance
- a) Bank statement The Clerk reported that the Community Account balance stands at £11,802.41 and the Flexible Current Account at £6.76.
- b) Receipts and payments
Cheques drawn at meeting:
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| Ch.no: 100587 The Village Hall, RW (mtg hire 15/1/20 1 ½ hrs @ £12 ph) | £ 18.00 |
| 100588 P.A. Pearce (Clerk's wages 25/11/19-12/1/20 8 wks @ £84 +tel exps £20) | £692.00 |
| 100589 The Crown Inn, Pishill (mtg hire 24/11/19 2 hrs @£12 ph + refreshments for defibrillator event and training) | £131.00 |
- c) CIL Funding Snow clearance and ditch maintenance See 9/20 (c, d and e)
- Sign refurbishment
The Clerk had received a quotation of £1,480.00. from Brian Allum Sign Writers. (VAT is not included as Mr.Allum is not registered). This was discussed by the parish councillors, who considered the quote to be too expensive.
- Litter picking equipment SH
After discussion, it was agreed that Mr. Haq would obtain figures for the purchase of 20 litter pickers, similar to those provided by the District Council, and 20 hi-viz vests. These would be available to parishioners throughout the year. To be discussed at the next meeting.

16/20 Finance (cont)

d) Precept The Clerk had informed SODC of the Precept request of £6000.00

17/20 Date, place and time of next meeting To be confirmed: Wednesday, 18th March 2020, 7.00 p.m., at
either The Village Hall, Russells Water or The Crown Inn, Pishill. PP

Close of Meeting There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

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Chairman