

PISHILL WITH STONOR PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of Parish Council Meeting
held The Barn, White Pond Farm
on Thursday 23rd July 2026 at 6.30 pm**

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

Also present: Ms A Gresneyer, Dr B Snell, Dr N Snell, Mrs L Wigfull

- 55/26 To receive apologies for absence Mr A Segundo, Cllr B Higgins
- 56/26 To receive declarations of interest and dispensations re: items on the agenda None
- 57/26 To approve minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held on 26th May 2026 Approved unanimously and duly signed by the Chairman
- 58/26 To approve minutes of Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 26th May 2026 Approved unanimously and duly signed by the Chairman,
- 59/26 To discuss any matters arising from Annual Parish Council and Annual Meetings Nothing to discuss
- 60/26 To invite public participation re: items on the Agenda: 63/26a; 63/26b; 63/26c; 68/26
- 61/26 To receive reports on planning applications:
- a) P26/S2179/HH - Cherry Orchard, Pishill – Consultation ends 4th August, councillors to discuss ALL
 - b) P26/S2139/LB The Old Almshouse, Stonor – Consultation ends 7th August – unanimously agreed to support PP
- 62/26 To receive Roads report
- a) Traffic calming proposals – to receive update
Mr Haq reported that at the meeting with OCC Highways (Mr J. Beale) it was recommended that further surveys should be conducted in Stonor and Russells Water to ascertain the level of residents' support for 20 mph. Mrs Hunt had conducted the survey; 27 houses said yes 6 houses said no, 3 houses undecided, 11 houses didn't reply (75% in favour of 20 mph, 17% not in favour of 20 mph, 8% undecided)
There was marked support for 'flashing' signs. The cost of these is extremely high; they were considered by the parish council but were dismissed due to cost and vandalism.
Mr Beale had indicated that there is a fresh round of finance available at OCC at present
The councillors agreed to make an application, which will require support from our County Councillor, Mr Ben Higgins.
At the time of the meeting, the Russells Water survey had not been finalised.
A parishioner requested that a survey be carried out in Pishill centred on the straight section before The Crown public house. Following the survey please could consideration be given to providing some form of traffic calming? SH/PP
 - b) Dr B Snell stressed the need for some form of traffic calming on the B480 adjacent to the Old School, Pishill, where the road narrows and pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders are very vulnerable. The parish council will investigate the provision of 'slow' or 'pedestrian in road' signs at the corner near to Pishill Farm and by The Crown. PP
Mr Haq gave information regarding the problems experienced by the parish council in proceeding with provision of mobile speed indicator signs, in that the batteries are stolen rendering the equipment unserviceable.

62/26 To receive Roads report (cont)

- c) Mrs Wigfull volunteered to enquire about the arrangements concerning traffic calming in Hambleden, Buckinghamshire

63/26 To receive report on parish communications

- a) Loss of internet The clerk explained that her internet connection had completely disappeared and apologised for the ongoing disruption. She hopes to be connected to Gigaclear shortly.
- b) Mobile phone coverage with retirement of analogue phonelines
Mr Haq had attempted to contact Cllr Higgins (OCC) without success to ascertain what arrangements would be made in rural areas where there is poor connectivity. BH/SH

64/26 Finance and Administration

- a) To report on Bank Balances
Barclays Community Account (CIL element £4576.92) £10,984.23
- b) Amenity Account £47.00
- c) To accept Internal Auditor Report The internal auditor report had been received, was discussed and accepted.
- d) To approve Risk Assessment 2026-27 Updated and agreed
- e) To review value of assets within the Asset Registers 2015 – Values were assessed and depreciation adjustments made.
- f) To review effectiveness of internal control in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulation Internal controls were assessed and confirmed to be effective.
To agree payment of the following from the Community Account
BnkTr PA Pearce (Clerks wages 15.28ph x 7pw x 8 wks) £748.72-PAYE Nil = £855.68 +expns
£20.00 =£875.68 Agreed
HMRC Nil
Barn Hire for meeting £40.00 – agreed.
To ratify
Vision ICT registration of pishillwithstonor-pc.gov.uk domain and one managed mailbox.
£114.00 – ratified

65/26 To receive Commons Report

RC/SH

- a) Driving on Commons None

66/26 To receive Footpaths Report

Mrs Hunt reported that Mrs Bryony Lewis had been informed that the stile near to Lodge Farm was broken.

67/26 To receive report on Refuse & Waste Collection

Mr Haq reported that brown garden waste bins had not been collected, but this has now been rectified. The refuse collection is satisfactory but, following a report to Biffa, it can take a long time for any missed bins to be emptied .

68/26 Matters for discussion at the discretion of the Chairman

- a) The Chairman announced the very sad and unexpected death of Mr Peter Collings, a long-standing resident of Stonor, who was very active in the Stonor Cricket Club, amongst other interests. The parish councillors will be sending a letter of condolence to Mr Collings' family. PP
- b) The death of Mr Collings has given rise to concerns regarding the provision of defibrillators in the parish. There are three under the jurisdiction of Pishill with Stonor, one at Upper Assendon Farm, one at The Crown, Pishill and one at the Five Horseshoes, Maidensgrove.331

68/26 Matters for discussion at the discretion of the Chairman (cont)

There is also one at the Village Hall, Russells Water, maintained by the Village Hall Committee and one at Stonor Park, located near to The Theatre. The ambulance service gave details of the Stonor Park defibrillator to Mr Collings family, but the mobile phone signal is very inadequate and it appears that time may have been lost in locating the equipment.

68/26 Matters for discussion at the discretion of the Chairman (cont)

Dr Noel Snell gave details of the procedure necessary to restore circulation, which is extremely time-sensitive. It was suggested that contact be made to the British Heart Foundation to obtain leaflets outlining emergency treatment, which can then be hand-delivered to residents.

PP

It was also suggested that the 'Circuit', who maintain the three parish defibrillators should be advised that suggesting the use of the Stonor Park defibrillator is not quite as easy as one of the others.

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With respect to the defibrillator located at the Village Hall, RW, a report has been received that the cabinet has been broken into and three packets of pads are missing.

69/26 Date, time and place of next meeting Tuesday, 29th September 2026, The Village Hall, Russells Water, 7.00 p.m.

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There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

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Chairman