

WYRE PIDDLER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council duly convened and held in the Village Hall, Wyre Piddle on **Thursday 29th September 2016** commencing at 7.30 pm

Present Councillors: - D. Naraine (Chairman)
G Smout
G Rogers
J Paul

In attendance: - D Taverner – Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer

Apologies recorded: - Cllr N Wood, County Cllr Mrs L Tucker

1/9/16 Declarations of Interest

a) Register of Interests: Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interests: There were none.

b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature: There were none

c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature: There were none.

2/9/16 To Consider Written Requests from Councillors for the Council to Grant a Dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011)

No such requests had been received

3/9/16 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 25th August, 2016

The minutes of the meeting is meeting which had been held on 25th August were approved and signed by the Chairman has a correct record.

4/9/16 Matters arising from the minutes.

There were none

5/9/16 Adjournment of the meeting to allow for questions on council business from parishioners

1. Gary Robinson asked if a letter of thanks could be sent to the County Council officers responsible for overseeing the excellent standard of the resurfacing work undertaken on the Main Road through the village.
2. It was noted that the new traffic signal arrangements at the Eastern bridge seemed to working efficiently

6/9/16 Planning: applications and decision notices

[16/01980](#) Pidele House, Main Road, Wyre Piddle reconstruction of landing stage

There were no objections to this application

7/9/16 Community events update

Notes for Parish Council Meeting 29 September 2016

Carrie Oakley had submitted the following report

Reporting on the Piddle Post, Facebook Page, Joined Up Entertainments and Wychavon Sport's Parish Games

PIDDLE POST

Issue 89 (September 2016) was very much about the Volunteers and Fund Raisers, thanking everyone for everything they do. This followed receipt of a

letter that was put through my door from a resident expressing appreciation for all of the events within Wyre Piddle and acknowledging how much hard work goes into putting on even the smallest of things.

We are just about to distribute Issue No. 90 which is more about things to do as the nights draw in. – I still intend to reach Issue 100 but I think by then it will be time to pass the Piddle Post on to someone else as I think I will have run out of ink...

Through the Piddle Post, I periodically send out emails to the approx. 70 email addresses I have in the village to provide updates between issues and recently sent one out regarding the road closure for resurfacing as I had received quite a few messages asking what it was all about and what was going to happen. It is quite a useful communication medium but I don't like to over use as we can all get fed up receiving too many emails.

The road works did seem to be well planned and executed...

FACEBOOK

Katie Joyce is continuing to manage the Facebook page www.facebook.com/wyrepiddlecommunity and I note that random photos of villagers and village events as well upcoming events, such as W.I. meetings and talks feature on this useful resource.

JOINED UP ENTERTAINMENTS

JUE – we have been 'resting' since the back to back events of the Street Party and the Summer Fete in June but will be meeting up soon to discuss the next round of events including Coffee and Cakes following the Act of Remembrance on Sunday November 13th, the Children's Christmas Party on Saturday December 17 and Christmas Carols and Mulled Wine on the Village Green on Christmas Eve – apologies if I am the first to mention the 'C' word...

WYCHAVON SPORT (Parish Games)

Whilst I do think we are completely brilliant, I do not think we are going to reach the top 5 placing which we have consistently achieved in the preceding 5 years. Yes we have entered everything and yes our placings have been similar but, more teams are entering more events now and eating up more points as a consequence.

We still have the Senior and Junior Table Tennis One Day Events to go on Sunday 9 October – In the Knock Out Events we really did have some unlucky draws meeting teams in Round 1 who won the whole event last year! - We got knocked out in the 1st Round of Men's and Women's Darts, Skittles and Crib. We got knocked out in the 2nd Round in the Dominoes but we are still in the Pool!!!! – so there are still more points to come but I just don't think it will be enough.

That said, team spirit is fabulous, the Team Captains are awesome and people talk about the Games now in a way that suggests the village has taken ownership and takes pride in participating. Whilst we work hard to earn the points and of course we want to win, in this case, taking part might just be the thing that really counts...

I am unlikely to attend the next Parish Council Meeting as it clashes with the The Presentation Evening is on Thursday 24 November in Bretforten, where the final results will be revealed.

The Chairman thanked Carrie for her report and the excellent work she was continuing to carry out on behalf of the Parish.

8/9/16 Finance

a) To approve payment of Accounts

The following accounts were approved for payment: -

cheque	Payee	For	£
901174	HMRC	paye & nat ins September	202.64
901175	D M Taverner	clerk alary september	269.91
901176	P Hurst	lengthsman scheme payment	865.51
901177	New Farm grounds mtnce	grass cutting	1,436.40

b) Bank account balances at 29th September, 2016

The Clerk circulated details of the Council bank reconciliation statement as at 29th September. Bank balances at that date were represented by; -

	£
Bank Current account	4,230.95
Bank Deposit account	29,902.51
National Savings account	13,841.78

Total Cash held at 29th September, 2016

47,975.24

Members were shown sight of the relevant bank statements for verification purposes.

c) Annual Audit return 2015/16. The Annual return had been agreed and signed off by Grant Thornton LLP and there were no issues arising.

9/9/16 Report from Lengthsman and related repair and maintenance projects

Peter Hurst was again thanked for the excellent work that he had undertaken to the maintenance of the grass verges and other repair projects throughout the village. A claim for £865.61 for work undertaken under the scheme had been submitted to the County Council for reimbursement.

10/9/16 Poplar Avenue Play Area update

Further details of indicative replacement / updated play equipment for the Poplar Avenue play area had been received. The Chairman and Clerk were meeting to finalise grant funding bids and it was hoped that the refurbished play area facility would be opened by the early spring in 2017.

11/9/16 Smiths Meadow

Cllr Paul advised that he had been in contact with the District Council regarding the permissions required for the construction of a landing stage at the bottom of Smith's meadow and that he would present an update report on this intended project once further information from Wychavon had been received. Two of the benches in Smiths Meadow had been unbolted and had been secured back in place by the Parish Lengthsman.

12/7/16 Roads and pavements maintenance

The main road through the Village had now been resurfaced by the County Council's Highways team to an excellent standard.

13/7/16 Date of next meeting: Thursday 24th November, 2016

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.10pm

Chairman

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24th November, 2016