

MARCHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting Marchington Village Hall 9th January 2018

Present

Cllr Morgan, Cllr Mann, Cllr Hayhurst, Cllr Hayes, Cllr Chubb, Cllr Husey, Cllr Ford, Cllr Darby,
Cllr Nixon.

Ward Cllr Smith,

2 members of the public

PCSO Lucy Hadfield

Parish Clerk – Catherine Thompson

1. Apologies for Absence – None Received.

2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations.

Cllr Husey – Marchington Shop – Item 7a-i

Cllr Mann – Marchington Village Hall – Item 7a- i

3. Public Participation –

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting – Approval of minutes of meeting held on 12th December 2017 (previously circulated)

Proposed – Cllr Mann

Seconded – Cllr Chubb

5. Matters of Report/Discussion of Public Participation – Matters arising from Minutes of Public Participation not included elsewhere on the Agenda – None Received

6. Planning

a. Planning Applications Received.

P/2017/01606 – Church House – Church Lane – Marchington

Crown reduction to 5m in height and 4m in spread at the top and 5m in spread at the base of 1 English Yew Tree

Action – Clerk – Parish Council wish to make no comment.

b. Planning Decisions Received – None received.

c. Planning Appeals Received – None received.

d. Barracks Development & Relief Road – Meeting with ESBC - 13th December – Cllr Morgan.

Cllr Morgan fed back to Councillors about the meeting Clerk and Cllr Morgan attended at ESBC with Jeff Upton & Naomi Perry. ESBC have no plans to support any development that is not part of the local or neighbourhood plan.

Cllr Morgan has spoken to Mark Flavell chairman of Draycott Parish Council and reiterated Marchington Parish Council's response in regards to the Relief Road and development of the Barracks Site

Action – Clerk – Clarify Parish Council position to Draycott Parish Council.

e. Councillor Questions –

7. Finance and Administration

a. Precept –

- i. Voting on grants for village organisations.

Association	Amount requested	Chairman Rec	No. Cllrs able to vote	Amount voted on	For	Against	Abstentions	Final Agreed Amount
Marchington Village Hall	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	8	£2,000.00	8	-	-	£2,000.00
Woodlands Village Hall	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	9	£2,000.00	9	-	-	£2,000.00
Marchington Village Shop	£2,000.00	£650.00	8	£650.00	6	2	-	£650.00
St Johns Church - Churchyard	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	9	£2,000.00	9	-	-	£2,000.00
St Peters Church - Churchyard	£2,000.00	£2,000.00	9	£2,000.00	9	-	-	£2,000.00
Parish Magazine	£650.00	£500.00	9	£500.00	7	2	-	£500.00
Total	£10,650.00	£9,150.00						£9,150.00

- ii. Approval of budget for 2018/19 – Carry forward to February Agenda

Action - Clerk and Cllr Hayes to continue review of Grounds Maintenance quotations.

b. Report on Payments to be made

Interest	£	.32
Dove View Solar Farm Community Benefit	£12,000.00	
Total Income	£12,000.32	

Expenditure

Catherine Thompson Salary	£	450.66	
Catherine Thompson Travel & Expenses	£	16.20	Total - £466.86
Henry Hall	£	49.85	
Marchington Village Hall Room Hire	£	24.00	
Jane Hilton Reimbursement of Trees Purchased	£	266.75	
ESBC Litter Picking	£	351.00	
ESBC Trade Refuse	£	74.49	
South Staffs Water – Cricket Club	£	19.03	
Total Expenditure	£1250.98		

Account Balances as at 31st December 2017.

Gold Account - £52,967.30

Current Account - £1006.57

Proposed – Cllr Husey Seconded – Cllr Nixon

c. Councillor Questions –

8. Properties and Grounds

- a. Silver Lane Playground Report – Cllr Morgan
- b. Forestside Playground and Football Pitch Report – Cllr Hayes
- c. Green Lane Community Orchard – Mrs Hilton Proposal for trees at entrance to village. Land does not belong to Marchington Parish Council.
Action – Clerk – Respond to Mrs Hilton.
- d. Marchington Village Hall – Cllr Mann reported that a drain scan will be undertaken. Smoke machines at events are setting off the fire alarm restrictions will be needed from now on. . Hall is being well used at the moment.
- e. Marchington Cricket Club -

9. Highways and General Purpose

- a. Neighbourhood Highways Team & SCC Highways
Jacks Lane hedges have been cut back.
Still waiting for drain opposite St Peter’s Church to be cleared first reported July 2017.
Action – Clerk – report again copying in Andrew Griffiths MP and Steven Smith.
Action – All Cllrs – Report potholes to clerk
- b. Footpaths – Stile at the dingle Footpath number 1.
- c. Enforcement – Kalabarri Cottage
Action – Clerk – Contact ESBC Enforcement
- d. Councillor Questions –

10. Other Organisations – Updates and Reports

- a. Police – PCSO Hadfield spoke to the meeting. Recent arrests for smoking cannabis in Green Lane Playing Field. Increase in rural burglaries. Increase in thefts from farms. ASB anonymous calls have been received within the village. Please report anything suspicious to 101.
- b. HMP Dovegate – Meeting in February
Action – Clerk – Arrange date and circulate.
- c. ESBC –
- d. Flooding Committee – Report from Mrs Brown’s meeting with Andrew Griffiths MP. Council pleased to see some progress and will continue to pursue a solution.
- e. Councillor Questions –

11. General

- a. Chairman’s/Councillor Reports
 - i. Marchington Woodlands Village Hall
 - ii. St Peters School – Request for Funds – Cllr Hayhurst – Add to February Agenda
 - iii. Change of Speed Limit B5017 Cllr Chubb raised the issue of the number of accidents on this road. All Cllrs agreed that if possible 40mph speed limit should be extended.
Action – Clerk – Contact Richard Rayson to investigate the process & Graham Hunt for signage – Change Give Way to Stop signs on Industrial Estate and Cliff Road.
- b. Clerk Report
 - i. Forestside Issues –
Ownership of communal areas Forestside Estate – Clerk has received a map showing areas that ESBC are responsible for. Query mowing contract of Hilsea Crescent frontages.
Action – Clerk – Speak to resident about falls in Corsham Place.
 - ii. Village Signage Request – Cost prohibitive. Grants would be required to progress.
Action – Clerk – Respond to resident.
 - iii. Broadband – Marchington Woodlands – Community Partnership
Action – Clerk – Investigate options, Communal meeting may be needed
 - iv. World War One Commemoration – Flower Festival at Church
Action – All Cllrs – Forward suggestions to clerk for further discussion.
 - v. Internal Auditor Appointment for 2018.
Action – Cllr Hayhurst & Cllr Mann speak to potential candidate.
 - vi. Leek Building Society Account Update. Forms are being signed, account will be open for February meeting so as to enable transfer of Solar Farm monies.

- c. New items for discussion
 - d. Correspondence
 - Letter from Mr R Husey – Footbridge – Circulated
Cllr Husey spoke to the meeting to explain the proposal. Cllrs expressed It was agreed that there was no objection in principle to the construction of a footbridge over the Dove at the end of Green Lane. However, councillors would like to be kept informed of progress and reserved the right to suggest changes if and when they thought fit.
 - Email from Mrs Brown – meeting with Andrew Griffiths
 - Email from Andrew Griffiths MP.
 - Phone call – Noise complaints – Industrial Estate – Light pollution from Brit European.
Action – Clerk – Continue to pursue.
 - e. Councillor Questions
12. Any Other Business
- Cleaning up after your dog. Still issues particularly on Hall Lane.

Meeting closed – 9.41pm

13. **Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday February 13th – 7.30pm – Marchington Village Hall.**

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