

MARCHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

Held on: Tuesday 11th October 2011 at 7.30p.m.
 At: Marchington Village Hall

Present: Chairman Cllr. P. Frampton
 Cllrs R. Parkes, B. Darby,
 P. Nixon and Mrs J Crow. C. Leedham
 Parish Clerk Mrs L Hoptroff

ACTION

1.	<u>APOLOGIES:</u> Cllrs. G. Whitehead, M. Robinson and N. Andrew,	
2.	<u>MINUTES OF MEETING 16thAugust 2011:</u> Minutes accepted. Proposed: Cllr. Parkes. Seconded: Cllr. Mrs Crowe	
3.	<u>MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:</u>	
3.1	<u>Playgrounds:</u>	
a)	<u>Silver Lane, Marchington:</u> The Clerk reported that wood/nails had been purchased for fence repairs by the Handyman. The Handyman would also collect a stile from storage. Cllr. Parkes had submitted his report there were no problems. Chairman Frampton asked Cllrs to re- read the Annual Inspection reports before the next meeting.	All councillors
b)	<u>David Share Memorial Playground, Forestside:</u> The Clerk reported bags of sand had been purchased to put under the matting of the playarea edges where it was a trip hazard. Cllr. Robinson still to submit report. <u>Note: Since the minutes were circulated it was found that Cllr Robinson had submitted his report and this will be reviewed at the next meeting.</u>	MR
c)	<u>Green Lane:</u> The clerk reported that she and Cllr. Darby had met with Danny from Bloomin' Garden to discuss the natural areas in the Community Orchard. The subsequent quote received from Bloomin' Gardens to grade over the areas to level out and create maintainable hollows was discussed in detail. Cllr. Nixon requested updated information on the Japanese Knotweed that was being treated in the areas. Following confirmation that mowing over these areas would not spread the Knotweed the "Quote" was proposed by Cllr. Darby and seconded by Cllr. Nixon. The clerk informed that she had been in contact with P.C. Boulter regarding the damage to trees by cows in the Community Orchard. The meeting was updated on this. It was agreed to write to the owner of the cows and invoice him for the damage to the trees. The state of the road in Green Lane was also discussed, the clerk was asked to contact the Neighbour Highway Team to see if they would be able to work on it when next in Marchington.	LH LH LH
3.2.	<u>SCC, Highway Matters:</u>	
a)	<u>Houndhill:</u> The Chairman read an email received from SCC, Highways regarding the Traffic Calming measures at Houndhill. This was discussed in detail and it was agreed that although SCC said no feasible options remained the Parish Council would ask about gates being put on the verges to create the illusion of the road narrowing, as had been put in other local villages. The clerk was asked to email SCC to this effect. Cllr. Leedham agreed to look at the site to assess the best possible position for gates.	LH
b)	<u>Section 106 Funding:</u> As above.	
c)	<u>Neighbourhood Highway Teams:</u> See Green Lane.	
d)	<u>Speed Limit on the B5017:</u> The Clerk reported that Mr R. Rayson had not been able to attend the October meeting due to other commitments. The clerk was asked to invite him to the November meeting.	
3.3	<u>P.C. Boulter/Police Surgery:</u> The clerk reported that PC Boulter was unable to	

	attend the October meeting but she had been in contact with him over several matters. See Green Lane and Caravans.	
3.4	<u>Prison Liaison Meeting:</u> Nothing to report.	LH
3.5	<u>Web-site:</u> Cllr. Mrs Crowe reported that the Village Hall Committee were currently updating their section of the site.	
3.6	<u>Parish Council Land Registry:</u> The Chairman read a letter from the Land Registry Office regarding the Parish Council's request to register the Triangle at the top of Green Lane. This was discussed. The clerk report that she and Cllr. Whitehead were meeting with the Solicitor on Thursday 13 th October and she would report back to the Cllrs.	LH
3.7	<u>Barrack Block Site, Forestside: Evans of Leeds/E-ON:</u> The Chairman read a letter received from a resident of Forestside regarding the proposed access to the Football Pitch which Evans of Leeds are proposing to allow the young people of Forestside to use on their field. This was discussed in detail. The clerk informed the meeting that she would discuss this with the solicitor when she met him on 13 th Oct. and report back with his advice. The clerk was asked to write a response to the resident following that meeting.	LH
3.8	<u>Forestside Footpaths and Garages:</u> The Clerk informed the meeting of the response from the MOD via Andrew Griffiths MP on the ownership of the footpaths. The clerk was asked to contact the companies highlighted.	LH
3.9	<u>Condition of footpath known as "The Dingle":</u> The clerk reported this was still being worked on and she would report as soon as she had any further information. The clerk agreed to write to the neighbours' of the dingle footpath.	LH
3.10	<u>BMXing Track:</u> Cllr. Darby informed the meeting that he had been visited by youngsters from the village asking about a BMXing track. This was discussed in detail and it was agreed that Cllr. Darby would ask the young people and their parents to attend the next meeting to discuss what they had in mind. He informed the meeting that he had enquired about funding with ESBC. It was agreed that he would wait until after the meeting before pursuing it further. The clerk informed the meeting that ESBC funding was now controlled by the Neighbourhood Forum and Cllrs. should attend their meetings if they wanted to pursue funding options. Chairman Frampton informed the meeting that Draycott in the Clay were currently building a track and the clerk was asked to contact their parish clerk for information on cost, insurance, contractor etc.	LH
3.11	<u>ESBC – Planning Policy:</u> The clerk reported that the Parish Councils response/comments/objections to the Options for Developing the Borough Over the Next Twenty Years – "Strategic Options" had been submitted to the Planning Policy team at ESBC both via the Limehouse Portal and letter, both of which had been acknowledged. It was agreed nothing further could be done until the next consultation in the New Year.	
3.12	<u>Caravan's down Green Lane:</u> The Clerk updated the Cllrs. On the situation with the land owner and her conversations/emails with P.C. Boulter. She informed the meeting that the land owner had been served an enforcement notice which came into effect on 1 st October requiring the removal of the caravans from the site within 30 days of the notice coming into effect.	
4.	<u>PLANNING:</u>	
4.1	<u>Decision Notices Received:</u> P/2011/00020/JI – Siting of a mobile home to form an agricultural workers dwelling for a temporary period of 3 years at Glasshouse Farm, Thorney Lanes at Buttermilk Hill, Marchington, Uttoxeter, Staffs ST14 8PH. Refused P/2011/00021/JI – Formation of a slurry lagoon at Glasshouse Farm, Thorney Lanes at Buttermilk Hill, Marchington, Uttoxeter, Staffs ST14 8PH. Refused P/2011/00023/JI – Erection of an agricultural building to form parlour and collecting yard at Glasshouse Farm, Thorney Lanes at Buttermilk Hill, Marchington, Uttoxeter, Staffs ST14 8PH. Refused	

	<p>P/2011/00025/JI – Erection of a cubicle cattle shed (Building 1) at Glasshouse Farm, Marchington, Uttoxeter, Staffs ST14 8PF. Refused</p> <p>P/2011/00026/JI – Erection of a cubicle cattle shed (Building 2) at Glasshouse Farm, Marchington, Uttoxeter, Staffs ST14 8PF. Refused</p> <p>P/2011/00029/JI – Erection of an agricultural building to form dairy unit at Glasshouse Farm, Marchington, Uttoxeter, Staffs ST14 8PF. Uttoxeter, Staffs ST14 8PH. Refused</p> <p>P/2011/00824/EW – Erection of a single storey rear extension at 23 Didcot Drive, Marchington, Staffordshire. ST14 8LT. Permitted</p>	
4.2	Other Correspondence/Matters: The Chairman read an email from a resident of Marchington Woodlands offering information on the historic interest of a previous planning application site. The clerk reported that the resident had been thanked for the information.	
4.3	Planning Applications Received: P/2011/01109/JI – Felling of 1 Ash Tree at Church Cottage, Church Lane, Marchington, Staffordshire ST14 8LJ. The Parish Council wishes to make no comment.	
4.4	Appeal Applications Received: None	
4.5	Appeal Decision Notices Received: None	
5.	CORRESPONDENCE:	
5.1	SCC- Governor Services – St. Peter’s CE (VC) First School Local Authority Governor re-appointment. <i>Response sent.</i>	
5.2	SCC- Waste Planning – SCC and Stoke-on-Trent City Council Joint Waste Core Strategy 2010-2026 Submission Draft (Regulation 27 Publication Document) – Consultation Document available on http://consult.staffordshire.gov.uk/portal or www.staffordshire.gov.uk/wcs . <i>The Cllrs were asked to look at this and respond direct due to time restraints.</i>	All councillors
5.3	Campaign to Protect Rural England – How to respond to planning applications: an 8-step guide. Copies can be downloaded on www.planninghelp.org . <i>The Cllrs were encouraged to download this document. The original to be put in the planning folder for future reference.</i>	All councillors
5.4	SLCC – Huge savings for our members on utility bills – www.SLCC.co.uk click on “Utility Bills”. <i>This was passed on to Cllr. Mrs Crowe to pass onto the Village Hall Committee.</i>	JC
5.5	The Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Beacons – The guide to taking part – <i>The clerk was ask to write to the school to see if they want to get involved.</i>	LH LH
5.7	St. Giles Hospice –Donation Request – <i>Clerk to respond.</i>	
6.	PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:	July 2011
6.1	Monies received:	
	Precept monies	£14,000.00
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	£14,000.00
6.2	Invoices/Money Paid Out:	
	ESBC – Empty Litter Bins 01/08/2011 to 31/08/2011	£40.80
	ESBC – Trade Waste to 31/12/2011	£63.83
	Bloomin’ Gardens – Work on Footpath to Cricket Ground	£72.00
	Mr G Whitehead - Expenses	£23.98
	Handyman Salary and Expenses	£23.98
	Clerk - Linda Hoptroff – Salary and Expenses	£762.19
	The following payments are the second part payment (50%) from the November 2010 precept for the year 2011/2012	
	Marchington Village Hall (Section 133)	£900.00
	Marchington Woodlands Village Hall (Section 137)	£750.00
	St. Peter’s Church PCC – Parish Magazine (Section 137)	£275.00
	St. Peter’s Church PCC – Churchyard Maintenance (Section 214/6)	£875.00

7. 7.1	St. John's Church PCC – Churchyard Maintenance (Section 214/6)	£875.00	
	TOTAL PAYMENTS.	£4,751.35	
	Proposed: Cllr. Mrs Crowe. Seconded: Cllr Leedham.		
<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>			
<u>Bagot's Park:</u> The clerk reported that a request for screening opinion had been sent to the Planning Officer, ESBC from Arcus who have been commissioned by Mr. Dale for a wind turbine on a site to the north of Abbots Bromley. The clerk had sent this previously to the Cllrs. and contacted ESBC but no response had been todate. This was discussed. The clerk was asked to re-contact ESBC.			

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.30 p.m.

Marchington Parish Council's next meeting is planned for 8th November 2011 at **Marchington Village Hall** at 7.00 p.m. (Please check the agenda in case there are any alterations to these details.) This will be the precept meeting.

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