

# MARCHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING

Held on: Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2011 at 7.00p.m.  
 At: Marchington Village Hall

Present: Chairman Cllr. P. Frampton  
 Cllrs R. Parkes, N. Andrew, M. Robinson, G. Whitehead  
 P. Nixon and C. Leedham  
 Parish Clerk Mrs L Hoptroff  
 Councillor Fraser  
 Mr Gavin Webb [www.youruttometer.com](http://www.youruttometer.com)  
 Oliver Ford and friend, Mr Ford

### PRECEPT 2012/2013

Representations for Precept grants were received from the following:

Mark Flavell representing the Marchington Tennis and Bowls Club.  
 Isabel Wilson and Brian Greensmith representing Marchington Woodlands Village Hall.  
 Reg Hussey and Tony Heapey representing Marchington Village Shop  
 Gill Williamson representing Marchington Village Hall.

Written representations were received from St. John's PCC, St. Peter's PCC, Parish Magazine and Marchington Cricket Club.

Councillors discussed the precept grants in great detail and made decisions based on the representations. Clerk to write to relevant organisations.

### ACTION

<p>1. <b><u>APOLOGIES:</u></b> Cllrs. B. Darby, Mrs J Crow.          2. <b><u>MINUTES OF MEETING 11<sup>th</sup>October 2011:</u></b> Minutes accepted. Proposed: Cllr. Parkes Seconded: Cllr. Nixon.          3. <b><u>MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:</u></b>          3.1 <b><u>Playgrounds:</u></b>          a) <b><u>Silver Lane, Marchington:</u></b> The clerk reported that the fence along Silverlane had not yet been completed but the Handyman had the wood and nails ready. The seats at both playgrounds were discussed and the clerk was asked to obtain prices from several playground companies with a view to replacing them.          b) <b><u>David Share Memorial Playground, Forestside:</u></b> Cllr. Whitehead submitted his report.          c) <b><u>Green Lane:</u></b>          The Chairman read an email from Bloomin' Gardens saying that they thought the knotweed had been eradicated but would keep an eye on the area. The work to be carried out by Bloomin' Gardens would begin soon now that the Travellers had moved on. The clerk reported that no response had been received from the owner of the cows that caused damage to the Community Orchard. The clerk also reported that the Neighbourhood Highways Team were unable to make repairs in Green Lane but had reported it to SCC. Highways report no. is E-11113959.          3.2. <b><u>SCC, Highway Matters:</u></b>          a) <b><u>Houndhill:</u></b> The Chairman read an email from SCC where they have agreed to install six timber bollards with reflective strips (three either side of the road) in a tapered fashion to highlight the speed limit changes prior to the barns on Houndhill. The Cllrs. agreed that this would be acceptable. This would use the remaining Section 106 funding. It was agreed to remove this item in the next minutes.          b) <b><u>Section 106 Funding:</u></b> As above.          c) <b><u>Neighbourhood Highway Teams:</u></b> Nothing to report at present          d) <b><u>Speed Limit on the B5017:</u></b> The Chairman read an email from Mr Richard Rayson Community Highways Liaison Manager also Councillor Fraser informed the Parish Council that it had been agreed to reduce the speed limit along the B5017 to 40mph. Cllr. Fraser had prioritised it via his Divisional Highways Programme and the feasibility</p>	<p>LH</p>
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3.3	<p>study will begin shortly. The Cllr's asked if signage would be included and Cllr. Fraser said it would be. It was agreed to remove this item from the next minutes.</p> <p><b><u>P.C. Boulter/Police Surgery:</u></b> P.C. Boulter or P.C.S.O. Hunt were not in attendance at the meeting but both Cllr. Nixon and Cllr. Robinson had emailed P.C. Boulter over various matters which were discussed under new business. The clerk agreed to contact P.C. Boulter for further information.</p>	LH
3.4	<p><b><u>Prison Liaison Meeting:</u></b> The clerk was asked to arrange the next meeting in March 2012.</p>	LH
3.5	<p><b><u>Web-site:</u></b> The clerk informed the meeting that the Village Hall Committee had updated their section of the web-site via the web designer.</p>	
3.6	<p><b><u>Parish Council Land Registry:</u></b> The clerk reported that she and Cllr. Whitehead are due to meet with the solicitor on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November regarding several matters and would report back at the next meeting.</p>	LH
3.7	<p><b><u>Barrack Block Site, Forestside: Evans of Leeds:</u></b> The clerk reported that the resident of Forestside had been sent a reponse to his letter and nothing further had been received from him. As this was one of the items to be discussed with the solicitor it was agreed the clerk would report back after the meeting.</p>	LH
3.8	<p><b><u>Forestside Footpaths and Garages:</u></b> This was discussed in detail and Cllr. Fraser was consulted. The clerk agreed to send Cllr. Fraser the details to see if he could help. This would also be discussed with the solicitor who was making enquiries on behalf of the Parish Council.</p>	LH
3.9	<p><b><u>Condition of footpath known as "The Dingle":</u></b> The clerk updated the Parish Council with regard to contacting the neighboring resident.</p>	
3.10	<p><b><u>BMXing Track:</u></b> The Chairman read the information given by Draycott in the Clay Parish Council on their BMX Track. The clerk said she had contacted the contractors and they would be happy to give quotes. Cllr. Nixon agreed to meet with the contractors.</p> <p>Oliver Ford, his friend and father attended the meeting and a discussion arose on what they had in mind for a BMX Track in Marchington. Cllrs questioned the number of interested young people and what exactly they would want to use the track for. Oliver agreed to undertake further research on the internet, visiting play areas etc. and report back to the Parish Council. Cllr. Fraser asked Oliver to contact him regarding funding.</p>	
3.11	<p><b><u>ESBC – Planning Policy:</u></b> As this is now in the consultation period until next year it was agreed to remove from the minutes.</p>	
3.12	<p><b><u>Caravan's down Green Lane:</u></b> The clerk reported that the travellers had now moved off and the land owner had put concrete boulders in the entrance. It was agreed to remove this from the minutes.</p>	
3.13	<p><b><u>Bagot's Park:</u></b> 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 reported that no response had been received to-date due to the Planning Officer not in office.</p>	
3.14	<p><b><u>The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Beacons :</u></b> The Chairman read an email from St. Peter's School regarding the schools position on the above event. The lighting of the beacon was discussed and it was agreed to consult the Fire Brigade before this could be achieved. Commemorative Mugs were discussed also it was agreed to write to local organisations to see if anyone had intentions to celebrate the event. Clerk to action.</p>	LH
4.	<p><b><u>PLANNING:</u></b></p>	
4.1	<p><b><u>Decision Notices Received:</u></b></p> <p><b>P/2011/00949/EW</b> – Erection of a front porch and single storey rear extension at 74 Jacks Lane, Marchington, Staffordshire, ST14 8LW <b>Permitted</b></p> <p><b>P/2011/00967/JI</b> –_Erection if a single storey rear extension and front porch at Conker Cottage, Lane from Highwood Crossroads to Quee Lane, Gorsty Hill, Marchington Woodlands, Staffordshire ST14 8PN. <b>Permitted</b></p>	

	<b>P/2011/01109/JI</b> – Felling of 1 Ash Tree at Church Cottage, Church Lane, Marchington, Staffordshire ST14 8LJ. <b>Tree Preservation order made on the tree north of Church Cottage, Church Lane, Marchington.</b>	
4.2	<b><u>Other Correspondence/Matters:</u></b>	
4.3	<b><u>Planning Applications Received:</u></b> <b>P/2011/01176/EW</b> – Erection of an agricultural building for the housing of livestock at Land Opposite, Forest Hills, Moisty Lane, Marchington, Staffs ST14 8JY. As long as the materials are appropriate. <b>The Parish Council wish to make no comment.</b>	
4.4	<b><u>Appeal Applications Received:</u> None</b>	
4.5	<b><u>Appeal Decision Notices Received:</u> None</b>	
5.	<b><u>CORRESPONDENCE:</u></b>	
5.1	<b>Came &amp; Company:</b> Parish Matters Brochure	
5.2	<b>Community Council of Staffordshire:</b> Best Kept Village Competition 2011 - Judges Comments – Circulated to Councillors	
5.3	<b>SERCO:</b> The launch of a book about the Therapeutic Prison at HMP Dovegate – No councillor was available to attend. Apologies sent to SERCO.	
5.4	<b>Local Government Boundary Commission:</b> Electoral Review of Staffordshire – Final Recommendations. Sent to Councillors prior to meeting.	
5.5	<b>Miscellaneous Brochures:</b> Play equipment.	
5.6	<b>Staffordshire County Council:</b> St. Peter's CE(VC) First School – Nomination form for Local Authority Governor. Email sent agreeing to Mr Stuart Brown's re-appointment.	
5.7	<b>ESBC:</b> Waste and recycling Survey – Clerk to complete and return.	
6.	<b><u>PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:</u></b>	<b><u>July 2011</u></b>
6.1	<b>Monies received:</b>	
	Interest	£6.88
	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>£6.88</b>
6.2	<b>Invoices/Money Paid Out:</b>	
	ESBC – Empty Litter Bins 01/010/2011 to 31/10/2011	£40.80
	Bloomin' Gardens Grounds Maintenance – September	£272.17
	Woolley & Wainwright Ltd – Bus Shelter repairs	£1,175.12
	Handyman Salary and Expenses	£97.90
	Clerk - Linda Hoptroff – Salary and Expenses	£427.05
	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS.</b>	<b>£2,013.04</b>
	Proposed: Cllr. Mrs Whitehead. Seconded: Cllr Leedham.	
7.	<b><u>NEW BUSINESS</u></b>	
7.1	<b><u>Quee Lane Crossroads:</u></b> Cllr Nixon requested that following an accident he witnessed at Quee Lane Crossroads that SCC Highways be contacted to have the road re-painted and signs be erected. Clerk to action.	
7.2	<b><u>Spring Cottage Industrial Estate:</u></b> Cllr. Nixon asked if anyone had heard of Spring Cottage Industrial Estate and/or Dura-Print Driveways Ltd. Cllr. Whitehead said he had received a flyer which he would pass on to Clerk for further investigation.	
7.3	<b><u><a href="http://www.youruttoxeter.com">www.youruttoxeter.com</a>:</u></b> Gavin Webb attended that meeting to inform the Parish Council about the new web-site for helping Uttoxeter business, organizations and individuals promote who they are and what they do. Mr. Webb explained in detail to the Cllrs how the website would work and what they hoped for the future.	

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

Marchington Parish Council's next meeting is planned for 13<sup>th</sup> December 2011 at **Marchington Village Hall** at 7.00 p.m. (Please check the agenda in case there are any alterations to these details.)

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