

MINUTES OF MEETING

Held on: Tuesday 8th May 2012 at 7.30p.m.
At: Marchington Village Hall

Present: Chairman B. Darby
Cllr. C. Leedham, R. Parkes, G. Whitehead, P. Nixon, M. Robinson
and
Parish Clerk Mrs L Hoptroff

ACTION

1.	<u>APOLOGIES:</u> Cllr. N. Andrew, Mrs J. Crowe and P. Frampton	
2.	<u>MINUTES OF MEETING 10th April 2012:</u> Minutes accepted. Proposed: Cllr. Parkes Seconded: Cllr. Nixon.	
	<u>MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:</u>	
3.	<u>Playgrounds:</u>	
3.1	<u>Silver Lane, Marchington:</u> The Chairman reported that the annual playground inspection report is due and will take place shortly, clerk to liaise with other parishes to obtain best price. The clerk reported that boards on the playarea for younger children were still being broken and have had to be replaced by the Handyman. Signs have been put up to say those responsible will be prosecuted. The clerk also reported that the strimmer had been repaired. A discussion arose on the possibility of putting a side gate in just along from the main gate. Clerk to discuss with Handyman. Cllr Nixon gave a verbal report on the playground monthly inspection.	
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b)	<u>David Share Memorial Playground, Forestside:</u> The Chairman reported that the annual playground inspection report is due and will take place shortly, clerk to liaise with other parishes to obtain best price. Cllr Robinson gave a verbal report on the monthly inspection. The clerk submitted quotes for repainting the climbing frame and replacement of floor plates. Following an in-depth discussion it was agreed to wait until the Annual Inspection had been received and see what was highlighted as being in need of re-paint repair. The clerk was asked to have the wooden seats re-varnished.	LH
c)	<u>Green Lane:</u> The new sign on the triangle has been erected. The Chairman showed a photograph to those who had not seen it.	
3.2	<u>SCC, Highway Matters:</u>	LH
a)	<u>Marchington Woodlands:</u> The clerk reported she had not received a response from Cllr Fraser to her emails dated. 03/04/2012, 26/04/2012 and 3/5/2012. Following a discussion it was agreed to remove this item from the minutes.	
b)	<u>Neighbourhood Highway Teams:</u> Nothing to report until the team is next in Marchington.	LH
3.3	<u>P.C. Boulter/Police Surgery:</u> Chairman Darby read an email received from P.C. Boulter and it was agreed to remove this time from the minutes.	
3.4	<u>Prison Liaison Meeting:</u> Cllr Nixon gave a full report on the meeting that had taken place between the Prison Governor, Cllr Nixon and Cllr. Whitehead. Items discussed were the unauthorised traffic through the village, the change of lock-up times for the prison and change of shift patterns. Items made by the prisoners that could possibly be for sale in the Village Shop. Cllr. Whitehead to investigate. The clerk was asked to contact the prison to investigate/request funds/grant for the proposed skateboard park and ask if they had considered making skateboards.	GW LH
3.5	<u>Land at Marchington Woodlands:</u> The Chairman read an email received from Mr R. Rayson of SCC Highways regarding the state of the land in Marchington Woodlands. A discussion arose on what can and cannot help in getting the matter	

3.6	<p>resolved. The Clerk was asked to contact SCC again before the next meeting.</p> <p><u>Barrack Block Site, Forestside: Evans of Leeds:</u> The clerk reported she had met with Terry Beaumont, contractor for Evans of Leeds at Forestside and Cllr. Robinson to discuss the next phase of the football field. She informed the meeting that Evans of Leeds had agreed to cover the cost of the levelling provided a clean-up operation took place by the residents. It was agreed that Cllr. Robinson would contact Mr Beaumont to establish where to put the skip for the weekend 12/13th May and to find out if all the fencing had been mended/reinstated. The clerk also told the meeting Evans of Leeds had agreed that fruit trees could be planted by the residents in the top corners of the football field.</p>	
3.7	<p><u>Forestside Footpaths:</u> The Chairman read an email from Mr Richard Rayson regarding the footpaths. The Parish Council were advised to contact the treasury solicitors as the next step in the process of legalising the footpaths. Clerk to contact the Treasury solicitors.</p>	LH
3.8	<p><u>Condition of footpath known as “The Dingle”:</u> The clerk advised that Bloomin Gardens had been instructed to proceed with the work when weather picks up.</p>	
3.9	<p><u>BMX/Skateboard Track:</u> Chairman Darby reported that he had received an email from the residents to inform the Parish Council that a committee had been formed to raise funds. The clerk told the Cllrs. she had contacted ESBC regarding the filter beds and had been advised to seek a soil test sample from a recognised company. She had also asked ESBC planning if planning permission was required before the Skatepark could proceed but no response had been received todate. Clerk to chase. Clerk to contact company re soil test. Chairman Darby went through the application form for a Lottery Grant obtaining input from other councillors and added further details to the application where appropriate.</p>	LH
3.10	<p><u>The Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Beacons :</u> The Chairman read a letter received from MWVHC re Insurance for Firework Display. As there would be no extra charge by the Insurance Company MWVHC had asked for the £95.00 to be paid toward the costs anyway. This was rejected by the Parish Council as being a payment for a specific purpose. Clerk to reply to MWVHC. Clerk to investigate the size of the bench for plaque purposes. Clerk to request an invoice for the bench made out to MPC to enable the VAT to be reclaimed.</p>	LH
3.11	<p><u>Best Kept Village Competition:</u> This is now underway and the judges will be visiting the village in both May and June.</p>	LH
4.	<p><u>PLANNING:</u></p>	LH
4.1	<p><u>Planning Applications Received:</u> None</p> <p><u>Decision Notices Received:</u></p>	BD GW
	<p><u>P/20912/00198/JI</u> – Erection of a single story rear extension and erection of a detached double garage/store at Woodford Lodge, Moisty Lane, Marchington, Staffs ST14 8JY As long as all in keeping. Permitted.</p> <p><u>P/2012/00235/EW</u> – Felling of 1 elder and 4 conifer trees at The Pump House, Jacks Lane, Marchington, ST14 8LW. Permitted.</p> <p><u>P/2012/00252/EW</u> – Erection of a front porch and single storey rear extension at Tumbledown, 3 Jacks Lane, Marchington, Staffs. ST14 8LW. Permitted.</p> <p><u>P/2012/00189/EW</u> - Application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the relocation of and extension of existing agricultural building without complying with Condition 8 of planning permission PA/25279/010RS dated 03/10/07 relating to the vehicular access at Field Off Hodge Lane, Marchington Woodlands, Staffs Permitted.</p> <p><u>P/2012/00281/JI</u> – Erection of an agricultural building to house livestock at Cliff House Farm, Woodroffes Cliff, Marchington Woodlands, Staffs ST14 8PB Permitted.</p> <p><u>P/2012/00282/JI</u> – Erection of an agricultural building to house livestock</p>	LH

	and formation of a slurry store at Cliff House Farm, Woodroffes Cliff, Marchington Woodlands, Staffs ST14 8PB Permitted.	
	P/2012/00204/EW – Formation of a new vehicular access including a dropped kerb at The Cottage, Birch Cross, Marchington ST14 8NX Refused.	
4.2	Other Correspondence/Matters: None	
4.3	Appeal Applications Received: None	
4.4	Appeal Decision Notices Received: None	
5.	CORRESPONDENCE:	
5.1	ESBC – Neighbourhood Planning activity in East Staffordshire	
5.2	Marchington Village Hall Committee – Request for funds for refurbishment of Ladies Cloakroom.	
5.3	ESBC – Mr G. Sherratt – Provision of Sand Bags to Parish Councils	
6.	<u>PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:</u>	<u>May 2012</u>
6.1	Monies received:	
	H M Revenue and Customs VAT refund	£214.48
	Interest	£7.24
6.2	TOTAL RECEIPTS	£221.74
	Invoices/Money Paid Out:	
	Society of Local Council Clerks – Membership fee	£97.00
	Uttoxeter Garden Machinery Ltd	£83.20
	Handyman – Salary and Expenses	£316.60
	Clerk – Salary and Expenses	£739.60
	Sandon Garden Products Ltd (MWVHC)	£400.00
	The following five payments are the first payment (50%) from the November 2011 Precept for the year 2011/12	
	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
	St. John's Church PCC – Churchyard Maintenance (Section 214/6)	£875.00
	TOTAL PAYMENTS.	£5,312.00
7.	Proposed: Cllr. Leedham Seconded: Cllr. Nixon	
	<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>	
	The Parish Council went through the Settlement hierarchy survey/questionnaire received from ESBC making changes to separate the different sections of Marchington Village and The Woodlands.	

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 10 p.m.
 Marchington Parish Council's next meeting is planned for 12th June 2012 at **Marchington Village Hall** at 7.30 p.m. (Please check the agenda in case there are any alterations to these details.)

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