

MINUTES OF MEETING

Held on: Tuesday 6th November 2012 at 7.00p.m.
At: Marchington Village Hall

Present: Chairman Brian Darby
Cllrs. C. Leedham, G. Whitehead, R. Parkes, Richard Ford
Cllr. M. Robinson for part.
Mr Andrew Mann
Parish Clerk Mrs L Hoptroff
Cllr. Robert Hardwick for part.
Representatives from Marchington Woodlands Village Hall

Precept 2013/14:

Mr Brian Crowther and Mrs Isabel Wilson from Marchington Woodlands Village Hall Committee were present to report on the last year and request a grant for next year. Written requests from the other Parish Organisations wishing to be considered for a grant were read out. Papers were reviewed comparing planned expenditure for the year to March 2013 with the anticipated expenditure for 2013/14. The draft proposal was increased to £29400. Proposed Cllr. Whitehead Seconded: Cllr. Leedham
Action: Clerk to convey the details agreed to ESBC and applicants of grants.

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1.	APOLOGIES: Cllr. Mrs J. Crowe and Cllr. P. Nixon		
2.	MINUTES OF MEETING 9th October 2012: Minutes accepted. Proposed: Cllr. Leedham Seconded: Cllr. Whitehead		
3.	MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:		
3.1	Playgrounds:		
a)	<i>Silver Lane, Marchington:</i> The clerk reported that the Annual Report had been received and she had discussed the items highlighted with the Handyman. Handyman to action where possible. Clerk to obtain quotes for items needing replacement. Copies of the Report had been sent to all Cllrs. Cllr. Leedham to make monthly report.	LH	
b)	<i>David Share Memorial Playground, Forestside:</i> The clerk reported that the Annual Report had been received and she had discussed the items highlighted with the Handyman. Handyman to action where possible. Copies of the Report had been sent to all Cllrs. Clerk had obtained quotes for items needing replacement. It was agreed to replace the rotting footplates on the Multi Junior but leave the Dizzy Disc until they needed removing. Proposed Cllr. Whitehead Seconded Cllr. Leedham. Cllr. Crowe had made the monthly report	LH	
c)	<i>Forestside Football Pitch:</i> Nothing to report at present.		
d)	<i>Green Lane:</i> Nothing to report at present.		
3.2	SCC, Highway Matters:		
	<i>Highways:</i>		
a)	<i>Blocked Drains in Marchington:</i> Drains in Silver Lane and Jacks Lane have now been cleared by SCC Highways. Clerk to chase Bag Lane and Hall Lane clearance.		
c)	<i>Neighbourhood Highway Teams:</i> Nothing to report at present.		
3.3	P.C. Boulter/Police Surgery: Nothing to report at present.		
3.4	Prison Liaison Meeting: It was agreed that the clerk would arrange for the next meeting to be in January as November/December dates were not working out for the Cllrs.	LH	
3.5	Land at Marchington Woodlands: The clerk reported that she had chased this item but still had not received a response. Clerk to chase again.	LH	
3.6	Forestside Footpaths: The clerk reported that a letter had been sent to the Crown		

3.7	Solicitors regarding getting the footpaths/garage areas updated. No response to date. The footpath known as "The Dingle": The work commenced this week and hopefully will be completed soon.	
3.8	BMX/Skateboard Track Committee: Chairman Darby reported on the meeting between Corrine O'Hare of ESBC Sara Botham of ESBC, Cllr. Ford, PCSO Sarah Hunt, parents' committee members and the clerk on the 1 st November at the Playing Field to discuss the way forward for the proposed skate park. Cllr. Ford explained the agreed change of location for the park from the former filter beds to just inside the playing field between the children's play area and the toilet blocks. This is for security reasons. He reported that Corrine said planning permission would be required and to be able to obtain a grant from ESBC three quotations would be required showing exactly what the young people wanted in a skate park. A discussion arose on the proposal. Cllr. Ford to obtain other quotations.	Cllr. Ford
3.9	Best Kept Village Competition: The Clerk showed the Cllrs. two possible signs to choose from for the sign to be purchased and erected under the Neudrossenfeld sign at the top of Bag Lane. Clerk to action on the choice.	LH
3.10	Marchington Village Hall Committee: Mr Andrew Mann read out the report received from Cllr. Crowe who was not at the meeting. Future projects and fund raising was discussed.	
3.11	ESBC Local Plan: Cllr. Leedham agreed to discuss with Cllr. Hardwick who had left the meeting by this point.	Cllr. Leedham
3.12	New Councillor Co-option: Mr Andrew Mann was co-opted to the Parish Council. Cllr. Mann gave the clerk his Register of Interest form. Cllr. Ford still to submit.	Cllr. Ford
3.13	Silverlane Playing Field: The clerk reported that SCC Footpaths Dept. had agreed to install a large mobility kissing gate in place of the stile at the end of the footpath at Green Lane. This is in response to the forced locking of the main gate onto the field.	
3.14	Land at Forestside owned by Evans Property Group Cllr. Hardwick discussed with the Parish Council the suggestions put forward to/by Mr A. Syers at last month's meeting which was attended by Mr Syers. Cllr. Robinson also told the meeting of the feedback he had received from residents to his requests for ideas. This was discussed in detail. It was agreed Clerk would contact Mr Syers with the feedback.	CL
3.15	Fields in Trust – formally the National Playing Fields Association Cllr Whitehead informed the meeting he had discussed the programme with the Cricket Club Trustees but had not yet received a response.	
3.16	Emergency Plan 2012 – Cllr Leedham and Cllr. Whitehead informed the meeting they had been in contact with Mr W. Read and were arranging dates to meet in January to discuss the way forward.	
4.	PLANNING:	
4.1	Planning Applications Received: P/2012/01326 – Felling of one Common Spruce Tree at Porters Farm, High Street, Marchington, Staffordshire ST14 8LD The Parish Council wish to make no comment.	
4.2	Decision Notices Received: P/2012/01049 – Erection of a two storey front and side extension with front side and rear porches together with link to existing barn to form games room at Brick Hill Farm, Birch Cross, Marchington, ST14 8NX Permitted P/2012/01077 - Change of use of agricultural building to commercial dog boarding kennels Newlands Farm Lane from Netherland Green to Highwood Crossroads, Netherlands Green ST14 8PP Permitted. P/2012/00685 - Erection of a detached carport and store with office above (Revised Information) at Brick Hill Farm, Birch Cross, Marchington, Uttoxeter, Staffs. Conditional Approval - Delegated	
4.3	Other Correspondence/Matters: None	
4.4	Appeal Applications Received: None	

4.5	Appeal Decision Notices Received: None	
5.	<u>CORRESPONDENCE:</u>	
5.1	SPCA – Newsletter and AGM Notice	
5.2	Came and Co. – Newsletter	
5.3	ESBC – Gambling Act – Questionnaire – Chairman Darby agreed to complete questionnaire after looking at the Gambling Act documentation.	
5.4	East Staffordshire Clinical Commissioning Group – Initiative	
5.5	ESCVS Development Team – Request for donation – Clerk to respond.	
6.	<u>PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:</u>	<u>November 2012</u>
6.1	Monies received:	
	VAT Refund	£952.83
	Interest	£7.40
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	£960.23
6.2	Invoices/Money Paid Out:	
	Bloomin' Gardens Ground Maintenance - October	£457.77
	Handyman – Salary and Expenses	£99.70
	Clerk – Salary and Expenses	£557.89
	Total	£1,115.43
	Proposed: Cllr. Whitehead Seconded: Cllr. Parkes	
7.	<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>	
7.1	Fire at Bag Lane/Woodlands Views – The clerk reported that complaints had been received following the fire in a tree at a house in Bag Lane. Following a discussion with the owner's son and the Chairman a letter had been written to the owner's son requesting the removal of Leylandii trees and removal of general rubbish in front and to the side of the garage. The Chairman informed the meeting that since the letter had been sent the owner's son had told him he had received a visit from ESBC Environmental Dept. and they had increased the time limit for the work to be completed.	LH
7.2	Speed Bumps – Water Retention – Chairman Darby informed the meeting that he had been approached by a resident to complain about the water that accumulates in front of the speed bumps in Bag Lane. He reported that the clerk had passed this on to the Highways Dept.	LH
7.3	Pothole in Jacks Lane – The clerk reported that the pothole at junction of Jacks Lane and B5012 had been reported to Highways.	LH

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.15p.m.

Marchington Parish Council's next meeting is planned for 11th December 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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