

MINUTES OF MEETING

Held on: Tuesday 5th March 2013 at 7.30 p.m.
At: Marchington Village Hall

Present: Chairman Cllr. B. Darby
Cllrs. C. Leedham, Mrs J. Crowe, R. Parkes, M. Robinson, A. Mann,
Cllr. Robert Hardwick
Parish Clerk Mrs L Hoptroff

Mr T Heapey and Mrs M Brown representing the Flooding Action Group

ACTION

1.	<u>APOLOGIES:</u> Cllr. P. Nixon, G. Whitehead, R. Ford.	
2.	<u>MINUTES OF MEETING 12th February 2013:</u> Minutes accepted. Proposed: Cllr. Crowe Seconded: Cllr. Leedham.	
3.	<u>MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:</u>	
3.1	<u>Playgrounds:</u>	
a)	<i>Silver Lane, Marchington:</i> Cllr Robinson reported that the Rock Spinner handle casing is torn.	
b)	<i>David Share Memorial Playground, Forestside:</i> Cllr Crowe reported that the benches needed to be re-varnished and the Rainbow Multiplay Unit needed repainting. The clerk told the Cllrs. re-varnishing the benches was on the list for when the weather is better and that the re-painting of the Multiplay Unit had been priced last summer and was not agreed because of the costs of the paint etc. Clerk to bring estimate to next meeting.	Clerk
c)	<i>Forestside Football Pitch:</i> Cllr. Robinson said the pitch was in good condition. The clerk gave the Cllr. the new pegs for the football nets.	
d)	<i>Green Lane:</i> This was discussed under the Neighbourhood Highway Team.	
3.2	<u>SCC, Highway Matters:</u>	
a)	<i>Highways:</i> This was discussed under flooding issues.	
b)	<i>Neighbourhood Highway Teams:</i> The Clerk reported that the Team would be in Marchington week commencing 18 th March and they would be cleaning up Green Lane. Other possible projects were discussed. Clerk to contact Team manager.	Clerk
3.3	<u>P.C. Boulter/Police Surgery:</u> P.C. Boulter was not at the meeting.	
3.4	<u>Prison Liaison Meeting:</u> Cllr Leedham gave a report on the items discussed at the meeting last month, these were discussed in detail. It was agreed that the clerk request a meeting for the end of April to meet the new governor Mr Craig Thomson. Cllrs were urged to inform residents to let the clerk have registration numbers, time and date of vans/cars using the village as a short cut without permits so these can be passed onto the governor for action.	Clerk
3.5	<u>Land at Marchington Woodlands:</u> The Chairman read an email from Richard Rayson, SCC stating that he has a temporary engineer working for him who is assigned to the situation/problem.	
3.6	<u>BMX/Skateboard Track Committee:</u> Cllr. Ford was unable to attend the meeting but had called in and left two designs for the Cllrs. to see. He had given the cllrs. a quick update on how far the Skateboard Committee had progressed with fund raising and designs. The designs were discussed along with the proposed planning application and siting of the skate park.	
3.7	<u>Best Kept Village Competition:</u> The clerk informed the meeting that it was planned she would collect the paintings from the village school for the poster competition before the next meeting and then the presentations would take place	All cllrs. Clerk

	<p>either the 19th or 26th April. She requested a volunteer to join her to make the presentations.</p>	
3.8	<p><u>Marchington Village Hall Committee:</u> Cllr. Crowe reported that the Village Hall Open Day had been well attended and the committee were very pleased with the day. Cllr. Robert Hardwick had officially opened the ladies toilets. The next Village Hall Committee meeting is next week and they hoped to have interest for new Committee Members.</p>	
3.9	<p><u>ESBC Local Plan:</u> Nothing to report at present.</p>	
3.10	<p><u>Fields in Trust – formally the National Playing Fields Association:</u> The clerk reported that she and Cllr. Whitehead had met with the Solicitor to discuss the documentation for making the Parish Council section of Silverlane Playingfield and the Community Orchard part of the Fields in Trust Queen Elizabeth II Challenge. Once all the legal documents had been prepared they would be signed by the Chairman and the Vice Chairman.</p>	
3.11	<p><u>Emergency Plan 2012:</u> Cllr Leedham reported that he and Cllr Whitehead had meet with William Read of ESBC and walked the village to assess the way forward with the Emergency Plan. They had split the plan in half to complete where possible. They would need to accumulate information on police, ambulances, chemists, fire stations etc. and also approach people in the village who could assist in emergencies. He explained that it would work on a telephone tree system cascading down with only two or three copies of plan to avoid confusion should an emergency arise. He explained it was important to have a proper system in place should an emergency such as a plane or train crash, flooding, explosion on the Industrial Estate or the A50 blocked with traffic using Hound Hill, other examples like the evacuation of the older people should the need arise wher discussed. The idea is the Plan could be opened to see at a glance exactly who needs to do what. Getting volunteers would be an essential part of the plan.</p>	
3.12	<p><u>Flooding Issues:</u> Mr Heappey and Mrs Brown attended the meeting to update the Cllrs on progress by the Flooding Action Group (The residents) and the four agencies that had attended the previous Parish Council meeting on what could and would be done to alleviate the flooding in Marchington when it rains heavily. Already the drains in Marchington have been surveyed and large amounts of debris blocking the drains have been removed under the direction of Severn Trent Water and other drainage problems had been identified. Mr Heappey explained that the agencies would be touring the village with some of the residents on 7th March to make assessments and then they would overlay their findings and hopefully move on towards a solution/s. He stated that the group and the agencies were now in full communication with each other and that was a good way to go forward towards resolving the flooding situation. Cllr. Hardwick was given all the documentation regarding the planning applications for Dovegate Prison by the clerk to research what agreements were made regarding the balancing lakes and drainage of the prison floodwaters etc. Mr Heappey promised to keep the clerk up-to-date on matters as they progressed/arose.</p>	
3.13	<p><u>Damage to verge outside 52 Jacks Lane</u> The Chairman asked the Cllrs. to consider the situation of damaged verges in Jack’s Lane due to buses and lorries passing which had been brought to the Cllrs. attention by the resident of 52 Jacks Lane, this was discussed in detail and the clerk was asked to contact Staffordshire County Council Highways to see if a solution could be found by inserting reflectors or other deterrents.</p>	Clerk
4.	<p><u>PLANNING:</u></p>	
4.1	<p><u>Planning Applications Received:</u> None</p>	
4.2	<p><u>Decision Notices Received:</u> P/2012/01503: Erection of a 50KW wind turbine with a hub height of 36.6 metres and a height to blade tip of 46.3 metres at Dunsfields Farm, Buttermilk Hill, Newborough DE13 8RY. Refused</p>	

	<p>P/2012/01434: Installation of a 65kW wind turbine with a job height of 24 metres and a height to blade tip of 32.6 metres and associated equipment cabinet at Smallwood Manor Farm, Uttoxeter Road, Netherland Green, Staffordshire, ST14 8NR. Refused</p> <p>P/2012/01551: TPO: Tree P/2012/01403: Conversion and alterations to existing agricultural buildings to form 3 units of holiday accommodation including installation of new door and windows and erection of stairway on rear elevation at Forestside Farm, Marchington Cliff, Marchington Woodlands, Staffordshire ST14 8NA Withdrawn</p>	
4.3	Other Correspondence/Matters: None	
4.4	Appeal Applications Received: None	
4.5	Appeal Decision Notices Received: None	
5.	CORRESPONDENCE:	
5.1	ESBC – Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Licensing Policy and Procedure Manual – Enforcement Services – Policy Consultation	
5.2	Fields in Trust – Registration form for “Have a Field Day”	
5.3	SCC – Community Paths Initiative – Bids for 2013/2014 – Held over from the previous meeting. It was agreed not to make a Bid for 2013/14	
5.4	Drs M J Tomlinson and J S Bull – Traffic and erosion on Bag Lane, Marchington, Staffordshire – Clerk to take up with SCC. Highways.	
5.5	Community Council of Staffordshire – Clothing Recycling – Given to Cllr. Crowe for the Village Hall Committee meeting.	
6.	<u>PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:</u>	<u>March 2012</u>
6.1	Monies received:	
	Marchington Village Hall Committee	8,300.00
	Marchington Village Hall Committee	462.56
	Interest	8.95
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	£8.95
6.2	Invoices/Money Paid Out:	
	Upton Construction	555.07
	Henry Hall – Salary and Expenses	117.00
	Clerk – Salary and Expenses	523.01
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£1,195.08
7.	Proposed: Cllr. Leedham Seconded: Cllr. Parkes <u>NEW BUSINESS</u> No new business was raised.	

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.45p.m.
 Marchington Parish Council's next meeting is planned for 9th April 2013 at **Marchington Woodlands Village Hall** at 7.30 p.m. (Please check the agenda in case there are any alterations to these details.)

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