

MINUTES OF MEETING

Held on: Tuesday 14th May 2013 at 7.00 p.m.
At: Marchington Village Hall

Present: Chairman Cllr. C. Leedham
Cllrs. R. Parkes, G. Whitehead, R. Ford, M. Robinson, A. Mann, B. Darby
Parish Clerk Mrs L Hoptroff
Cllr. R. Hardwick

ACTION

<p>1. APOLOGIES: Cllrs. P. Nixon, Mrs J. Crowe</p> <p>2. MINUTES OF MEETING 9th April 2013: Minutes accepted. Proposed: Cllr. Robinson Seconded: Cllr. Leedham</p> <p>3. MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:</p> <p>3.1 Playgrounds:</p> <p>a) <u>Silver Lane, Marchington:</u> Cllr. Mann stated he will submit the report next week.</p> <p>b) <u>David Share Memorial Playground, Forestside:</u> Cllr. Mann stated he will submit the report next week.</p> <p>c) <u>Forestside Football Pitch:</u> This item was not discussed due to time restraints.</p> <p>d) <u>Green Lane:</u> This item was not discussed due to time restraints.</p> <p>3.2 SCC, Highway Matters:</p> <p>a) <u>Highways:</u> This item was not discussed due to time restraints.</p> <p>b) <u>Neighbourhood Highway Teams:</u> This item was not discussed due to time restraints.</p> <p>3.3 P.C. Boulter/Police Surgery This item was not discussed due to time restraints.</p> <p>3.4 Prison Liaison Meeting: During the flooding meeting Cllrs. Whitehead, Leedham and Darby gave information gained at the Prison Liaison Meeting relevant to the subject being discussed.</p> <p>3.5 Land at Marchington Woodlands: The clerk read an email from Richard Rayson, SCC with an update on the progress being made and change of contact details.</p> <p>3.6 BMX/Skateboard Track Committee: Cllr. Ford updated the Cllrs with progress being made with obtaining quotes for the skate park furniture/base and his discussions with Sarah Botham, ESBC regarding planning requirements.</p> <p>3.7 Best Kept Village Competition: The clerk reminded Cllr. Mann of an email sent to himself and Cllr. Crowe (as members of Marchington Village Hall Committee) requesting the garden/car park at the Village Hall to be weeded/tidied.</p> <p>3.8 Marchington Village Hall Committee: See above report (Best Kept Village Competition).</p> <p>3.9 ESBC Local Plan: Nothing to report at present.</p> <p>3.10 Fields in Trust – formally the National Playing Fields Association: This item was not discussed due to time restraints.</p> <p>3.11 Emergency Plan 2012: This item was not discussed due to time restraints</p> <p>3.12 Flooding Issues: As this was the main agenda item with representatives from East Staffordshire Borough Council (Andy Beard and Simeon Cornes), Staffordshire County Council (David Hughes) and Environment Agency (Pio Chinyere and Rob Lunt) in attendance and apologies from Samantha Dalton of Severn Trent Water who sent in a report of work undertaken to date along with residents who have been affected by the flooding in the village the meeting moved into the main hall. Mr T. Heapey chaired the session and introduced the agency representatives, he gave an outline of discussions/events so far and then handed over to David Hughes of SCC who has taken the lead co-ordinating Marchington Flooding issues.</p> <p>Mr Hughes explained in great detail the findings of drainage/gully surveys</p>	
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throughout the village, most of which have been cleaned out by jetting crews, the condition of some of the pipes, some of which may need replacing where they have collapsed. He explained how the water works its way through the village and where work will need to be undertaken when they have found out ownership of ditches/fields etc. He pointed out that work was already underway downstream of the village by a land owner to clear water courses down to the river, which should release water locked in pipes under the roads that are now too full for them to be inspected.

David Hughes also read the report from Severn Trent on work undertaken by them to the sewage system in the village. A general question and answer session was then undertaken with residents.

Mr. Lunt and Mr. Chinyere from the Environment Agency explained that a module based on the brook and ways to alleviate the flooding was in the course of being prepared and once it was available would be discussed by all agencies and reported back to the residents committee and the parish council, this would however take sometime and then funding for the scheme/s would need to be addressed. Funding was discussed in detail and they explained how the funding depended on a cost benefit analysis i.e. the number of houses affected internally and externally by flooding, it was agreed that a questionnaire could be prepared and circulated to see exactly how many/how much residents had been affected by the flooding as there seemed to be conflicting numbers. Sandbags and other alternative flood defences were discussed in detail and residents were told that perhaps flood defences could be supplied by the Environment Agency as part of the module. It was stressed that all agencies would be involved in the module process/documentation/implementation.

The Environment Agency flood warning system was discussed along with the notifying of Severn Trent by residents when flooding is occurring so they can make adjustments to the pumps in the pumping station. It was explained by Mr Hughes that it was the intention of SCC and Severn Trent to separate with sewage pipes from the gullies/overflow pipes in the future.

Mr Heapey thanked the gentlemen for attending the meeting and it was agreed that a further update meeting would be arranged later in the year with all parties being kept informed of progress in the meantime.

3.13 **Damage to verge outside 52 Jacks Lane** This was not discussed due to time restraints.

4. **PLANNING:**

4.1 **Planning Applications Received:**

P/201300419 – Erection of detached garage block at Ashleigh, Uttoxeter Road, Netherland Green, Staffordshire ST14 8NT. **The Parish Council queries the rational for the dimensions of the garage; this seems a large area solely for a garage.**

P/2013/00411 – Re-pollarding of 3 Lime trees (T1 to T3), felling of 2 conifer trees (T4 & T5), 1 Fir Tree (T6), 3 Lawson Cypress trees (T7, T10 & T11) & 1 Larch tree (T8) & crown reduction the side of 1 limb by up 6to 4m of 1 Silver Birch tree (T9) at St. Anne's Cottage, Bag Lane, Marchington, ST14 8NY. **The Parish Council wish to make no comment.**

P/2013/00498 – Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for the continued use of Building 1 as Class B1 (Business), Class B2 (General Industry) and vehicle repairs, Yard 1 as storage, parking and service area associated with Building 1, Yard 2 as storage, parking and service area associated with transport haulage business, vehicle sales, equipment hire and vehicle repairs (including HGV), operation of transport haulage business, vehicle sales, vehicle repairs and equipment hire and continued use of Class B1 Office at Newfield House, Woodroffes Cliff, Marchington Woodlands ST14 8PB. **The Parish Council wish to make no comment.**

P/2013/00441 – Felling of 1 Yew Tree at West View, High Street, Marchington

	ST14 8LD The Parish Council wish to make no comment P/2013/00499 – Formation of access and erection of 1m high field gate at paddock to the north of Newfield House, Woodroffes Cliff, Marchington Woodlands, ST14 8PB. The Parish Council wish to make no comment. P/2013/00511 – Demolition of ground floor office accommodation to facilitate the erection of an extension to form a covered yard area and first floor extension to form offices at Unit 2, Marchington Industrial Estate, Stubby Lane, Marchington. ST14 8LP. The Parish Council wish to make no comment. P/20132/00541 and P/2013/00532 – Erection of a single storey side and rear extensions at Yew Tree House, High Street, Marchington, ST14 8LD (Listed building consent) The Parish Council wish to make no comments.	
4.2	Decision Notices Received: P/2013/00273 – Formation of a manege at Lower Sale Farm, Thorney Lanes, Marchington Woodlands, Staffordshire DE13 8RZ. Permitted P/2013/00387 – Retention of tool shed at Marchington Bowling & Tennis Club, High Street, Marchington ST14 8LD Permitted P/2013/00166 – Installation of solar panels to the south facing rood slope of the gym/hall at Smallwood Manor Preparatory School, Uttoxeter Road, ST14 8NR. Permitted.	
4.3	Other Correspondence/Matters: None	
4.4	Appeal Applications Received: P/2012/01503 – Appeal against the refusal of planning permission for the erection of a 50kW wind turbine with a hub height of 36.6 metres and a height to blade tip of 46.3 at Dunsfield Farm, Thorney Lanes at Buttermilk Hill, Marchington Woodlands DE13 8RY. The Parish Council agreed to send in letters of objection to the Secretary of State. P/2012/0134 – Appeal against the refusal of planning permission for the installation of a 65kW wind turbine with a hub 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, Staffs ST14 8NR. The Parish Council agreed to send in letters of objection to the Secretary of State.	
4.5	Appeal Decision Notices Received: None	
5.	CORRESPONDENCE:	
5.1	Debbie McGrath – Neighbourhood Planning – Grant funded Neighbourhood Planning Support – Forwarded to Cllrs prior to the meeting.	
5.2	Sara Botham – Neighbourhood Forums – Update email – Forwarded to Cllrs prior to the meeting.	
5.3	SLCC – Newsletters - Circulated to Cllrs. at the meeting.	
5.4	<u>PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:</u>	<u>May 2013</u>
5.5	Monies received:	
	Interest	7.25
5.6	Wayleave Payment	23.10
	Precept	14,700.00
	Vat Refund	2,565.18
5.7	TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>£17,295.53</u>
	Invoices/Money Paid Out:	
5.8	Eric Roy – Web Page hosting	130.00
6.	Bloomin' Gardens & Landscapes Ltd	457.77
6.1	Society of Local Council Clerks – Membership	100.00
	Henry Hall – Ground Maintenance	174.70
	Clerk – Salary and Expenses	731.08
6.2	The following five payments are the first part payments (50%) From the November, 2012 precept for the year 2013/2014 Marchington Village Hall (Section133)	900.00

7.	Marchington Woodlands Village Hall (Section 137)	900.00	
	St. Peter's Church PCC – Parish Magazine (Section 137)	275.00	
	St. Peter's Church PCC – Churchyard Maintenance (Section 214/(6))	925.00	
	St. John's Church PCC – Churchyard Maintenance (Section 214/(6))	925.00	
	Cricket Club Insurance – Full Amount	650.00	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£943.08	
	Proposed: Cllr. Leedham Seconded: Cllr. Parkes		
<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>			
No new business discussed due to time restraints.			

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 10 p.m.
 Marchington Parish Council's next meeting is planned for 11th June 2013 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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