

MINUTES OF MEETING

Held on: Tuesday 12th November 2013 at 7.00 p.m.
At: Marchington Village Hall

Present: Chairman Cllr. C. Leedham
Cllrs. G. Whitehead, M. Robinson, A. Mann, P. Nixon, R. Parkes
and Mrs J. Crowe,
Cllr. R. Hardwick
Parish Clerk Mrs L. Hoptroff
P.C. Boulter for part

Representatives from Marchington Woodlands Village Hall and St. John's Church, Marchington Woodlands.

Representatives from Marchington Village.

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| 1. | <u>APOLOGIES:</u> Cllrs. B. Darby and R. Ford | |
| 2. | <u>MINUTES OF MEETING 8th October 2013:</u> Minutes accepted. Proposed: Cllr. Whitehead Seconded: Cllr. Crowe | |
| 3. | <u>MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:</u> | |
| 3.1 | <u>Playgrounds:</u> | |
| a) | <u>Silver Lane, Marchington:</u> Cllr. Robinson submitted his inspection report, this was discussed. The Clerk informed the Cllrs. the replacement panel for the Multi-Play Unit had now been sent and hopefully the handyman would be able to replace it soon. | |
| b) | <u>David Share Memorial Playground, Forestside:</u> Cllr. Crowe submitted her inspection report, this was discussed. | |
| c) | <u>Forestside Football Pitch:</u> It was reported that the Football Pitch was still being used despite the weather. | |
| d) | <u>Green Lane:</u> Nothing to report at present. | |
| 3.2 | <u>SCC, Highway Matters:</u> | |
| a) | <u>Highways:</u> The Chairman reported that it was difficult to decide if the work had been carried out on the hole in the verge up Houndhill because work was being carried out by BT. Clerk to check with Highways. | |
| b) | <u>Hedges:</u> Cllr. Whithead informed the meeting that the hedge at the top of Church Lane had been cut that day. Clerk to chase Highways regarding the other hedges in Bag Lane and Jacks Lane. | Clerk Clerk |
| d) | <u>Neighbourhood Highway Teams:</u> Nothing to report at present. | |
| 3.3 | <u>P.C. Boulter/Police Surgery:</u> P.C. Boulter attended for part of the meeting and discussed various agenda items with the Cllrs. | |
| 3.4 | <u>Prison Liaison Meeting:</u> Cllrs. Leedham and Robinson informed the Parish Council on the meeting which took place at the Prison on the 5 th November, and the discussions that had taken place with the Governor. It was noted that despite a request to attend the meeting the representative of Draycott Parish Council had not turned up. P.C. Boulter requested he attend the next meeting which would be due in February. | |
| 3.5 | <u>Land at Marchington Woodlands:</u> Nothing to report at present. It was agreed that the Clerk would chase it. | Clerk |
| 3.6 | <u>BMX/Skateboard Track Committee:</u> As Cllr Ford was not present at the meeting this item was not discussed. | |
| 3.7 | <u>Best Kept Village Competition:</u> Nothing to report at present. | |
| 3.8 | <u>Marchington Village Hall Committee:</u> Cllr. Crowe updated the Cllrs. on the | |

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| <p>3.9</p> | <p>recent art exhibition that took place in the Village Hall. ESBC Local Plan: This item was discussed in great detail with the representatives of the village. It was stressed by Chairman Leedham that the Parish Council had tried very hard during meetings with ESBC to squash the increase of the settlement boundary that was included in the Local Plan Pre-Submission Consultation and highlighted in the letter sent to all village residents. It was agreed that the Parish Council would need to involve a Town Planning Consultant to help with the objections which need to be sent to ESBC Planning Policy via the forms/website etc.. Cllrs Whitehead and Mann stated they would attend the drop-in sessions at the Town Hall in Uttoxeter. Cllr. Hardwick advised the residents and cllrs. on how the Planning Policy, Local Plan system worked. Cllr. Leedham suggest all residents that wished to take advantage of the Town Planners recommendations email the parish council with their details and when it was available it would be sent to them. Cllr. Leedham proposed consulting the Town Planner and Cllr. Robinson seconded it. The Chairman informed the meeting that a lengthy letter had been received from a resident regarding the increase in the settlement boundary in the centre of the village. This would be forwarded to the Town Planner to include with the evidence against the increase.</p> | |
| <p>3.10</p> | <p>Fields in Trust – formally the National Playing Fields Association: The Chairman informed the meeting that the opening of the Plaque and the planting of the Oak Tree from a Royal Estate in Silver Lane Playing Field went well with a report in the Local Papers. The Plaque had also been put in the Community Orchard to commemorate the Deed of Dedication to Fields in Trust to save the land being built on in the future.</p> | |
| <p>3.11</p> | <p>Emergency Plan 2012: This item is on hold until January.</p> | |
| <p>3.12</p> | <p>Flooding Issues: The Chairman reported that the next meeting of the Flooding Issues hoped to be in January. The clerk updated the meeting on telephone calls with the various agencies on progress.</p> | <p>Chairman</p> |
| <p>3.13</p> | <p>Travellers: The chairman reported that the bollard had been installed in the entrance of Silver Lane Playing Field. He reported that he had been approached by an adjoining landowner with a request for a key to the bollard at the entrance of the playing field. The Parish Council discussed this in great detail and decided it would not possible to permit a key to be given in this instance. However, it was agreed that a resident in Silver Lane, near to the playing field would be made a key holder. Clerk to action. Chairman to report to landowner</p> | |
| <p>4.</p> | <p>PLANNING:</p> | |
| <p>4.1</p> | <p>Planning Applications Received: P/2013/01223 – Formation of a manege at Lower Stock Lane Farm, Stock Lane, Marchington Woodlands ST14 8PA. The Parish Council wish to make no comment. P/2013/01226 – Erection of a sun lounge extension on side elevation (Amended Scheme) at Lower Stock Lane Farm, Stock Lane, Marchington Woodlands Staffs ST14 8PA. The Parish Council wish to make no comment.</p> | |
| <p>4.2</p> | <p>Decision Notices Received: P/2013/00788 – Replacement of existing timber windows at Yew Tree Farm, High Street, Marchington ST14 8LD – Withdrawn P/2013/01047 – Retention of an external air conditioning unit at Woolley & Wainwright, Church Lane, Marchington, Staffordshire. ST14 8LJ. Withdrawn P/2013/01066 – Conversion and alterations of existing attached building to form dependent relative accommodation at Birchwood Bower Farm, Tinkers lane, Marchington Woodlands, Staffs. ST14 8PD. Permitted P/2013//01111 – Conversion and alterations to existing agricultural buildings to form 3 holiday accommodation including installation of new door and windows and erection of stairway on rear elevation at Forestside Farm, Marchington Cliff, Marchington Woodlands ST14 8NA. Permitted</p> | |

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| 4.3 | Other Correspondence/Matters: None | |
| 4.4 | Appeal Applications Received: None | |
| 4.5 | Appeal Decision Notices Received: None | |
| 5. | CORRESPONDENCE: War Memorials Trust – Call to remember SCC – Put out the Flags Down Your Way IMB – Monitoring Fairness and Respect for People in Custody. The Independent Prisons Monitor Volunteers need at HM Prison, Dovegate. Given to Chairman. SPCA – Annual Report 2012-13 SPCA – Gazette – Circulated to Cllrs. ESBC – Public Consultation on the 2013 refresh of the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent (2007-2013) | Clerk |
| 6. | <u>PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:</u> | <u>November 2013</u> |
| 6.1 | Monies received: | |
| | Interest | £8.66 |
| | TOTAL RECEIPTS | £8.66 |
| 6.2 | Invoices/Money Paid Out: | |
| | SPCA Chairmanship Skills Training Course – Chris/Mark | £35.00 |
| | The Play Inspection Co. Ltd. | £143.00 |
| | Wilkins & Thompson (Hacking Ashton LLP (in liquidation) | £417.00 |
| | Grant Thornton UK LLP | £240.00 |
| | Pankhursts International Ltd (Monaliths) | £600.00 |
| | Bloomin' Gardens & Landscapes Ltd (October) | £457.77 |
| | Alan Mee – Siting and concreting of Monaliths | £300.00 |
| | Henry Hall – Ground Maintenance | £117.90 |
| | Clerk – Salary and Expenses | £779.38 |
| | TOTAL EXPENDITURE | £3,090.93 |
| 7. | Proposed: Cllr. Whitehead Seconded: Cllr. Crowe <u>NEW BUSINESS</u> <u>Planning Application for the former Catholic Church site:</u> A resident of the village attended the meeting to discuss the planning application which she informed the cllrs would be taken to Planning Committee for the end of November. The resident discussed her fears with the councillors and they gave her advice on how to make representations at the Planning Committee meeting and what the procedure of the committee would be. Parking on Playing Field for the 5K run next year: Cllr Mann informed the meeting that he had been approached by Ms Hobbs requesting the playing field be available for parking during the 5k run as had happened last year. The councillors agreed to his proposed Cllr. Mann seconded Cllr. Leedham. | |

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.50 p.m.

Marchington Parish Council's next meeting is planned for 10th December 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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