# **MARTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of Marton Parish Council Meeting held on the 14 May 2019 at Marton Village Hall

## **Business of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council**

### 1 **ATTENDANCE**

• Cllr Chambers (Chair), Cllr Lummis (Vice chair), Cllr Fry, Cllr Taylor

## 2 APOLOGIES

• Cllr Crane and Cllr Roberts

#### 3 **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

- Cllr Chambers stepped down as Chair for this item on the agenda
- Cllr Fry nominated Cllr Chambers
- Cllr Lummis seconded nomination
- Cllr Chambers was unable signed the 'Acceptance of Office Form' due to the absence of the Clerk
- Cllr Chamber resumed as Chair of the meeting.

#### 4 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

- Cllr Fry nominated Cllr Lummis
- Cllr Chambers seconded the nomination

#### 5 REPRESENTATIVES FOR VILLAGE HALL COM & PLAYING FIELDS ASS.

- Cllr Lummis was nominated to continue to be a representative for MPC with the village hall committee.
- Cllr Fry agreed to take over from Cllr Hitchman the role as a representative for the MPFA.
- Reminder to Councillors to check their registration of interests and ensure
  they are up to date and correct. Also to notify the Director of Corporate
  Services of any gifts and hospitality with a value of over £25. Not checked
  during the meeting because of the absence of the clerk. To be checked by
  the next meeting.

## **Business of the Ordinary Meeting**

## 1. OPEN FORUM

- Concern was raised by a villager that the line of footpath at the start of Fields Farm Lane had not been clearly indicated as promised by the farmer at the last meeting. Cllr Lummis to follow up
- Two dead trees had been reported to the parish council located either side of the entrance to The Orchard. RBC have been informed and a job ticket allocated. Cllr Fry to follow up
- Noted that applications for disabled parking spaces need to be made to WCC and not the parish council

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### 2. ATTENDANCE

As above

#### 3. APOLOGIES

As above

## 4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL

• The minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 12 March 2019, were agreed and signed as an accurate record.

## 5. DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

No interest declared on any item in the agenda

## 6. POLICE ISSUES

a. Crime Report – From Rugby Borough Council continues to be circulated and Miranda Aston continues to forward emails with regard to issues affecting Marton and the local area. No police issues directly related to incidents in Marton have been reported.

#### 7. COUNTY COUNCILLOR ISSUES

 No progress so far on funding for redressing of footpaths for Birdingbury Road. Cllr Chambers to follow up

#### 8. PLANNING MATTERS

a. R19/0768 – Marton House Coventry Road – Extension and conversion to incorporate existing outbuildings into the dwelling. MPC were informed too late for a decision to be made at the meeting. Consultation to be made later.

## All Clirs to examine the application

## 9. VILLAGE ISSUES

- a. Marton Emergency/Flood Plan Cllr Fry explained that the meeting of MPC with the local resilience team could take place now the new council had been elected. A daytime date on a Friday would be arranged. Cllr Fry to arrange
- b. Traffic Issues
- Clir Taylor agreed to take the lead on A423 Issues
- Adam Hewett has agreed to lead on the Community Speed Watch Programme and has been in contact with Adnam Ali the WCC CSW coordinator. A risk assessment to be carried out. No cost implications for the council.
- Update on VAS system The VAS sign has now been installed opposite the Wood Yard. Item to be removed from the agenda
- c. Dog Fouling Issues
- Another quiet period. Thanks to all dog walkers.
- d. Neighbourhood Watch
- CCTV for the village is a non-starter as the police will not support the financial implications for them. **Item to be removed from the agenda**.
- e. School Bus Shelter -

After further discussion MPC decided not to take this further. Full details of the points raised by WCC are available for consultation. **Item to be removed from the agenda** 

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## f. Good Neighbour Scheme

 Jennifer McCabe the WCC Localities Officer for the area presented the case for Marton being one of the three pilot councils to trial a scheme for promoting good quality relationships in the community. Marton has instigated it's own scheme in the past but this new one offers greater resources and outside support. Councillors were provided with information packs. Initial thoughts were positive. Cllrs to read the substantial information provided and come back with a decision at the next meeting.

#### **10. VILLAGE MAINTENANCE**

- **a.** Progress on state of A423
- Drains No issues
- Hedges No issues
- Damaged blue brickwork by the old bridge has been repaired
- Damaged Give Way sign at the Birdingbury Road junction has been replaced
- Ex-Cllr Hitchman thanks for this follow up work.
- b. Village Grass Cutting In good order around the village, though the playing field is likely to be problematic at this time of the year with rapid growth and cutting being delayed if coinciding with bad weather.
  Discussion branched out into ways of improving the village green environment.
  To be explored further.
- c. Playing Field Committee issues
- **d.** Discussion of a quote for necessary repairs to the pavilion veranda concluded with an agreement on sharing the costs with the MPFA but with an understanding that MPC would play a part in funding some of the necessary replacements of doors and windows as part of the pavilion renovation. It was advised that obtaining a second quote would be good practice.
- Replacement Lamp Street lighting improvements are nearing completion
  after a more than a decade of gradual replacements. Two are to be replaced in
  Louisa Ward Close which ends the replacement of all the conventional lamp
  standards. Only those lamps attached to wooden poles need addressing,
  though this also involves the electricity supply company/BT who share the
  poles in some cases. Kevin Fennell at WCC to be approached to obtain
  quotes for next phase of replacements
- e. Marton Museum
- No more parish council issues: Item to be removed from the agenda.

## 11. WARWICKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (RUGBY AREA).

## 12. DUNCHURCH DIVISION COMMUNITY FORUM

No information – no meeting

#### 13. FINANCE

Total	£15,738.97
Deposit Account	£0.00
Current Account	£15,738.97
As of Bank statement dated	15 April 2019

Includes April 2019 Precept

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## To ratify that the following bills were paid between meetings:

26/03/19	1304	Mr Nathan Davis (Museum Roff & Guttering)	£1980.00
31/03/19	1305	Barrie Mitchell – Grass Cutting	£150.00
31/03/19	1306	Clerk March 2019	£122.54
31/03/19	1307	HMRC March 2019	£30.60
09/04/19	1308	Eon (Street Lights/Pavilion/Museum	£433.04
09/04/19	1309	Water Plus	£72.66
24/04/19	1310	Mr M Jeffs (auditor)	£65.00
24/04/19	1311	E Wallis Electrical	£372.00
24/04/19	1312	Came and Company (insurance)	£892.13
24/04/19	1313	Warwickshire County Council - Streetlights	£2,440.37
31/04/19	1314	Clerk – April 2019	£122.54
31/04/19	1315	HMRC – April 2019	£30.60
06/05/19	1316	Barrie Mitchell – Grass Cutting	£150.00
06/05/19	1317	MPFA Grass Cutting Frank Mann Farmers	£292.80
06/05/19	1318	Marton War Memorial Hall	£80.00
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## To pay

Any bills that arrive between now and the meeting

- A new online Bank Account Application has been completed, outstanding paperwork/signatories to be completed after elections
- Online banking policy has been pre-approved.

## **14. AUDIT**

• Approve and sign audit – delayed because of clerk non-attendance.

## **15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

- 9 July 2019
- 10 September 2019
- 12 November 2019

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