

Marchington Parish Council

Minutes, Tuesday 22nd June 2021

Present – Cllr Bullock, Cllr Hayes, Cllr Hayhurst, Cllr Mann, Cllr Morgan, Cllr Nixon, Cllr Tomkins
Ward Cllr – Cllr Hudson (part)
Parish Clerk – Becci Ede

Meeting commenced 19:35

1. To receive apologies and accept and record approval of absence – **Cllr Leivers, Cllr Bicknell**
2. To receive Declarations of Interest and Dispensations - **None**
3. To approve and sign the minutes as a true record of the meeting held on 4th May 2021 -
Proposed – **Cllr Mann**
Seconded – **Cllr Hayes**
4. Other Organisations –To receive reports from outside organisations.
 - a. ESBC – Cllr P Hudson to report
ESBC will hold a full council meeting on Monday 28th June, a petition from Uttoxeter regarding the master plan is being presented, Cllr Hudson to share the link for the master plan consultation with the Clerk.
Cllr Hudson agreed to speak enforcement regarding the Frostfields planning situation.
Cllr Hudson suggested that the Clerk should chase up ESBC regarding the paths and garages at Forestside - *Action Clerk*
Cllr Hudson congratulated the Marchington shop on receiving the queens award.
 - b. Staffordshire Police - Previously Circulated – **Check if recent accidents have been reported on the official website and that they appear in our next police report – *Action Clerk***
5. To consider planning applications and receive planning decisions review planning appeals and enforcement issues.
 - a. Planning Applications Received –
 - i. **P/2021/00735-** 3 Brookhouse Court, Marchington, ST14 8TU. Erection of a porch on the front elevation.
Marchington Parish Council makes no objection assuming that all environmental issues are considered.
 - ii. **P/2021/00818 -** St Peters Church, Church Lane, Marchington, Staffordshire, ST14 8LJ. Removal of damaged horizontal branch to cherry tree (C1) and remove weakest trunk of a double trunked conifer (C2) - **Marchington Parish Council makes no objection assuming that all environmental issues are considered.**
 - iii. **P/2021/00800 -** St Peters Church, Church Lane, Marchington, Staffordshire, ST14 8LJ. Remove 2 branches overhanging neighbouring property (T1) and reduce lowest limb over garden back to branch growing east (T2) of TPO 421
Marchington Parish Council makes no objection assuming that all environmental issues are considered.
 - b. Decisions Received –
 - i. **P/2021/00485-** Church Farm, Church Lane, Marchington, Staffordshire, ST14 8LJ. Remove single branch back to the main stem of 1 Field Maple tree– **NO OBJECTION**
 - ii. **P/2021/00440-** Hall Croft Farm, Hall Road, Marchington, Uttoxeter, Staffordshire. ST14 8LG. Cut back branches overhanging the road by up to 6 metres in height of 1 Yew tree, pruning of selective branches of 1 Rowan tree to maintain shape and re-pollarding to previous pollarded points of 2 Willow trees – **NO OBJECTION**
 - c. Enforcement Updates – None
6. Council owned property updates -
 - a. Play areas and outdoor park areas:
 - i. Silver Lane playground monthly safety report, Cllr Morgan – **The fencing is in a poor state, future investment should be considered.**
 - ii. Forestside playground and football pitch monthly safety report, Cllr Mann – **Several jobs need to be completed which will be passed over to the handy man. The grass has not yet been cut at either play area– *Action Clerk, speak to contractor.* The quotes to paint the play equipment at Forestside were reviewed, a vote was taken, all councillors were in favour of using the lower priced contractor. *Action Clerk, instruct work to be carried out.***
 - iii. Annual Safety Reports – **The Clerk has instructed the safety reports to be carried out in September 2021 by the usual contractor.**
 - b. Marchington Village Hall, Cllr Mann - **The hall has re-opened under restrictions, some future bookings have been taken.**
7. Marchington Woodlands Village Hall, Cllr Hayes - **MWVH committee are planning events for the coming months once restrictions have been lifted. The Hall needs to be booked for the August meeting, the MWVH committee should be invited to the meeting to discuss any issues and requests for support from the PC. *Action Clerk***

8. Finance, Chair
 a. To authorise payments as listed in Appendix A

Appendix A -June 2021

Date	Monies received:	£
29/04/21	HMRC VAT return	£3,150.56
29/04/21	SCC Doing Our Bit Grant	£600.00
30/04/21	ESBC Precept 1st payment	£14,974.85
04/05/21	Interest	£0.41
11/05/21	SCC Grant - Tree Planting	£240.00

TOTAL OF RECEIPTS **£18,965.82**

Date	Invoices/Money to be paid out:	Net	Vat	Total	Chq No
07/05/21	Reimburse Cllr Morgan - Round Bench for reflection area	£125.99	£25.20	£151.19	2438
April	Handy Man - Salary	£178.05	£0.00	£178.05	2439
	Expenses - Gate Post	£36.20	£7.24	£43.44	
05/05/21	Reimburse Cllr Morgan - Asbestos bags from Amazon	£16.62	£3.33	£19.95	2441
20/05/21	The Asbestos Company - Asbestos removal Silver Lane	£225.00	£0.00	£225.00	2440
20/05/21	SPCA - Training Course - Planning Making Effective Representations	£30.00	£0.00	£30.00	2442
28/05/21	Perennial Landscapes	£478.57	£95.71	£574.28	2443
22/06/21	Clerk's Office and Travel Expenses	£57.50	£0.00	£57.50	2417
22/06/21	Clerk's Salary	£448.80	£0.00	£448.80	
22/06/21	Machington Woodlands Village Hall - Solar Grant (Door and ramp)	£1,000.00	£0.00	£1,000.00	2444
		£2,596.73	£131.48	£2,728.21	

As of 18/06/21

Current Account	£1,003.65
Gold Account	£49,403.79
Solar Account	£46,629.55
	£97,036.99

Proposed – Cllr Hayhurst
 Seconded – Cllr Nixon

9. Face to Face Council Meetings, Chair - **The council agreed to continue with face-to-face meetings with the current set up of social distancing.**
10. Dovegate Prison Meeting, Chair - **Cllr Morgan referred to the minutes from the meeting that took place on the 14th of June. In summary, Signs will be put up directing walkers to the lake on the left side (west)of the prison. Those on the right of the prison(east) are out of bounds to everyone. Wild swimmers and anglers are not allowed to use the lakes on the east side. Planters can be made, the requirements should be sent to the new PA. The parking permits requested have now been granted. Action Clerk, send planter requirements.**
11. Community Speed Watch, Clerk - **The training is being arranged by the CSW coordinator. There are 5 volunteers, more would be welcomed, the Chair will ask for volunteers in the next Parish Magazine. The Main areas of concern are Jacks Lane, Bag Lane, the bottom of Hounds Hill and the B5017. As the equipment has not been used for some time, it may need to be calibrated – Action Clerk.**
12. Grants, Chair
- SCC grant doing our bit grant, reflection area - **Most of the grant has now been spent, the remaining will be spent soon, a full report will be sent to SCC.**
 - SCC grant for tree planting - **The money has been received; Ideas would be welcomed for the tree planting at Silver Lane.**
 - TTTV Grant - **Funding is in place and the planting will start in November 2021.**

13. Forestside, Cllr Leivers
 - a. Parking issues - **Add to next month agenda.**
 - b. Footpaths and garages - **Request meeting with Sanctuary housing re the ownership of the garages - *Action Clerk***
 - c. Public Footpath link to the Village –**Enquire about the footpath that links Forestside to the village and liaise with Evans if work is needed to make it more accessible - *Action Clerk***
14. Proposed one way system in the village, Cllr Tomkins – **Cllr Tomkins presented a proposal to adopt a one-way system in the village to help with the increased traffic. The Council discussed the proposal, all Councillors agreed that this proposal should not be taken forward at this point.**
15. Highways and Road Signs, Clerk
 - a. Damaged road signs and other furniture - Councillors to report any new issues - **The missing crossroad sign in the Woodlands has now been taken, the report should be updated – *Action Clerk***
Potholes and road surface - Councillors to report any new issues – **The pothole on Allen’s Lane is getting bigger. Cllr Hayhurst suggested that this should be fixed by South Staffs Water as they caused the damage when fixing a leak, it was reported to them several years ago when the repair took place - *Action Clerk***
On Buttermilk Hill, several potholes have been marked out but not yet fixed, report should be updated or re raised - *Action Clerk*
The Iron Man Road closure on B507 will happen on the 18th of July - No official notification has been received yet.
16. Footpaths and stiles - Councillors to report any new issues.
Footpaths are becoming overgrown; the rambling club may know what the protocol is to have overgrown plants and hedges cut back. The bridge in the 2nd field on the footpath that comes from the back of the Church yard is in a poor condition and should be looked at, again the rambling club may be able to help - *Action Clerk*
17. Correspondence
Request for meeting – Evan Property Group
Proposed expansion of Oldfield’s Middle School - Cllr Philip Atkins
Bramshall Meadows First School Consultation – Cllr Philip Atkins
Queens awards – Cllr Philip Hudson
18. Urgent items for input onto the 13th of July 2021 Meeting

Date of Next Meeting – 13th of July 2021

Meeting Closed at 21:16