

MARLDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting of Marldon Parish Council held on Monday 12th June 2017 at 7.30pm

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cllrs: Palk, Mrs Clarke, Veasey, Pennington, Joinson, Page, Webber, Sutton

ALSO PRESENT: 2 members of the public and Clerk to the Council: Jayne Owen

Before the meeting started members of the public had the opportunity to air any concerns and ask questions, which would be noted by members and if necessary raised during the meeting.

1. (6.17) APOLOGIES

Cllr. Thorp

2. (6.17) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was **AGREED** that the May meeting minutes be approved with the amendment to add Cllr Sutton to the Road Safety Committee, as a true record and accordingly signed off by the Chairman.

3. (6.17) MATTERS ARISING

- Car Parking around Church and Village Hall, Clerk to ring Mr Tarr re the query of the subletting.
- Dangerous trees at Compton narrows, Highways queried the actual position of trees and requested the area be marked on a map and returned to them.
- Notice Board at Compton, to consult with Residents Group, recommend apply for planning permission first and once agreed, arrangements can be made to move board.
- Street Naming & Numbering:
Reply received from Kate Hamp (SHDC) explaining that no response had been received from the Parish Council to the consultation. Request that we provide evidence of the email trail, however the road had been named and as previously advised any change would have to be applied for and agreed by the residents of the new road.
- Village Hall Council joint meeting re room booking
Cllr Sutton reported that the behavior and culture being created by the booking system is aggressive, she believes it to be un-cooperative for residents and users of the hall and it is run as business first. Clerk to contact Chairman of Village Hall Committee to arrange meeting.
- Disabled Parking Space

The original enquiry was made by the Speed Reduction Group, via Highways it has been established that the space is currently in use.

- Scout Hut

Still awaiting response

- Dog Bin Compton

Some confusion over this matter as the Cllr Pennington has received letter of confirmation but the Clerk has been informed that all new bins have been put on hold. Clerk to contact SHDC to request update.

4. (6.17) POLICE:

Nothing to report from the Website.

5. (6.17) FINANCE

The following payments were approved:-

Payments- Main a/c:

	£
Clerk net salary and expenses May	353.01
Clerk PAYE	74.20
Youth Worker TAP Fund Transfer to Dartington PC	3,350.00
Youth Worker Donation as agreed in Feb 17 minutes	800.00
Cumbria Clock Company - Service (5 th May 17)	165.60
South West Water - Meadow Dec 16 - April 17	16.87
Vision ICT - Annual Website Hosting & Support Fee	150.00
SLCC Membership	108.00
South West Internal Audit - annual audit fee	125.00

Receipts(April)

Allotment receipts	350.00
Precept	6,750.00
TAP Fund re TRAYE	3,350.00

BANK ACCOUNTS as at 31st May 2017

Main Account:	£29,417.29
P3 Account:	£788.58
Environment Account :	£456.54

NS&I Investment Account Balance at 31.12.2016: £20,920.14
(gross interest p.a.=£124.94)

The internal audit has taken place, no issues to report and the paperwork was now complete to be sent off for the external audit.

6. (6.17) REPORTS

DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT: None

County Councillors Report - None

MEG Report

Work carried out in May/June 2017

10th May - Four members went to Glendinnings old works on Ipplepen Road to bag up gravel into dumpy bags for future storage off site before the developers start work.

17th May - No work carried out due to rain

18th May - Steve Holley cut and cleared grass verges on Kiln Cross , Vicarage Hill, Vicarage Road and in Compton

23rd May - Three members went to f/p 5 to strim and mow the footpath from Beechglade to Rafe Coopers Gate and trim round f/p 5 Strainey Tor and f/p 6 access gates. One member cut back and tidied round access gates to Broomhill Meadow.

30th May - Four members went back to Glendinnings old site to complete bagging up the gravel. In all about seven tons is ready to relocate. One member tidied up the lane from Moorview Close to West View Road.

7th June - Four members went to f/p 1 in Compton to strim and cut back vegetation. One member continued trimming vegetation in Broomhill, one member mowed both sides of the Bridleway and one member litter picked down Vicarage Hill and Road. Steve Holley started to tackle the profuse growth of Valerian on the stone walls along Village Road and strimmed the grass around the seating area.

The refurb of the seats is underway.

A total of 40 hours of voluntary work was carried out.

G Page

Cllr Pennington relayed the thanks of the council to MEG and Steve Holley

7. (6.17) NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Results of consultation will be published in September, need to continue with the assumption that the request for Marldon to be reassessed to 10 dwellings has been agreed. The latest white paper on broken housing has prompted research into the rented/housing association/affordable- shared ownership/leasehold/empty houses within the village. A questionnaire is being finalised and will be distributed to the Village Hall users to evaluate the need of the proposed Cricket Pavillion on the meadow, and plan for the next 20 years for village facilities as part of the neighbourhood plan.

8. (6.17) PLANNING

1192/17/FUL update -refused by planners as isolated dwelling

0679/17/FUL - Extension to covered areas, Marldon Christmas Tree Farm TQ1 1RR, approved with conditions that side areas are not covered in and no residential usage. Clerk to contact SHDC re previous concerns with the site.

9. (6.17) CORRESPONDENCE

- Community First insurance, renewal received but a lot higher cost than previous year, Clerk to contact and enquire what has caused the increased cost.

- Cumbria Clock Company informed that from 2018 the cost of the annual service for the Church clock will rise to £155 plus VAT due to increased costs of fuel, wages and insurance cover.

- Event booking form received from Apple Pie Fair Committee for use of the meadow for the Apple Pie Fair - agreed. In relation to the Electrical Connection Box on the Meadow, to request sight of safety certification prior to the Apple Pie Fair.

10. (6.17) LEISURE and PUBLIC GROUNDS

Cllr. Clarke tabled a letter from Kerry McCabe (youth worker) and Rev'd Steven Jones (Curate: Totnes Ministry Team) informing of the plans and asking support of the Parish Council to ensure Marldon continues to be a welcoming and engaging place for young people for future generations. This includes:

- The formation of a long-term youth engagement strategy for the village
- Entering into partnership with our youth organisations in seeking to develop intergenerational engagement projects for the village
- Working with us to help create option for young people to have access to Marldon community facilities, most specifically the Village Hall.

It was suggested the Clerk approach other Parish Councils in the area to see how the community facilities are managed, and also to set up a meeting with Kerry/Steven with both the Parish Council and Village Hall Committee to highlight the case of the Youth Club.

11. (6.17) HIGHWAYS AND MAINTENANCE

- Potholes in Widdicombe Lane, Strainey Tor, Five Lanes, Totnes Road, Lower Westerland, Clerk to report.
- Belfield Close: Cal-de-dac sign has been removed, Clerk to report to Highways.
- Buddles blocked in Westerland, Clerk to report
- Footpath/grass bank at Churscombe need to be trimmed, MEG to look at.
- Footpaths 5, 6 & 1. Problems with cows in fields, agreed to purchase signs to indicate to walkers that cows present and to be mindful of dog behavior.
- Footpath 22, issues with overhanging trees, need to be cut back by owner of property, Clerk to write and request, with a view that Parish Council will engage contractor and rebill if not actioned within an reasonable time scale.
- Reported that Westerland lane has still not been cleaned, lower parts have been but not higher parts, Clerk to inform.

12. (6.17) MATTERS UNDER REVIEW. None

13. (6.17) BUSINESS at the DISCRETION of THE CHAIRMAN

Cllr Pennington reported that he had received the resignation of Cllr Smith, who has been a councillor since Jan 2014, to write letter of thanks. Notice to go up informing of vacancy.

14. (6.17) CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

- None

DATE OF NEXT MEETING Monday 10th July 2017.

Signed Chairman 10-7 -2017