**MARLDON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of Extraordinary/Emergency Meeting held on

 Monday 13th May 2019 at 7pm

**PRESENT:** Cllr. J T Pennington. Cllr. S Veasey. Cllr. J Clarke. Cllr. M Oliphant. Cllr. F Palk. Cllr. N Stevens. Cllr. Page

**ALSO PRESENT:** Clerk to the Parish Council, Mrs S J Watt

There were no members of the public present.

All Cllrs. Present signed their Acceptance of Office, which was duly confirmed and signed by The Clerk.

1. **(05.19) APOLOGIES:**

Apologies received from Cllr. Hawkins. Cllr. Webber. Cllr. Thorp

1. **(05.19) ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:**

Cllr. Oliphant nominated Cllr. S Veasey and was seconded by Cllr. Clarke.

Cllr. Steve Veasey was duly elected as Chairman for this meeting.

1. **(05.19) DECLARATIONS of INTEREST:**

None

1. **(05.19) PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO CONSIDER:** urgent Planning requests for consideration by 17/05/2019.

**a): 0421/19FUL: Recommendation – REFUSAL**

**b): 0643/19/HH0643: Recommendation – APPROVAL**

**C): 1118/19/HHO: Recommendation – APPROVAL**

1. **(05.19) BUSINESS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR:**

Urgent situation regarding the dangers of possible collapse of the cliff onto adjoining properties and danger of injury to passers-by behind the Village Hall.

 The report and quote received from Robin Hood, Consultant Geologist of A.R. Hood & Associates – geotechnical, was read out to the meeting. Cllr. Veasey explained, that although a number of companies had been approached, none had the relevant insurance cover to complete the works required.

A.R. Hood & Associates had already carried out some of the clearance work and were well acquainted with the problems and dangers. They submitted their quote, subject to identified extras such as the cost of Elite Scaffolding of £580.00 +vat, the collective sum is £13,630 + vat; this covered Engineers Supervisory duties and related duties relevant to the urgent works to be carried out. A.R. Hood & Associates also confirmed that they could start this week (16/17 May) and immediately secure the area. The whole works to completion would be approximately 2 -3 weeks, weather permitting.

It was suggested that Marldon Parish Council fund this work immediately as it owned the lands and the walls. This was proposed by Cllr. Veasey and seconded by Cllr. Palk. There was a show of hands in favour with one abstention. Therefore, it was minuted and duly confirmed that Marldon Parish Council would accept A.R. Hood & Associates quotation and the Clerk would inform them to commence with the works the next day.

Cllr. Pennington voiced an amendment to postpone any works for two to three weeks so he could continue to liaise with others and investigate the use of s106 funds. This was not seconded and it was stated that the Parish Council would be liable if there were any incidents or injuries because of a delay. Furthermore, the Councillors present were not aware of these discussions and could therefore, not make an informed decision and had to go with the advice of the professional geotechnical information they had been given.

The Clerk was also requested to ask A. R. Hood & Associates to obtain a quote for the Palisade fencing to 2.4mtrs in height.

The above decisions were voted on and agreed due to the high risk and Health & Safety concerns of the current situation.

The Meeting Closed at 8pm.

Signed: …………………………..

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Date:………………………………..