

Marton Parish Council

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Meeting of the Parish Council to be held at 7.30pm on
Monday 1st February 2016 at the Village School, Marton

MINUTES

Present: Mr J Rylands (JR), Mr D McGowan (DM), Mr D Schwendener (DS), Mrs L Nixon (LN), Mrs S Webborn (SB), Mr B Nolan (BN), Mr M Hodgkinson (MH), Mrs C Clowes (Clerk), Cllr Lesley Smetham (LS)

1. **Apologies for absence:** PCSO Short **16/01**
2. **Parishioners attendance: Introduction and opportunity for attendees to share points of Parish interest:** None **16/02**
3. **Declarations of Interest: 16/03**

4 members of the Parish Council who live on School Lane and Oak Lane declared an interest in the School Parking and Transport issue and all members of the Parish Council who live in Marton declared a general residents interest in Planning Application Refs: 15/2274M and 15/5637M.
4. **Minutes of meeting held on 7th December 2015:** agreed and signed as a correct record **16/04**
5. **PCSO Report:** See attached report **16/05**
6. **Planning Application Ref: 15/2274M** - Application for up to 27 dwellings and car park Land Off School Lane, Marton - **16/06**

DM advised that the appeal documents were sent in on 31st December and the Appeal will take place on 25th February. It will take 2 or 3 months after that before a decision is reached.

Planning Application Ref: 15/5673M – Application for up to 27 dwellings and car park Land Off School Lane, Marton – almost identical to the previous application. Comments are due by 4th February and the application is due to go before the planning committee on 9th March. If this planning application was to be accepted it is likely that the appeal will be withdrawn. JR will chase up the school to see if another letter to resend the original support letter can be sent, if not the previous letter can be used.

There has been a very good response from residents submitting objections and a letter of support from MP David Rutley will be submitted with the documentation.

DM and DS have met with highways to advise them that some of the highways information in the applications is incorrect having omitted mentioning some potential dangers. This info was well received by Highways.

The advisory services of John Knight have been taken on at a cost as agreed at the previous meeting. He will be able to speak at the appeal and planning committee on behalf of MPC.

It was agreed that an attempt will be made to get the inspector to visit the planning application site at the start or end of school time in order to see the traffic situation at its worse, however it was felt that it would be unlikely that this timing would fit in on the day.

It was agreed that it would be good to get as many residents attending the hearing as possible in the space available.

JR expressed thanks to all the group who are dealing with this on behalf of MPC.
7. **Marton Neighbourhood Plan: 16/07**

LN advised that this has now been through its public consultation process. There have only been 2 negative comments received and these are from the Capesthorpe Estate and the developer. All other comments have been positive. All comments will be collated and analysed and the plan will be adjusted accordingly. This will then be resubmitted to CEC hopefully by late February.

JR expressed thanks on behalf of MPC to the group working on the plan.

8. Superfast Broadband: 16/08

Superfast Broadband from BT has arrived in Marton. Residents who wish to receive this will need to pay £10 extra a month. However the service is only available for 80 properties in Marton leaving 25 properties without. Any residents who have a problem should let Cllr Lucy Nixon know. LN advised that Connecting Cheshire would like to do a photo shoot with members of the Parish Council celebrating the arrival of superfast broadband in Marton. She will send details of this around to members to see who is interested. **LN**
Thanks were expressed to Lucy for all her hard work on this.

9. Marton School Liaison: 16/09

JR advised that the main issue for this at the moment is the School Lane planting and it is hoped that other issues can be tackled in time by liaising with a school governor contact.

10. Village maintenance 16/10

a) Road flooding:

- Oak Lane - Ref: 3226776 (16.02.2015) – this has now been cleared but JR believes there may still be an underlying problem.
- Oak Lane – BN advised that there is another area of flooding on Oak Lane – JR and BN will look into this and get it logged. **BN, JR**

b) Other:

- Weeds along footpath – a lot has been cleared on Oak Lane but work still needs doing on the A34. MH will chase this up with Andy Simpson. **MH**
- Paving and noticeboard on the village green – The round of grants from Tesco had finished but will be reopened in April 16 when DM will submit an application. **DM**
- Village Signs – the job is in the pipeline according to Cheshire East. Some of the signs have been fixed already but many have not yet.
- Pump Cottage – structural problems – Clerk emailed Capesthorne and a response has been received advising that the matter is in hand.

11. Community Pride Competition 16/11

BN advised that the school planters still need cleaning and replanting. MH has the equipment needed to do this. BN and MH will liaise to organise this **BN, MH**. It was agreed by the meeting that MPC will organise composting and replanting for this year and that the fence planters will be mounted on the fence. It was agreed that a subcommittee made up of JR, BN and MH will meet to put a strategy together for the jobs to be carried out during the year.

12. Highway and road safety matters 16/12

- a) Speeding & accidents on A34 – nothing to report.
- b) Community Speed Watch Scheme – no further progress.
- c) Congleton Link Road – DM advised that a letter of support had been sent to Eton but advising that MPC did not approve of the part that says the last part of the proposed road may not be completed.

13. Marton School 16/13

- a) School Transport resolved, remove from agenda. **Clerk**
- b) School Parking – ongoing.

14. Planning 16/14

- a) **15/2274M** - Land Off School Lane, Marton - Application for up to 27No. dwellings and car park – **Refused – Decision under appeal**
- b) **15/4113M** - Land at COCKSMOSS LANE, MARTON, CHESHIRE - Erection of agricultural dwelling – **Refused**
- c) **15/5350M** - LA POPOTE BISTRO, CHURCH FARM, CONGLETON ROAD, MARTON, SK11 9HF - Extension to existing restaurant, kitchen and formation of toilets - **Awaiting Decision**
- d) **15/5637M** - Land Off School Lane, Marton - Erection of up to 27No. Dwellings – **Awaiting Decision**
- e) **15/5703M** - CHERRY TREE COTTAGE, BUNCE LANE, MARTON, CHESHIRE, SK11 9HQ - Listed Building Consent for Garage & Office Building to Replace Existing Double Garage Consent – **Awaiting Decision**
- f) **15/5710M** - CHERRY TREE COTTAGE, BUNCE LANE, MARTON, CHESHIRE, SK11 9HQ - Garage & Office Building to Replace Existing Double Garage Consent – **Awaiting Decision**
- g) **16/0370M** - MOSS BANK FARM, COCKSMOSS LANE, MARTON, CHESHIRE, SK11 9HX - Prior approval of proposed change of use of agricultural buildings to two dwellings – **DM will email councillor's comments to Clerk to forward to planning.**
- h) Weekly planning lists – circulated by email

15. Parish Council Website 16/15

- Transparency Code Requirements – Declaration of interest forms have now been received for JR and MH. Passed to LN to scan for website and she will post back to Clerk. **LN**

16. Finance 16/16

- a) Cash Book and bank reconciliation – agreed and signed.
- b) Cheques totalling £885.90 - agreed and signed -
- c) Internal Audit Recommendations – Risk Assessment Review – Councillors reviewed the template risk assessment and agreed which parts were needed and relevant for MPC. Clerk to type up for next meeting for agreement. **Clerk**
- d) Pension – standard letter to Clerk signed by Chairman. Clerk to send copy to JR for his records. **Clerk**

17. Budget 2016/17 16/17

Precept amount to be amended to £3100. To be added in: costs for John Knights services £1350 and village meeting costs £180.

18. Chairs remarks & reports from members attending external meetings 16/18

Clerk to try and source meeting dates for 2016 ChALC meetings and circulate to councillors for them to agree who will attend each meeting. **Clerk**
Next meeting is on 6th April 2016 at Mottram St Andrew village hall.

19. Correspondence 16/18

- a) All other correspondence has been circulated by email

20. Any other business 16/19

- a) Village Meeting 21st March 2016 – it was agreed to give a minor update on the Neighbourhood Plan and that it would be good to get the police to do a talk on internet fraud and one other talk would be needed. Councillors to think about options and agree via email.
- b) Missing bollards on Oak Lane – BN advised that 10 bollards are missing on the lane which is causing a problem with cars parking there. DS suggested that MPC could pay for these at £15 each. LS advised that this would need to be cleared with CEC first because it is their land. MH and BN will look into this with Andy Simpson. **MH, BN**
- c) Possibility of rear entrance access to bungalows on Oak Lane for easier refuse removal? BN advised that residents have been asking if this would be a possibility and after discussion it was felt that this would not be possible with the current planning situation in Marton.

21. Dates of future meetings: 16/20

- 21st March 2016(Annual Village Meeting)
- 9th May 2016(AGM)
- 4th July 2016
- 12th September 2016
- 5th December 2016

Meeting closed at 9.30pm