MUCH MARCLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held in the Memorial Hall On Wednesday 14th February 2018

Chairman T Weston

Councillors M Barber-Starkey

G Baker R Cotton
N Bullock F Powell
A Taylor E Thomas

Also Present D Baldwin Clerk to the Council

B Durkin Ward Member

12 members of the public

100. Apologies for absence – Apologies were received and accepted for J Blandford

101. To receive Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were received at this point in the meeting.

102. Public Participation

Residents raised their concerns of the anti-social behaviour of a resident in Glebe Orchard. Although Kemble Housing and West Mercia Police were involved they felt that the support of the Parish Council would add weight to their complaint.

Information was given concerning the Neighbourhood Watch scheme and the use of Smart Water. The local scheme is not currently active and it was felt that this should be resurrected with the support of the Parish Council.

103. Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 13th December 2017 were approved as a correct record of that meeting and signed by the Chairman.

104. Ward Member Report

Councillor Durkin presented his report, previously circulated by email, with the main points being: Council Tax set at an increase of 4.9%. 75% of the budget allocated to Adults social care.

RESOLUTION: That the report be noted.

Councillor G Baker left the meeting.

105. Neighbourhood Plan

105.1 The Chairman of the Neighbourhood Development Plan Working Party Informed Councillors that the Much Marcle NDP had been submitted to Regulation 15 ending on Friday 16th February. A briefing on the outcome will be presented at the next meeting.

RESOLUTION: That the submission to Regulation 15 be noted.

105.2 Councillors considered the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party report of the 12th December 2017.

RESOLUTION: That the report of the meeting held on the 12th December 2017 be noted and approved.

106. General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

The Clerk informed Councillors of the new legislation concerning the enforcement on the 28th May 2018 of the new General Protection Regulations and the appointment of a Data Protection Officer. With neither the Clerk or a Councillor, at this current stage, able to act as the DPO, the advice from HALC is look at them employing a single DPO to act on behalf of all members with the fees spread across participating Councils, this would then be more affordable. An update will be presented at the next meeting.

107. Glebe Orchard

Councillors received information on the anti-social behaviour of a resident in Glebe Orchard under Kemble Housing. The allegations are of drug abuse and threatening behaviour.

RESOLUTION: That the Council report this to Kemble Housing and West Mercia Police.

108. Planning

108.1 Planning applications

a) Site Phillips House, Much Marcle, Ledbury, HR8 2NL

Description Proposed removal of derelict outbuildings, construction of

replacement garden room (orangery), conversion of garage to kitchen, new external rear door and porch and minor internal

alterations

180072FH Recommend approval

b) Site Phillips House, Much Marcle, Ledbury, HR8 2NL

Description Proposed removal of derelict outbuildings, construction of

replacement garden room (orangery), conversion of garage to kitchen, new external rear door and porch and minor internal

alterations.

180073L Recommend approval

c) Site Upper Greens Place, Rushall Road West, Woolhope, Herefordshire

Description Proposed variation of condition 2 of planning permission 163596

(Proposed erection of new dwelling and retention of existing dwelling as ancillary building) to allow raising of FFL, reducing pitch of roof

and retention of 2 doors and 1 porch for the existing cottage.

180153 No comments to submit.

108.2 Planning Decisions

Hillend Farm Refusal of Permission

109. Highways

109.1 Speed Limit on A449

Councillors received a presentation of the from a senior Highways Engineer from Herefordshire Council on the speed awareness on the A449. In their opinion a reduction of the speed limit would not be effective or enforceable. Therefore, their proposals are to bring into force a number of engineering measures to stimulate considerate driving. This would be in the form of the use of phycological barriers such as dragons' teeth markings, red patches, rumble strips, more repeater signs and the narrowing of the carriage way by white lining. It was also suggested that white gateways could be considered.

109.2 Speed Limits C1294 & C1262

Councillors were informed that the proposal to reduce the speed limit on the C1294 and C1262 had been successful. A 30mph limit will be implemented.

109.3 Highways Issues.

Councillors were reminded that the March litter picking, as previously resolved, is due and that each Councillor to attend to their appointed areas.

Items for reporting: Ditches overflowing by Jink Robbin and the Vennings, Ditch collapsing from Jink Robin to the Jubilee Tree. Potholes at Caerswall, Watery Lane by Sunnybank, Kempley Road to Whittocks End, Piccadilly Bridge, Hall Court and Kynaston to Rushall.

110. Financial Items

110.1 Summary of Receipts and Payments

In the absence of Bank Statements this item to be deferred to the next meeting.

110.3 Invoices for Payment

Councillors considered the payment of the invoices for:

Memorial Hall £30.00

Staff Salaries January and February £412.18

Foxley Tagg £521.61

RESOLUTION: That the payment of the invoices as above be approved.

110.3 Grants

In the absence of a Bank Statement this item be referred to the next meeting

111. Correspondence

Councillors reviewed the list of correspondence received.

HALC Information Corner.

RESOLUTION: That the list of correspondence be noted

112. Matters to be raised for the next meeting

Renting out Bartons Playing Field

Glebe Orchard

113.	Date	of	the	next	meeting
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The next meeting is currently scheduled for the 14th March 2018.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm

Signed		_ Date	
	Chairman		