MUCH MARCLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held in the Memorial Hall On Wednesday 13th September 2017

Chairman T Weston

Councillors M Barber-Starkey J Blandford

R Cotton F Powell A Taylor E Thomas

Also Present D Baldwin Clerk to the Council

B Durkin Ward Member

4 members of the public

45. Apologies for absence – Apologies were received and accepted for Councillor N Bullock. Councillor G Baker absent

46. To receive Declarations of Interest

Councillors E Thomas and t Weston declared an interest to Item 8.1c: Planning on the agenda.

47 Public Participation

The applicant for planning application 172848 addressed Councillors on her application for a proposed tourist enterprise of sustainable camping cabins with a temporary dwelling. She informed Council that the 3-bedroomed temporary dwelling is to support the campers and would not become a permanent dwelling. She believed that this application would provide a much needed campsite to support tourism within the parish.

A resident informed Councillors of the dog waste problem in the village. He had collected dog waste bags that had been left at the entrance to Bartons Playing Field and the corner of Church walk. It was suggested that this item be placed on the next agenda.

48. Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 19th July 2017 were approved as a correct record of that meeting and signed by the Chairman.

49 Ward Member Report

Councillor B Durkin presented his report, previously circulated by email, with the main points being:

The tour of Britain cycle race travelling through the county.

The upgrade and repair of three roads, A403, A405, A438

The introduction of on street pay and display parking in Hereford city.

RESOLUTION: That the report be noted.

50. Neighbourhood Plan:

50.1 The Chairman of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party gave an update to Councillors Further comments from Herefordshire Council indicated 'in principle' support for treating Rushall and Kynaston as a joint settlement within the meaning of

Core Strategy Policy RA2. In light of the comments and advice from Foxley-Tagg Planning, the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party reconsidered the position with regard to the Garden Plots at the rear of Monks Meadow and recommended to the Parish Council the following:

- a) use the terms 'Allocated sites within Settlement Boundaries', 'Allocated exception sites outside Much Marcle Settlement Boundary' and 'Windfall building conversions' to describe our housing supply proposals;
- b) include the Garden Plots at the rear of Monks Meadow within the 'Allocated sites' etc... category, and approach the owners to ascertain their willingness to bring their plots forward for development during the Plan period up to 2031;
- c) include a new section of text and a table showing how we propose to meet the proportionate housing growth target 2011-2031, and indicative numbers of new dwellings proposed for each site allocation within the Plan.

RESOLUTION: That the Parish Council approve the above recommendations for inclusion within the Neighbourhood Development Plan.

FURTHER RESOLVED: The use of an independent assessor.

50.2 Councillors considered the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party reports of the 25th July and the 8th August 2017.

RESOLUTION: That the reports of the meetings held on the 25th July and the 8th August be noted and approved.

51. Website

The Clerk gave an update on the Parish Council website. As instructed by Council, the Clerk and Councillor Barber-Starkey addressed the issues to bring the website up to the standard required. In order to meet the deadline for the Neighbourhood Development Plan, using the Clerks delegated powers for an emergency between meetings and in consultation with the Chairman, an independent website developer was engaged to help with the design. The NDP section of the website is now at a good standard and it was proposed to Council that the developer used should be appointed as the website administrator, replacing Eyelid Productions, with immediate effect. The Clerk would like the Council to note the help and support given by Councillor Barber-Starkey and express her gratitude for his aid with this matter.

RESOLUTION: That Councillors approve the changes to the Parish Council website and appoint Newman Designs as the website administrator and developer with immediate effect.

52. Planning

52.1 Planning applications

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

Description Fell 8 Trees 173241 No Objections

b) Site Meadow Cottage, Much Marcle, Ledbury HR8 2NN

Description Dismantle double garage and concrete slab. Re-build a new

double garage and workshop extension.

173107 No Objections

c) Site Playford, Much Marcle, Ledbury, HR8 2NN Description Proposed campsite and temporary dwelling

172848 Support this application Vote: 4 for 2 against

52.2 Planning Decisions

None received.

53. Highways

53.1 Review of Speed limits in the Parish

Councillors considered the formal review of the speed limits on the A449 and the C1294 / C1262 (How Caple and Watery Lane) and highlighted the following comments for submission:

The crossroads where the B4024 and the C1262 meets the A449 is a grave concern due to the speed of traffic on the A449 and the four exits are onto the A449 and anyone who is turning towards Ledbury from the two B & C roads are at risk of collision. This is due to the lack of visibility and the speed allowed on the A449 taking into account the straight off over a mile long and vehicles entering the junction are in excess of the current speed limit. The limit area should be extended further down the straight in order for traffic to decelerate sooner. The junction is busy especially during school time with many parents dropping off children. The bus collects the children attending the high school in Ledbury from outside Weston's Garage and the majority cross the A449 to the bus stop. There have been many accidents at this junction and it is only a matter of luck that there has not been a fatality yet. The Parish Council have received many complaints concerning the speed limit and notably the speed on the B4024 and Watery Lane, where it is too dangerous for pedestrians to walk down to the Shop and Village School, due to the lack of a safe walkway and the 40mph speed limit.

54. Financial Items

54.1 Summary of Receipts and Payments

The Clerk presented a report of the Payments and Receipts for the period to 24th August 2017, showing a bank balance of £4399.19

RESOLUTION: That the summary be approved.

54.2 Invoices for Payment

Councillors considered the payment of the invoices for:

Foxley Tagg NDP £900.00
Staff Salaries August £206.19
Staff Salaries September £205.99
PATA Payroll agents £32.00
Memorial Hall NDP £60.00

RESOLUTION:	That	the	payment	of	the	invoices	in	the	sum	of	£1404.68	be
approved.												

55. (Corres	pond	ence

Councillors reviewed the list of correspondence received.

HALC Information Corner

Locality Report

RESOLUTION: That the list of correspondence be noted

56. Matters to be raised for the next meeting

Dog waste issues

Volunteers for Highways

Budget 2017/18

57. Date of the next meeting

The next meeting is currently scheduled for the 13th September 2017.

Meeting closed at 9.05am

Signed		Date	
	Chairman		