

## MUCH MARCLE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting  
Held in the Memorial Hall  
On Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

<b>Chairman</b>	<b>M Barber Starkey</b>	
<b>Councillors</b>	<b>G Baker</b>	<b>J Blandford</b>
	<b>N Bullock</b>	<b>R Cotton</b>
	<b>A Hope</b>	<b>T Weston</b>
<b>Also Present</b>	<b>D Baldwin</b>	<b>Clerk to the Council</b>
	<b>J Edwards</b>	<b>Footpath Officer</b>
	<b>2 members of the public</b>	

**94. Apologies for absence** – Apologies were received and accepted for Councillor F Powell, E Thomas and Ward Member Barry Durkin

**95. To receive Declarations of Interest**  
No declarations of Interest were received at this point in the meeting.

**96. Public Participation**  
No members of the public present wished to speak.

**97. Minutes**  
The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018 were approved as a correct record of that meeting and signed by the Chairman.

**98. Ward Member Report**  
In the absence of Councillor Durkin, Councillor M Barber Starkey presented his ward report with the main points being: The Parish Liaison officer has left Herefordshire Council after 12 years of service, the recent Budget announcement included £5,108,000 for Herefordshire highway maintenance to include pothole repairs, delay in the publication of the New Electoral Register.

**RESOLUTION: That the report be noted.**

**99. Glebe Orchard**  
The Clerk reported that West Mercia Housing had not consulted the Parish Council on the vacancy at Glebe Orchard as in compliance with its section 106. It was discovered that this was due to the changes in the housing authority and that they had not been aware of the section 106 with local connection for prospective tenants. The Clerk had requested that in future the Parish Council be informed of all local vacancies. There had also been a lack of applications from local people on Homepoint. It was suggested that

to address this issue an article in the Mercury and on the website informing local people on how to make sure they are on the list and able to apply when properties become available.

**RESOLUTION: That an article be placed in the Mercury and on the website.**

#### **100. Village Shop**

Councillors reviewed the information received that the Village Shop and Post Office could be closing at the end of June. In order to establish the correct information, it was suggested that the owners of the shop be approached for the facts in order for the Parish Council make an informed consideration. Councillor Hope offered to talk to the owners on behalf of the Parish Council.

**RESOLUTION: Councillor Hope to approach the owners of the Village shop to establish the facts and report back at the next meeting.**

#### **101. Parish Council Summit**

Councillors considered the invitation to the Parish Council Summit held by the leader of Herefordshire Council, Councillor Jonathan Lester, to the Chairman of the Parish Council.

**RESOLUTION: That the invitation be accepted.**

#### **102. Planning**

##### **102.1 Planning applications**

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| a) Site     | <b>Hillcrest, Much Marcle, HR8 2PF</b>   |
| Description | Variation of a condition 2 172438/F (Proposed replacement dwelling) additional carport/bike store    |
| 184143      | No Objections  |
| b) Site     | <b>Picketts Corner, Much Marcle, HR8 2NL</b>   |
| Description | Proposed felling and replacement of Conifer trees and hedging.                                       |
| 184358      | No Objections  |
| c) Site     | <b>The Mount, Much Marcle, HR8 2NB</b>   |
| Description | Replacement of glazed UPVC double doors with glazed hardwood timber double doors in a painted finish |
| 183966      | No Objections  |

##### **102.2 Planning Decisions**

Upper Greens Place, Much Marcle HR8 2PF Appeal Decision

### **103. Highways**

#### **103.1 Footpaths and Rights of Way.**

The Chairman reported that the Footpaths Working Group meeting had been held on the 6<sup>th</sup> January 2019. Two local residents had joined the group to help the Parish Footpath Officer with walking the parish footpaths and reporting back with any issues. Also, to help with minor repairs and coordinate maps to identify the parish footpaths. The Parish Footpath Officer reported that he left another message with a landowner concerning the spraying out of the crop invasion onto a footpath. This had not been done yet, but he would ask again.

**RESOLUTION: That the Highways working Group report be noted.**

**103.2** A local resident raised the issue of the speed limit on the A449 and asked that the Parish Council continued with its campaign for a reduction and also for the dragon's teeth hatching area at the crossroads. The Highways group will arrange a meeting with Herefordshire Locality Officer to liaise on outstanding highways issues.

### **104. Financial Items**

#### **104.1 Financial Report**

Councillors considered the summary of receipts and payments.

**RESOLUTION: That the summary of receipts and payments be approved**

#### **104.2 Bank Reconciliation**

Councillors considered the Bank Reconciliation as of the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019.

**RESOLUTION: That the Bank Reconciliation of the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018 showing a balance of £ 4836.20 be approved.**

#### **104.3 Invoices for Payment**

Councillors considered the payment of the invoices for:

Staff Salaries January 2019	£181.39
HALC website Hosting	£66.00

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

### **105. Correspondence**

Councillors reviewed the list of correspondence received.

HALC Information Corner

**RESOLUTION: That the list of correspondence be noted**

### **106. Matters to be raised for the next meeting**

Village Shop

Highways

Bartons Playing Field

**107. Date of the next meeting**

The next meeting is currently scheduled for the 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019

**Meeting closed at 8.40pm.**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Chairman**