

MUCH MARCLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held in Much Marcle Memorial Hall On Wednesday 12th January 2022

Chairman	M Barber-Starkey	
Councillors	S Cotton	A Hope
	F Powell	T Weston
	E Thomas	
Also Present	B Durkin	Ward Member
	D Baldwin	Clerk to the Council

1 Member of the Public

- 72. Apologies for absence** – Apologies were received and accepted for Councillors G Baker, J Baldwin, E Weston and the Footpath Officer J Edwards
- 73. To receive Declarations of Interests**
No Declarations of Interest were given at this point in the meeting.
- 74. Public Participation**
Ward member Councillor Durkin presented his report as of the January 2022 with the main points being, Old Gore Ward networking between Parishes with a meeting set for March, Household support Grant of £60, Upton Bishop flooding action group who will help other parishes with their own plan, support for veterans of the armed forces now need to know where they are in order to help them, Old Gore crossroads due to reopen on the 5th February 2022.
- 75. Minutes**
The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 17th November 2021 were approved as correct record of that meeting and be signed by the Chairman.
- 76. Police Community Support Officer**
No PCSO attended at the meeting, Councillor Barber-Starkey will invite them to the next meeting.
- 77. Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**
Councillor E Thomas reported that he had received no offers of help from the public so far. The Church committee would like to discuss further after they have had their full

meeting. The decision on whether to progress needs to be taken at the Parish Council meeting in March.

78. Representations

In the absence of Councillor Baldwin, the Chairman reported that the Working Group of the Memorial Hall had been successful in their bid for a Climate Change Grant of £15,000. This will put towards an upgrade of better insulation and a more efficient heating system.

RESOLUTION: That the report be noted

79. Jubilee Tree Planting

It was suggested that a tree to commemorate the Queens Platinum Jubilee should be planted on the Barton's Playing field. Councillor Hope proposed that an oak tree be planted in the space caused by the removal of a dead tree previously. It was felt that the tree should be planted as soon as possible and a plaque to added for the Jubilee. Councillor Hope offered to purchase the tree on behalf of the Parish Council and was given a budget of up to £250.

RESOLUTION: That the Parish Council approve the purchase and planting of an oak tree with a budget of up to £250 to include the stake and preparation of the planting area.

80. Herefordshire Community Foundation

In the absence of Councillor Baker this item to be deferred to the next meeting.

81. Parish Tidy

Councillors considered the requirements for the next Parish Tidy. With the success of the last Parish Tidy it was felt that this should be run in the same format. Councillor Weston will print off the flyer for distribution around the parish and the time was set to meet at the two locations of the Memorial Hall and Rushall Club at 10am on the morning of 26th March 2022.

RESOLUTION: That the flyer be distributed 1 week before the next Village Tidy on the 26th March 2022, meeting at 10am at the Village Hall and Rushall Club.

82. Planning

82.1 The Clerk informed Councillors that no response had been received from Herefordshire Council for the possible encroachment on the roadside outside the property Evergreen. The Clerk was instructed to chase and to keep Councillor Duking informed.

RESOLUTION: That the Clerk continue to chase Herefordshire Council and to keep Ward Member Councillor B Durkin informed.

82.2 Planning Decisions

Permission granted: Phillips House, Much Marcle 214107

83. Highways

83.1 Footpaths & Rights of Way

In the absence of the Footpath Officer and Councillor J Baldwin no report was available, but the Footbridge that crosses the parish boundary with Little Marcle was discussed. It was suggested that the Footpath officers of both parishes meet to discuss options.

RESOLUTION: That the footpath officers of both Much Marcle and Little Marcle meet to discuss options for the footbridge.

83.2 Highways

Councillor F Powell informed the Council that he had reported the numerous potholes along the Kempley road and would also report the blocked drains at Kynaston.

RESOLUTION: That the report be noted.

84. Finance

84.1 Receipts and Payments

Councillors considered the summary of receipts and payment as of the 31st December 2021

RESOLUTION: That the summary of receipts and payments be approved

84.2 Bank Reconciliation

Councillors considered the Bank Reconciliation as of the 31st December 2021

RESOLUTION: That the Bank Reconciliation, showing a balance of £14,084.41 be approved

84.3 To approve the list of invoices for payment.

Staff Salaries	January 2022	£186.08
Staff Salaries	February 2022	£TBC
Microsoft 365	Two months	£22.56
PAYE		£418.80

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

84.4 Budget/Precept 2022-23

Councillors considered the proposed Precept for 2022/23 of £9075.00

RESOLUTION: That the Precept be set at £9075.00.

85. Correspondence

Councillors reviewed the list of correspondence received.

Locality report

Dymock Forest Rural Action

RESOLUTION: That the list be noted.

86. Matters to be raised for the next meeting

Queens Jubilee Celebrations, Tree Planting, Herefordshire Community Foundation,

Police PCSO, Parish Tidy, Biodiversity and Environmental working group

87. Date of next meeting

The next meeting is currently scheduled for the 9th March 2022.

Signed _____
Chairman

Date _____

Meeting Close 8.40pm