

# Martley Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2012 in the Village Hall

Present: Cllr. D. Goodyear (Chairman), Cllr S Cumella, Cllr G Dawson, Cllr T Gale, Cllr M Gardner and Cllr M Walker, District Councillor B Williams and Mrs J Dale (Clerk)

There were 7 members of the public present.

### Democratic Period/ Public Question Time: -

- A member of the public raised the subject of noise from the new play area and requested that the opening hours be restricted. Council agreed to pass the complaint to Martley Recreation Association.

**68.12 Apologies** – Apologies were received from County Councillor Davies, Councillor Nott (work) and Councillor Studer (work).

**69.12 Declarations of Interest** – There were no declarations.

**70.12 Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> August were approved and signed accordingly.

### **71.12 County & District Councillor Reports:**

County Councillor Davies had sent a report saying that he had awarded £650 from his Divisional Fund to Martley Short Mat Bowling. He also reported that through the Footpath Initiative the footpath from the Primary School to just beyond Church Lane would be repaired. This was one of 3 footpaths to be accepted and the work will be very expensive.

He is also still looking for a volunteer to act as a Governor to the Primary School. Councillor Gardner kindly agreed to take this on.

District Councillor Williams reported on the current status with recycling in the village. MHDC are currently planning that kerbside glass recycling will hopefully commence next April. However in the meantime she has been in touch with Head of Services for a temporary solution.

### **72.12 Planning:**

12/00967/LBC – Plum Tree Cottage, Demolition of Garden Store – Council support this application

12/00800/HOU – Highview, Collins Green – 2 storey side extension and single storey rear extension - Council support this application

12/00614/HOU – 4 Hockhams Lane, Rear extension and detached garage. – Council support this application.

12/00917/HOU – Three Acres – amended plans supported

12/00306/FUL – Grove Farm – APPLICATION APPROVED

12/00452/FUL – Workshop & Office rear of Laugherne Villa – APPLICATION APPROVED

12/00451/FUL – New toilet block, Pencroft Ltd – APPLICATION APPROVED.

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- 73.12 Recreation Association:** MRA would like to place a wooden name sign on playing field. After discussion it was agreed that the best place to position it would be in the corner by the gate/car park.
- 74.12 Neighbourhood Plan Committee:** The chairman gave a brief report of the last meeting which was concerned mainly with the plans for the Open Morning to be held on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September. He is drafting a letter to Harriet Baldwin, MP. District Councillor Williams reported that no-one from MHDC Planning would be able to attend the event.
- 75.12 SWDP** – Cllr Cumella had prepared a draft response which requires some minor alterations and will be submitted by the deadline.
- 76.12 Meeting with Elisabeth Skinner** – The meeting will be held on 10<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00 pm and the main topics to discuss will be Planning Policy/Neighbourhood Planning and SWDP.
- 77.12 Councillor's Areas:** Councillor's areas had been drawn up and were distributed. These areas will go into the Villager along with contact details for each Councillor – residents should make contact with the appropriate councillor. Each councillor will allocate work for the Lengthsman from their own area and monitor if the work has been carried out satisfactorily.
- 78.12 St Peters Church:** A request has been received from the Church for financial assistance towards a repair bill of over £1200. Council agreed to contribute £600 towards this account.
- 79.12 Correspondence:**  
 Email from Hartlebury Parish Council re proposed waste incinerator. Cllr Cumella felt that council needed to know much more detail before they could make any contribution to the discussion – noted.  
 Email from Lee Ball, Crown Inn – after discussion it was agreed that Cllr Cumella would see Mr Ball in person to try to resolve the situation.  
 Email from Peter Tebbit, CALC MHDC Chairman re analysis of websites – noted  
 Audit Commission – appointment of new auditor letter
- 80.12 Progress Reports:**  
 Village Hall – library electricity costs. Village Hall Committee meeting tonight and Chairman of VHC had said they would have a proposal after the meeting. Ongoing Aqua Cleansing – clerk has spoken with Aqua Cleansing and the work is ongoing  
 Evening Transport provision – 4 survey responses have been received. It seems that neighbouring parishes also feel that this would not be sustainable due to timings of the service.  
 Affordable Housing Survey – clerk awaiting responses from MHDC.  
 Dog Signs – Discussion took place on dog fouling and the clerk to contact Environmental Services at MHDC about this problem.  
 PPP Funds – clerk has appointment to view past accounts on 10.9.12. – Ongoing
- 81.12 Finance:**  
 The payments as previously circulated were approved and cheques signed accordingly.

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The clerk reported that an “unqualified” audit had been granted and that the annual return has been posted on the notice board and the My Parish website.

**82.12 Lengthsman:**

Additional duties for September include:

- Overgrown weeds at end of Jury Lane outside St Peters Court. Trim what is overgrown on footpath.
- Grips Hillside – Lengthsman will be asked to contact the Chairman about this problem.
- Clear moss off pathway from Laugherne Park to Masons Arms.

**83.12 Clerk’s urgent decisions:** There were none.

**84.12 Councillor’s Reports and items for future agenda:**

The bin opposite Rogers Coaches needs a replacement liner.

The last bus from Worcester on the normal service leaves the city too early for working people. Clerk to contact WCC.

**85.12 Date of next meeting:** The next meeting will be held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 7.30pm in the village hall.

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

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4<sup>th</sup> September 2012

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