# Martley Parish Council Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 1st October 2012 in the Village Hall

Present: Cllr. D. Goodyear (Chairman), Cllr S Cumella, Cllr T Gale, Cllr M Gardner, Cllr M Nott, Cllr T Studer and Cllr M Walker, County Councillor A Davies, District Councillor B Williams and Mrs J Dale (Clerk)

There were 4 members of the public present.

# **Democratic Period/ Public Question Time: -**

- The problem of traffic using Jury Lane was raised. The suggestion was made that the signage at the entrance to the lane requires improvement and a more substantial barrier at the end of the lane. County Cllr A Davies agreed to refer this problem to WCC Highways Dept.
- A problem with drainage opposite Betts Ecology was raised. The work of the lengthsman during day of particular heavy rain was commended.
- **86.12** Apologies Apologies were received from Councillor Dawson (work)
- 87.12 Declarations of Interest Cllr Walker declared an interest in item 11.
- **88.12 Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> September were approved and signed accordingly.

#### 89.12 County & District Councillor Reports:

County Councillor Davies reported that a further meeting would take place on the proposed community transport. Cllr Walker agreed to attend.

He also pointed out that the Neighbourhood Plan should cover the next 20 years and be reviewed every 5 years.

He also reported that he would not be standing for re-election in May 2013. Chairman thanked him for his involvement with the village over the last 20 years.

District Councillor Williams reported on some Neighbourhood Plan training that had taken place. As requested by Council she had approached the SWDP team about whether the council could allocate the sites for housing themselves. She read out a long detailed reply (Email on website).

## 90.12 Planning:

12/00917/HOU – Three Acres, Willow Road – APPLICATION APPROVED 12/01159/FUL – Horsham Court Stables, Conversion of existing stables to dwelling with associated garages – Council support 23/00800/HOU – High View, Collins Green – Amended plans – Council support

- **91.12** Neighbourhood Plan Committee: The chairman said that the plan is currently being written and will probably come to Council for approval at the January 2013 meeting.
- **92.12 Future Housing** Taylor Wimpey are planning to hold a public consultation on October 19<sup>th</sup>. The Clerk to arrange meetings between (a) Taylor Wimpey and Council and (b) Richard Bray and Council to discuss the current status.

Signed .....

Date .....

- **93.12 Granting of dispensations –** The clerk explained the new rule about dispensations for councillors interests. It was agreed that the agenda would still be issued at the same time and the clerk would notify any councillor who she felt could have an interest to apply for a dispensation.
- 94.12 Councillor's Areas: As Cllr Dawson was absent this item will be held over.
- **95.12 Council Logo:** The logos prepared by Georgiana Baxter were reviewed and voted upon. A new logo was selected.

#### 96.12 Correspondence:

Village Hall – library electricity costs – a communication was read out from the Treasurer. After discussion it was agreed that Cllr Gale would seek further advice on the current heaters being used.

Email re Tenbury Policing Area - noted

Email from M Walker re Play Area noise and planning permission issues. – the planning issue raised had been resolved.

Letters had been received concerning the noise from the play area. This correspondence arrived too late for any decision to be made therefore the clerk will reply accordingly.

Letter received from A Palmer resigning as Tree Warden. To be placed on next agenda.

#### 97.12 Progress Reports:

Weighbridge use by Longside Radio - ongoing Crown Orchard – it was agreed to approach the Brewery about this problem as more complaints have been received. Recycling facilities - ongoing

#### 98.12 Finance:

The payments as previously circulated were approved and cheques signed accordingly. PPP Account – the clerk had reviewed the cash books since the inception of this scheme and agreed a balance with John Nicklin. She reported that there are very few parish records held in the archive and that apparently the minute books are held by a parishioner. The clerk to ask for the safe return of the books.

#### 99.12 Lengthsman:

Additional duties for October include:

- Footpath Hastings Close to Playing field the trees require trimming
- Grips Hillside Lengthsman will be asked to contact the Chairman about this problem.
- Verge St Peters Court requires tidying
- Overgrown tree St Peters Drive hanging into the road
- Willow Road hedge Cllr Nott to handle

# **100.12** Clerk's urgent decisions: Planning permission issue on playing field. Dog signs for playing field have been ordered.

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## 101.12 Councillor's Reports and items for future agenda:

The bin opposite Rogers Coaches needs a replacement liner.

It was suggested that we ask children how they would like to see the village in 40 yrs time – via Chantry.

Cllr Studer will investigate broadband speeds further.

Cllr Gale reported a problem with the camber on Hillside which should be reported to WCC.

Willow Trees in Church Lane – Cllr Nott again reported that he is very concerned about these trees. Clerk to contact Highways Liaison Engineer.

Hedges require trimming in Church Lane and from Weighbridge to village. Clerk to arrange.

Large pot hole in Hope House Lane close to Touchwood Cottage.

**102.12 Date of next meeting:** The next meeting will be held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in the village hall.

The meeting closed at 9.37 pm.

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