

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 4th November in the Village Hall

Present: Cllr. D. Goodyear (Chairman), Cllr M Gardner, Cllr T Gale, Cllr A Hayes, Cllr M Nott, Cllr T Studer, Cllr M Walker. District Councillor Mrs B Williams and 5 members of the public present.

96.13 **Apologies:** Apologies were received and accepted from County Councillor P Grove and Mrs A Jackman

97.13 **Declarations of Interest:** There were no declarations.

Democratic Period/ Public Question Time: -

Martley Pre-School reported that their numbers were very low and they needed to recruit new children. Martley Court owner had given permission for their banner to be placed on the rail. District Councillor Williams suggested that the pre-school apply for a grant from the Grammar School Charity.

The owner of Martley Court said he was shocked that the Parish Council had started to work on the hedge in the centre of the village. Need to clarify ownership of hedge asap and keep Mr Albutt informed. Mr Albutt handed Cllr Gardner 2 copies of a map of his boundaries from his deeds.

98.13 **Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting of 7th October were approved and signed accordingly.

99.13 County and District Councillors Reports:

District Councillor Williams reported that the Fair Energy Scheme is still open. She reported that Phase 1 of the SWDP Independent Examination was completed and that the inspector said that 36,000 houses are needed in South Worcs not 23,200 as proposed. SWDP not yet adopted. She also reported that MHDC does not have a 5 year land supply under the NPPF.

100.13 Planning:

13/01169/HOU – The Oast House, Martley. First floor extension to create bedroom with bathroom. Council felt insufficient information has been submitted and deferred a decision.

13/00985/HOU – Westfort, Hillside. Rear 2 storey extension. Council support the application.

101.13 **Martley Relief in Need Charity:** Cllr Goodyear proposed, seconded by Cllr Gardner that District Councillor Barbara Williams continue as Parish Council representative on this committee. Passed unanimously. Cllr Williams accepted the proposal.

102.13 **Martley Pre-School:** Councillors discussed the situation the pre-school find themselves in however as they do not pay business rates they felt they were unable to help. They will look sympathetically at any ideas the pre-school may have.

103.13 Correspondence:

MHDC – Rough Sleeping figures 7th November - None

MHDC – Flooding and Drainage mapping - noted

WCC – Parking and congestion issues – Martley Village - noted

MHDC – Martley Conservation Area appraisal - noted

Email from Alan Taylor concerning Doddenham Lane to access to A44 - noted

MHDC re Precept request – December meeting

104.13 Progress Reports:

Pavement from VH to Referral Unit: - ongoing

Community Assets - ongoing

Hollins Lane road condition and drainage – work completed

Ankerdine hill – hedge trimming - completed

Signed.....

Date

105.13 Neighbourhood Planning:

Cllr Cumella gave a brief report on the meeting held on 31.10.13 when the content headings of the proposed plan were proposed. The committee wish to collect email addresses of parishioners for ease of communication. It is also planned to hold a community event sometime in January to gather information.

106.13 Finance:

Payments approved and cheques signed accordingly.
2014-2015 budget to come before December meeting.

107.13 Lengthsman:

Usual duties, clearing leaves and gullies.

108.13 Clerks Urgent Decisions:

Purchase of Epson EBS02 Projector - noted

109.13 Councillors Reports:

Cllr Studer – frustrated with situation regarding hedge.
Cllr Gale – wanted it recorded that all Parish Councillors should listen to each other.

110.13 Date of next meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for Monday December 2nd in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

Janet Dale
Clerk to Martley Parish Council
11th November 2013

The notes of the meeting were taken by Cllr Gardner in the clerk's absence.

Signed.....

Date