

NORTH MARSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of North Marston Parish Council held in The Village Hall,
on Tuesday 16th September 2008 at 8.00pm

Attendees: Cllrs Symonds (Chair), Finnemore, Gomm, Gillett, Williams and Martin and Sue Mordue (Clerk). 3 members of the public attended.

57. **Apologies:** none.

58. **Open Forum:**

- a. Parishioners commented that the footpath from Granborough Road along side the Martins house and up to the field is overhanging with trees. BCC Rights of Way Officer to be notified.
- b. Smell of petrol had appeared in the cellar of 2 High Street and the bathroom of 4 High Street. Environmental health officer will be visiting to try and find the cause of this.
- c. Alan Williams who is a professional web designer presented his ideas for the village website as an information service for the village. The site would be hosted by him and would include pictures and people's stories and events that have taken place today in the past. He would host the site and the Parish Council could have an email address from it. He advised that he would build the site and make amendments to it for no charge to the Parish Council. Others wishing to submit advertisements and such like would be charged.

59. **Declaration of interest:** none.

60. **The minutes of the last meetings** held on Tuesday 19th August were confirmed as a true record.

61. **To update on matters arising** from the minutes of the last meetings: The Clerk reported that:

- a. The protruding drain cover and the road condition around 49 Quanton Road had been reported to BCC for repair. Schorne Lane still needed holes/depressions from Morton Close to Church Street filled.
- b. AVDC have confirmed that they will be removing the chain fencing on the path between Portway and Schorne Lane.
- c. Joanna Swift AVDC Legal advised that the NM&G magazine can edit the Parish Councils minute and publish them as they like as long as they make sure it is annotated that they are edited/abbreviated and they do not mislead in any way.

62. **To consider correspondence** and other communications received since last meeting including:

- a. Letter from Val Price in respect of fly posting – Clerk to respond advising that AVDC are spearheading the campaign against fly posting it is not just the village. Fines can be imposed and a copy of the leaflet with the details to be sent to Mrs Price. Clerk to also write to the school to see whether a Village Noticeboard could be erected outside the school. Cllr Gomm will put up the noticeboards at bus stops shortly.
- b. Request to plant a tree at the pond in memory of Evelyn Parker – the Parish Council were happy to agree to this request however would ask that the final height of any tree should be considered when choosing what to put in and it should not be spiky or poisonous.

63. **North Marston and Granborough Community Sports field:** Cllr Gomm advised that an advertising sign had been put up on the netting and planning permission has not yet approved this. Concern also expressed that it may damage the netting. Cllr Gomm and Martin will both attend the meeting on Thursday.

64. **Neighbourhood Action Group (NAG):** Cllr Gomm advised that PCSO is looking into what can be done about dog fouling. The leaflets that were going to be put up apparently just get removed by kids. The answer may be to enlist the help of a dog warden if a known person continues to let their dog foul but they need to catch them doing it. Speedwatch – Whitchurch, Oving, North Marston and Granborough are now all committed to a joint purchase and Pitchcott have shown interest in joining as well. Winslow may now not be included in this joint scheme as they are much bigger with different issues. County Councillor Quintin Ing-Chambers will hopefully cover the insurance of the devise for the next year.

65. **Play Area:** Clerk still awaiting cost for a sign but will circulated a proposed layout. This item will be carried forward to next meeting.

66. **Communication:** Website: the Council now has three options:

- a. Jo Radcliffe would set one up and run it as a commercial concern for her so costs would be involved.
- b. Nick Thompson who developed and maintains the Granborough website would charge for undertaking this for North Marston.
- c. Alan Williams would develop the site and maintain it for the Parish Council for free and then may charge other users for their adverts.

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The Council agreed that illustrations of other websites he has set up would be circulated and a decision made at the next meeting.

67. **Finance:**

- a. The accounts year to date August 2008 could not be signed off as the circulation had not been passed on due to holidays. This would need to be signed off at the next meeting.
- b. The Council resolved to issue the following cheques:

Mazars (Auditors)	chq 797	£334.88
Lynch Garden Services	chq 798	£90.00
Clerks Pay & Expenses (Aug)	chq 799	£296.19
Lynch Garden Services	chq 800	£90.00
Archie Dancer	chq 801	£256.00
- c. Audit: Confirmation of the completion of audit has been received from Mazars and the return displayed on notice board.

68. **To receive an update on potential breaches of planning permissions:**

- a. Hart Hill Barn – Litremetre – meeting had been held and they must implement the parking arrangements as per the permission within 6 weeks and it must include a turning head. They have asked for the details of the light to see whether this meeting with the approval or not and AVDC will continue to monitor this.
- b. Three Corner Piece – AVDC have opened a file and will now make contact with the owner to establish whether a change of use is required.

69. **Date of the next meeting.** Will be Tuesday 21st October 2008 at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

Signed Date