

# NORTH MARSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of North Marston Parish Council held in The Village Hall,  
on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2008 at 8.00pm

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**Attendees:** Finnemore(Chair), Gomm, Gillett, Williams and Martin and Sue Mordue (Clerk). 8 members of the public attended.

92. **Apologies:** Cllrs Symonds, District Cllr Sue Polhill.

93. **Open Forum:**

- a. Concern was expressed over the impact on visibility caused by the Village Hall Hedge – Cllr Martin advised it is cut regularly and is due a cut.
- b. Marston Fields Road – packets of food and muffins have been found lying around.
- c. Village Shop committee outlined location for a temporary shop at the Village Hall and advised a website had been set up [www.northmarstonshop.co.uk](http://www.northmarstonshop.co.uk).

94. **Declaration of interest:** Cllr Finnemore and Cllr Martin advised of their prejudicial interest in item 103 as Trustees, Cllr Finnemore advised of her prejudicial interest in item 95. Cllr Gomm advised of his potential interest in item 103 as a neighbouring land owner however the Council agreed this would not prejudice him regarding the appointment of a trustee so agreed he had no interest to declare in this agenda item on this occasion. Cllr Gillett advised of her prejudicial interest in respect of item 95 due to her husband being on the committee.

*Cllr Finnemore and Cllr Gillett left the meeting*

95. **Village Shop:** the Council resolved that in principle it was in favour of a temporary building/shop operating from the Village Hall site subject to normal planning permissions. Cllr Gomm also requested that an increase in car parking size could be considered for this.

*Cllr Finnemore and Cllr Gillett returned to the meeting*

96. **The minutes of the last meetings** held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November were confirmed as a true record subject to an amendment that Cllr Gomm had been asked to 'join' the AVD for Crimestoppers, not 'chair' it.

97. **To update on matters arising** from the minutes of the last meetings: all covered by agenda.

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

- a. BCC Delegated Budget Scheme – the Council resolved it had no projects to be considered for this scheme.
- b. It had been agreed that Play in the Parishes would be held in North Marston Village Hall on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2009.
- c. Cllr Gomm requested the purchase of 3 reference books for the Council – the Council resolved that they could be purchased for the Councils use.

99. **Neighbourhood Action Group (NAG):**

- a. Cllr Gomm currently checking whether his own insurance is affected by having the speed watch device on his premises. It will be covered separately by the PC insurance.
- b. The NAG is organising a huge Youth Event on 25<sup>th</sup> April which will invite youths from the surrounding villages to Winslow and have information there on careers, groups, opportunities entertainments etc.
- c. Anti Social Behaviour – The Police were called to the Hazelton's daughters Halloween party in the Village Hall as there was fighting and excessive drinking by 16 year olds, where local residents had to get involved. There were no adults in attendance at the party despite the hiring contract stating that 2 adults must be in attendance. The Village Hall Committee hires it out on trust and so they are powerless to do anything really and had been let down. Damage was caused in the toilet, the Preschool cupboards were gone through and some of the children's and staff photos in the entrance lobby were removed and scattered around the grounds, the sand pit hinges were also broken and there were bottles all over the grounds. Letters of complaint had been received from the Preschool regarding the damage and local residents who were caused distress along with their children and these will be discussed at the next Village Hall Committee meeting.

100. **Notice Boards:**

- a. New Notice board outside the school – the clerk had approached James Tattam to build a new notice board like the new one he has just installed for Granborough however he declined to quote as it taken him longer than he had thought to make it and he is currently very busy. Therefore Roy Randles has been

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asked to quote to make a similar board. Clerk is checking out planning permission as this is actually a replacement for the board that used to be there before the new fencing at the school.

- b. Cllr Gomm advised that he had made up the new noticeboards for the bus shelters and would put these up soon.

101. **North Marston and Granborough Community Sports field:** A public meeting had been held with all the plans on display but not that many people attended implying everyone seems happy with the current plans and communications. A Race night had raised £1225 which is excellent support for the project. Working Party is continuing well.

102. **Play Area:**

- a. Cllr Symonds and Martin had re installed the goal post and this is now secure and upright.
- b. No update available from Cllr Symonds regarding the top rail of the gate.
- c. Clerk advised that the new sign had been received from Sign Wizzard and was ready to be put up. The Council resolved that it should be erected at the car park entrance to the area on the fence and Cllr Martin agreed to put it up.

*Cllrs Finnemore and Martin left the meeting. Cllr Gillett took the Chair for this item only:*

103. **Poors Piece and Clocklands:** The Council resolved to approve the Trustees request to appoint Michael Morton as a Trustee for the charity.

*Cllrs Finnemore and Martin returned to the meeting.*

104. **Freedom of Information Act** – the Council resolved to adopt the New Model Publication Scheme. Clerk would prepare publication scheme.

105. **Highways:** To report and update on issues and repairs: Quanton Road still has indentation by the old Chapel.

106. **Footpaths & Footways:** To report and update on issues and repairs: Dropped kerb outside the Hitchin's house is loose.

107. **Street Lighting:** To report and update on lighting issues and repairs: none to report.

108. **Finance:**

- a. The Council signed off accounts year to date September 2008 as reviewed.
- b. The Council resolved to issue the following payments:

Lynch Garden Services	807	£90.00
Wendover PC re training Cllr Finnemore	808	£30.00
Sign Wizzard	809	£91.17
Clerks Pay & Expenses (Oct)	810	£304.94

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

- a. Hart Hill Barn – Litremetre – work continues to the car park.
- b. Three Corner Piece – no progress to report.

110. **Date of the next meeting.** Will be Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2008 at 8.00pm.

This meeting was followed by a closed session where the Council resolved:

111. The Council agreed to Cllr Gomm's request to postpone his questions until there was a full Council present.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

Signed ..... Date .....