

# NORTH MARSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk to the Council Mrs Ruth Millard

## Minutes of a General Meeting of North Marston Parish Council held at the Village Hall on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2015 at 7.30 pm

### Open Forum for Parishioners: (under adjournment)

100 Club draw August – 1<sup>st</sup> 59 Gill Beagent, 2<sup>nd</sup> 93 Sarah Forsyth, 3<sup>rd</sup> 19 Allan Still

100 Club draw September – 1<sup>st</sup> 61 Roy Randells, 2<sup>nd</sup> 74 S&T Gates, 3<sup>rd</sup> 56 M&S Squire

- The state of the Bus Stop outside The Bell, *Cllr IM offered to clean it at the weekend.*
- Growth of weeds and grass growing up from between the wall and the pavements from the Old Forge going up to the School and also the other side of the Pond. *Ask Terry Lynch for a quote to clear the growth.*
- A resident made a statement relating to 97/15 i
- Kevin Hewson apologised for being late and asked if there was anything that any one wanted to know. Cllr IM said that being new Councillors they were not entirely sure what the responsibilities of BCC and AVDC were. Especially the grass cutting in the Village. *Cllr KH said that he would find out and email it to the Clerk.*

**88/15 Attendance;** Cllr Rob Symonds (RS), Cllr Ian Mordue (IM), Cllr Paul Ketteridge (PK)

Cllr Diana Hogbin-Mills (DH-M),

District Cllr Kevin Hewson

Clerk Ruth Millard

**Parishoners;** 3

**Apologies;** Cllr Sarah Thompson (ST), Cllr Scott Raven (SR), and County Cllr Janet Blake

As the Chairman was not present the Vice Chair Ian Mordue became Chairman for the meeting.

**89/15 Co-option;** Jack Webb had been invited to attend the meeting to be co-opted on to the Council. He signed the Acceptance of Office and was witnessed by the Clerk. He was also handed the Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest form to fill in and send back to the Clerk within 28 days.

The Chairman welcomed him to the Council.

**90/15 Members Interests;** Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the North Marston Parish Council Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011. None declared.

**91/15 Approval of Minutes;** To agree the minutes from the General Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Hall on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2015.

**Resolved;** the minutes of the 14<sup>th</sup> July 2015 to be a true representation of the meeting and the Chairman signed them.

**92/15 Enviroment;**

**a) Highways, Footpaths & Footways and Street Lighting:**

- i. The light outside 10 Church Street is still not working.
- ii. The road side hedge that belongs to 9,11 and the Mill house, High Street, needs cutting back as a matter of urgency.
- iii. A complaint from the resident that the new curbing that is being reinstated around the Church has made it impossible for the bus to drive up to the school or the residents to reverse out of their driveways.

**Resolved;** i. The Clerk contacts the lighting company again asking them to check the light.

- ii. That the Clerk writes a letter to the residents of 9, 11 and Mill House reminding them of their responsibilities, sends it to Cllr IM to deliver.

iii. The Clerk acknowledges the residents complain and refer them to Transport for Bucks.

**Action; RM & IM**

**93/15 Parish Action Plan/Projects:**

**a.** Parish Barn; Cllr RS reported that Jon Martin and Kevin ..... will be refurbishing the Barn in the first week in August. Cllr IM asked at whose expense. It had been agreed that they would do the labour and the Parish Council would pay for the material.

**b.** Playground; Report of the annual Rospa Inspection. Items mentioned in the Playground report that needed attention, the matting under the springy activity, the concrete around the swizzle activity and the holes under the see saw. Also mentioned is the finger entrapment at the gate. The Clerk reported that over the summer period a member of the public had reported that the guttering was flowing over the defibrillator, a member of the public had reported the rope monkey bars that needed attention and the pre-school had reported the cracking and sinking of the footpath through the Village Hall garden, causing a trip

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hazard. Mr Millard had attended all immediately. The Council requested that he submit an invoice for the work. **Action; RM**

- c. Pond refurbishment; Cllr JW reported that Archie Dancer was ready to line the pond, he had sources a liner that would cost £280. The Parish Council discussed that the pond needed to be dug down further and puddle the Clay.

Resolution; Cllr RS & Cllr PK would take a look to make sure that it was suitable to lay a liner. They would circulate their recommendation via email. **Action; RS & PK**

- d. MVAS and Speed-watch – Cllr RS reported that he was waiting to hear if the equipment could be updated to vehicle recognition.

Resolved; that when Cllr IM heard that the software could be updated he should contact Cllr RS to help update the software. **Action; RS & IM**

## Village Hall:

- a. Village Hall extension; no further forward. He reiterated that ideally the footings for the extension for the stage area, at the back of the hall, needed to be started. This would hold the planning application that had been approved. There was a deadline of March 2016. He would make a concerted effort in getting this moved forward

- b. Village Hall roof and electrics; Cllr IM reported that he was now in possession of the plans and previous reports, he would update the Council, mid month in time for next months meeting. **Action; IM**

- c. Schorne Pre-School, the Clerk reported that there was 1 item outstanding. That the Pre-School is looking at a copy of the hiring agreement for general hirers and hasn't come back to the Council with suggestions to amend it.

**Resolved;** that the Clerk send them a reminder and say that they have been sent a Standard agreement is there anything that they want to amend on the standard agreement or shall the Parish Council proceed with the standard agreement.

- d. **Oil inspection;** Cllr RS reported that it was below halfway.

**Resolved;** that the Clerk, Googles boilerjuice.co.uk enter 1000 ltrs and it will give the price for the day. Ring the company that the Parish Council uses and request that they price match.

## Committees & Working Party:

- Village Hall working party – Cllr IM reported that he is no further forward.
- Sportsfield committee –
- Sportsfield meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2015.
- The Sportsfield had requested funds to refurbish the Trimtrail, a total of £1320.00.

**Resolved;** that the Parish Council would pay the cost.

- Dog fowling; Cllr IM reported that at the moment dogs were only allowed on the sportsfield on a lead. The next stage would be to ban dogs all together.

## 94/15 Planning;

**15/02838/APP** – 16 Schorne Lane North Marston Conversion of garage into living accommodation, new front porch and replace rear flat roof with low pitch roof.

**Resolved;** no objection.

**15/02659/COUAR** – Hillview Paddocks St Johns Lane North Marston. Determination as to whether prior approval is required in respect of transport and highway impact, noise, contamination risk, flooding and locatioinal considerations for the conversion of one agricultural building into one dwelling (under Class Q(a)).

**Resolved;** Invalid wrong address, no information, no yellow notice put up.

## 95/15 Finance;

Receipts and Payments of Accounts; To note the financial statements of accounts and bank reconciliations, to the month end.

The Clerk reported that she hadn't forwarded the bank reconciliations as she hadn't completed to the month end.

## Account Balance: 30<sup>th</sup> August 2015

North Marston PC Account	....8137	£24516.52
North Marston PC Account	....5882	£8034.96
NM Sports-Field Account	....7128	£6548.15
NM Village Hall Account	....9968	£18920.88

## Receipts: August 2015

Receipt	Date	Name	Amount
PC Account....8137	10 August 2015	Interest	1.07
SF Account....7128	10 August 2015	A Cowell Cricket 23 Aug	190.00
VH Account....9968	17 August 2015	Mr Franklin	40.00

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## Parish Council Accounts: to be paid in September 2015

Payee	Power	Cheque Number	Amount
Lynch Garden Services , 4153, 4121, 4101, 4058	LG(misc prov)A 1976, s19	001246	300.00
ER Millard, July 2015 Remunerations	LGA 1972, 112	001247	Confidential
ER Millard, August 2015 Remunerations	LGA 1972, s112	001248	Confidential
E.on – 22 July 2015		001249	263.89

### Village Hall: to be paid in September 2015

Payee	Power	Cheque Number	Amount
Anglian Water 1 August 2015	LG(misc prov)A 1976, s19	DD	122.40
E.on	LG(misc prov)A 1976, s19	000405	170.70
Emma Lynch - invoice 29	LG(misc prov)A 1976, s19	000406	100.00

### Sportsfield: to be paid in September 2015

Payee	Power	Cheque Number	Amount
Anglian Water, 1 August 2015	LG(misc prov)A 1976, s19	DD	21.14
E.on	LG(misc prov)A 1976, s19	000426	78.72
Gill Beagent, 1 <sup>st</sup> prize - Aug	Lotteries and Amusements Act 1976, s7	000427	30.00
Sarah Forsyth, 2 <sup>nd</sup> prize - Aug	Lotteries and Amusements Act 1976, s7	000428	20.00
Alan Still, 3 <sup>rd</sup> prize - Aug	Lotteries and Amusements Act 1976, s7	000429	10.00
Roy Randles, 1 <sup>st</sup> Prize - Sept	Lotteries and Amusements Act 1976, s7	000430	30.00
S&T Gates, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize - Sept	Lotteries and Amusements Act 1976, s7	000431	20.00
M&S Squire, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize - Sept	Lotteries and Amusements Act 1976, s7	000432	10.00

**Resolved: that the Accounts and Bank reconciliations are correct and the invoices presented be paid.**

#### 96/15 Correspondence Circulars and Consultations;

- 23.07.2015 Bucks County Show - Thursday 27th August 2015 - Parish Clerks
- 21.07.2015 Transport for Buckinghamshire Depot Open Evenings
- 25.07.2015 AVALC - A letter for your Chairman
- 27.07.2015 ACTION REQUIRED RE: HS2 Community and Environment Fund
- 29.07.2015 Trevor Bonsor – North Marston
- 05.08.2015 Kevin Hewson - Neighbourhood Plans
- 06.08.2015 Neighbourhood Plans Briefing Session for AVDC Cllrs and Town and Parish Councils
- 10.08.2015 Wendy Taylor - August Newsletter
- 14.08.2015 Parish Devolution Project - REVISED Date - SEP 18<sup>th</sup> 2015
- 21.08.2015 Economic Development Priorities
- 02.09.2015 BCC – Footpath

**Resolved: to note the correspondence.**

#### 97/15 Closed session; Resolution to exclude the press or the public under, Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1 (2) for the remainder of the meeting.

- i. The complaint to the Council; to hear any updates and decide how to progress. The Council discussed the complainant's statement at the beginning of the meeting.

**Resolved;** accepted that this issue was very important to him but there was nothing the Council can do.

- ii. Lease for The Club;

**Resolved;** To invite representatives of a new committee to speak to the Council regarding a new lease.

#### 98/15 Open Forum for Councillors: (under adjournment)

- Jason Franklin has requested to be able to tender for the grass cutting for next year.
- A parishioner has requested a pick stick so that when he is out walking he can clear any litter he comes across.

#### 99/15 Date and time and venue of the next meeting; The next Parish Meeting will be held at the Village Hall, North Marston on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 7.30 pm **TBC**

**Meeting concluded at 10.20 pm**

Chairman's signature .....

Date.....

Initials.....