# Minutes of the North Marston Parish Council Meeting held virtually

# on ‘Zoom’ Tuesday 9th March 2021 at 8.00pm

# Due to the coronavirus meetings cannot be held in a public place NALC briefing dated 3rd April 2020

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Attendees**:** Cllr Mordue,Cllr Symonds, Cllr Du Plessis, Cllr Martin, Cllr Hogbin-Mills, Cllr Boyt, Clerk Rachel Callander & 6 members of the public

100 Club Draw: March Draw: 1st prize 6 Alan Still, 2nd prize 21 Jon & Angie Martin, 3rd prize 9 Jayne Dancer

**022/21 Attendance and apologies;** None

**023/21 Members Interests:** None

**024/21 Minutes:** Approved minutes of the meeting dated 9th February 2021

**025/21 Planning application:**

* 21/00198/APP North Marston Pub- No objection on the basis that 1. It is infill and 2. A heritage report required due to the application being in a Conservation area.
* 21/00154/APP 2 High Street, Wheatsheaf Farm – No objection on the basis that the footpath is not moved

**026/21 Buckinghamshire Council – Cllr Scott reported:-**

* **Covid Testing:** Secondary school pupils – testing will be arranged by schools. Primary and secondary school staff – twice-weekly tests, members of a household, childcare bubble or support bubble of staff or a pupil you can get a twice-weekly test
* **May Elections:**The Cabinet Office have published guidance on the [Government’s approach to elections and referendums during COVID-19](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fr.pblc.it%2Fc%2F270368299%3Falt_obj%3Dhre%26method%3Demail%26url%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Fwww.gov.uk%252Fgovernment%252Fpublications%252Fthe-governments-approach-to-elections-and-referendums-during-covid-19&data=04%7C01%7CScott.Raven%40buckinghamshire.gov.uk%7C4cddc853b27c4aa240af08d8df307d6f%7C7fb976b99e2848e180861ddabecf82a0%7C0%7C0%7C637504746749918873%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=bx4SswU31DvG6E8VrPs9qF1uFJrFJPYy%2Fig3AWQkoeA%3D&reserved=0). In summary: From 8 March, one-to-one campaigning outdoors, such as leafleting and canvassing, will be allowed. From 29 March, the planned provision for six people or two households to meet outdoors will support further outside campaigning, such as activists campaigning in a group along a local street.
* **Call for Brownfield Sites:** In order to reduce the amount of greenfield land required for development, we want to identify potentially suitable brownfield sites for housing and commercial development. The types of site we are looking for include land that was previously used for any kind of employment and is now vacant or underused; empty retail units and garage sites. We are also interested in any of these types of site that will become vacant over the next 5-10 years. Please visit Your Voice Bucks to find out more and to [submit a brownfield site for consideration](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fr.pblc.it%2Fc%2F270374110%3Falt_obj%3Dhre%26method%3Demail%26url%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Fyourvoicebucks.citizenspace.com%252Fplanning%252Fbrownfield-call%252F&data=04%7C01%7CScott.Raven%40buckinghamshire.gov.uk%7C4cddc853b27c4aa240af08d8df307d6f%7C7fb976b99e2848e180861ddabecf82a0%7C0%7C0%7C637504746749928866%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=G9oVYBk562terwHz97TxNt2CNdng1w5eSzg05ZTBxa0%3D&reserved=0).
* **The Budget:** National government absolved much of the Council’s costs from the Covid-19 crisis – the rest was covered through existing Council’s savings (£43million spent on Covid-19 response, £42.8million support from national government). Extra funding has been given towards flood prevention and gully clearing this year, but there is no great investment in social care.

**027/21 Neighbourhood Plan:**

* An initial draft will be completed end March and hopefully a final plan ready for the NPSG May meeting. The plan will then be presented to the PC prior to going to a referendum.
* The PC aspirations are to be given to the Steering Group asap – Cllr Mordue

**028/21 Environment :**

1. Highway**:**

**Resolved:**

* **40154617 4 Church Street, near kerb left side of road – 5 day notice was given**
* **401512195 Verge end of 69 Quainton Road**
* **40155691 18 High Street**
* **40156125 49 Portway**

**No action:**

* **40128797 2 blocked drains left side below** St John’s Manor
* **40131558 White lines at Junction of Schorne Lane & Church Street**
* **40130662 Blocked drain High Street**
* **Blocked drain outside Valentine cottage Quainton Road logged again.**
* **40155622 Outside Pilgrim Pub**
* **40155993 Outside 7 High Street**

ii. **Hedges/Village Upkeep**

* Village classification for the hedge cutting & mowing and wildflower verges – Cllr Hogbin-Mills and Cllr Du Plessis to finalise proposal with a map by end March to circulate to contractors.
* Agreed a ‘We are watching you’ campaign for dog mess will be produced in A5 size.

**029/21 Parish Action Plan/Projects:**

* **Bucks Local Plan:** Statement of Community Involvement & Brownfield call for sites (email sent 16th Feb 2021) was covered by Cllr Raven under 026/21.
* **Playground –** 
  + 1. Kompan have finished the path between the 2 playgrounds, placed the boulders and will re-do the grass matting underneath the swings. The FCC grant will be fulfilled by end March. W/c 15th March the base for the pagoda and the thermographics for the basketball area will be completed. The seeding of the area will commence soon, weather depending, and the pagoda delivered by end March. Agreed the playground would be open by end March but the grass areas will be fenced off to allow the seeding to become accomplished. A Summer opening of the full playground will take place.
    2. It was discussed that an accident had occurred on the 9th March and the Parish Council have been in touch with the family. The piece of equipment in question was removed to prevent others from using it, whilst why this happened is looked into. All the equipment had been signed off by Rospa Play Safety in August.
    3. Agreed the CCTV will be installed asap – Cllr Mordue
* **Village Hall –**

1. Resolved: Signed off P.R.A Randles quote for £220.00 for the meter cupboard and £30.00 for the missing skirting in the Village Hall.
2. Agreed no action was needed for the Churches Fire remedial works. Cllr Mordue to check all signage.

* **Website** –

1. Agreed to select a new word press template for the website in the April meeting -Cllr Mordue

* **Traffic Calming –** No proposals were received
* **Land opposite 29 Quainton Road –**

1. Cllr Martin and Cllr Mordue to look at the boundary between the barn and the adjacent land and a decision to be made in the April meeting.
2. Cllr Mordue has been informed by the people who erected the fence that they are aware that residents are unhappy with the fence and that the fence would be removed by the next meeting. No fixed dates were given. NB:*The fence is not the responsibility of the PC and therefore the communication from Ian is as a representative of a group of neighbours and not the PC*

* **Notice Board (top of school hill)**

1. Discussed P.R.A Randles quote for £150.00 for the school hill notice board to be mended. Clerk to ask to re look at materials and to replace the posts.

**030/21 Finance:**

* Resolved: 2 community applications for the 2021/22 NMPC £800.00 donation fund were received.

£300.00 was awarded to the ECC and £500.00 to the 1st Granborough scouts.

**031/21 Posts and Consultations received by councillors:**

* Bucks Local Plan: Statement of Community Involvement & Brownfield call for sites 16/02/21
* Oxford Cambridge Arc Policy document 18/02/21
* HS2 Road Safety Fund 18/02/21
* Free NALC Event 18/02/21
* Parish Liaison Meeting 27/01/2021 18/02/21
* BMKALC Newsletter 18/02/21
* Future of New Homes Bonus Consultation 22/02/21
* Update for Town and PC from Bucks Council 01/03/21

**Receipts and Payments of Accounts**

**The following will be paid for the Parish Council**

Clerk March salary £\*\*.\*\*, (incl 10 hours March magazine) no VAT included

Clerk February expenses £120.26, £2.94 VAT included

E.on electricity (01.01.2021-31.01.2021) £ 169.03, no VAT included

Aylesbury Mains Ltd (replacement lanterns) £1,536.00, £256.00 VAT included

Chapman Planning (neighbourhood plan) £2765.00, no VAT included

**The following will be paid for the Village Hall**

Emma Lynch £75.00, no VAT included

Wave water (09.11.2020- 08.02.2021) £73.59, no VAT included

E.On electricity Schorne Room (02.02.2021-02.03.2021) £19.64, £0.98 VAT included

E.On electricity VH (02.02.2021-02.03.2021) £35.75, £1.79 VAT included

**The following will be paid for the Sportsfield**

E.On electricity (17.01.2021-17.02.2021) £69.17, £3.29 VAT included

Wave water (09.11.2020- 08.02.2021) £11.97 no VAT included

Sign Wizzard Ltd £130.06, £21.68 VAT included

000693 100 club 1st prize Alan Still £30.00, no VAT included

000694 100 club 2nd prize Jon & Angie Martin £20.00, no VAT included

000695 100 club 3rd prize Jayne Dancer £10.00, no VAT included

**032/21 Next Parish Council meeting:**

* April 13th 2021 Zoom

***Rachel Callander - Parish Council Clerk***