# **Minutes of the North Marston Parish Council Meeting at the Village Hall**

# **Tuesday 14th December 2021 at 8.00pm**

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**Attendees:** Cllr Mordue, Cllr Symonds, Cllr Du Plessis, Cllr Newman, Cllr Martin, Cllr Gomm, Clerk Rachel Callander & 3 members of the public

**100 Club Draw: December double Draw:** 1st prize 81 Des & Jan Quinn, 2nd prize 28 Richard Rowland, 3rd prize 45 Rachel & Trevor Callander

**111/21 Attendance and apologies;** Cllr Boyt, Cllr Hogbin-Mills

**112/21 Members Interests:** Cllr Du-Plessis 118/21 Point 1 - paving, Cllr Newman 118/21 point 2

**113/21 Minutes:** Approved minutes of the meeting dated 9th November 2021

**114/21 Planning Applications:**

 No objections - 21/04162/APP Oak House, Church Street

 Written request for evidence on alleged contravention – 18/02342/APP Land off Marston Fields

**115/21 Buckinghamshire Council**

1. 21/00657/ACL reviewing the process used.
2. Parish/Barn boundary of the plot of land on Quainton Road – Clerk to ask an independent surveryor to mark the boundary and for a fence to be erected. Cllr Gomm thanked Cllr Mordue for his professional conduct during a time of bombardment from the alleged ‘owners’ of the land.
3. The planning portal is now open again after a national shut down
4. Traffic – BCC supportive of 20 is 20. BCC/Police cannot fund or enforce speed but can advise.
5. Community Board ‘Proud of Bucks Awards 2021’ – 3 categories: Adult/young person/community group contribution. Close date 31st December 2021.

**116/21 Neighbourhood Plan:**

* Final endorsement of the Neighbourhood Plan was given.
* Acknowledged and confirmed the content of the Design Code document
* In accordance with the 2012 Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations (Regulation 14), the Draft Neighbourhood Plan is out to formal consultation for a period of eight weeks from December 15th 2021, to February 9th 2022.All documentation will be put on the website by 9am on 15/12/2021. A leaflet to be sent to all households explaining the process.
* Two drop in sessions are arranged for Saturday January 15th, 2022 between 10am and 12 noon in the Memorial Hall and Thursday February 3rd 2022 between 7.30pm and 9.30pm in the Wesley Centre

**117/21 Environment :**

 Highway**:**

**Ongoing: 40131558 White lines at Junction of Schorne Lane & Church Street – Cllr Gomm explained this will form part of the capital programme.**

**Ongoing: 40132835 drain cover broken 71 Quainton Road**

**118/21 Parish Action Plan/Projects:**

1. **Playground** -
* Kompan: Cllr Du Plessus reported: The matting under the swing has been fixed, The ground underneath the roundabout has probably compacted and the matting has started to give – Kompan to be notified, Cllr Mordue to follow up the roundabout safety with Kompan and the zip line needs reporting as it not tighening.
* Quotes from Wild Sage, Lane’s Landscape Contractors and P.R A Randles were discussed, for the paving from the end of the matting path in the playground to the Quainton Road pavement – Wild Sage was approved for £600.00, no VAT included.
* Quote from Lynch Gardening services of £80 for removing leaves from the playground was put on hold until councillors have responded.
1. **Registry of common Land-** Discussed the response from Wellers Law solicitors regarding the registry of the common land along the High Street and the agreement on the common land outside the Pilgrim Pub for the continued use by the pub. The process will protect the land for the pub. Surrey Hill Solicitors did not respond by email. Wellers Law outlined that the PC could apply to land registry but is very specific and requires 12 years evidence of maintenance. If the registration is successful the PC can look to grant the pub a formal license or deed of easement to allow the continued use of the land. The PC is already the legal guardian but cannot grant a legal interest (easement) unless the PC registers the land. Action: Mr Newman to ask advise of a solicitor seeking easement prior to registering the land and present proposal and costs in the January meeting.
2. **Magazine Review** – Resolved: The magazine has had a long successful life but it is felt that a wider audience needs to be reached and the format modernised. It was agreed to use the Community Group Facebook page that already exists which has a base of 300 members and is increasing. Both NM and Granborough community groups can put community news on the Private Community Group facebook, which is a no selling page and so is very specific and informative to the villages. This will reach a larger proportion of the community and all the information can also be placed on the website for parishioners to view. A leaflet will be distributed in January explaining how to join the facebook page and the location of the magazine content on the website. Parishioners without the internet or facebook access will be given the option to request specific pages of information are printed out.
3. **Street Lighting** – Discussed that Focuss and Forde & Mc Hugh have been asked to quote for the January meeting.
4. **Speedwatch** – Resolved: Cllr Mordue, Cllr Symonds and Cllr Martin offered to take speedwatch forward.
5. **Village Hall Fire door** – Agreed to approach the company who installed the fire door in the extension. Clerk to respond in the January meeting.

**119/21 Finance:**

* Resolved: Precept for 2022/23 to be £31,000, a 5% increase from 2021/22.
* Resolved: Lynch Garden Services quote for the 2022/23 hedge cutting was accepted with the exception of Elmers Meadow, that is already cut by another contractor. Other contractors approached were Green Tree Services and Go Callaghan Tree Care Ltd but did not wish to quote.
* Sportsfield Hedge: Agreed to ask AJ North Construction to cut the SF hedge all the way along and over the top – Clerk to action

**Receipts and Payments of Accounts**

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

Clerk November salary £\*\*.\*\*, (incl 8 hours November magazine) no VAT included

Clerk November expenses £90.13, £3.66 VAT included

Tree Solutions £240.00, £40.00 VAT included

BCC dog waste service £547.51, £91.25 VAT included

E.on Electricity (01.11.2021-30.11.2021) £163.58, £7.79 VAT included

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

JR Plumbing & Heating Solutions Ltd £456.00, £76.00 VAT included

Wave water (09.08.2021-08.11.2021) £100.68, no VAT included

E.on Next VH (06.10.2021-31.10.2021) £22.22, £1.06 VAT included

Anne Pedlow deposit refund £50.00, no VAT included

Lexi Grant deposit refund £50.00, no VAT included

Gemma Nicholls deposit refund £50.00, no VAT included

Emma Lynch £200.00 no VAT included

P.R A Randles £113.00, No VAT included

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

Wave water (09.08.2021-08.11.2021) £15.58, no VAT included

Oakpark Alarms Security Services £146.40, £24.40 VAT included

Peter Butler (SF materials) £957.29, £159.55 VAT included

Agripower Ltd £976.03, £162.67 VAT included

E.on Next SF (01.10.2021-31.10.2021) £43.69, £2.08 VAT included

000720 100 club 1st prize £60.00, no VAT included

000721 100 club 2nd prize £40.00, no VAT included

000722 100 club 3rd prize £20.00, no VAT included

DD: E.on Next SF (01.11.2021-30.11.2021) £47.64 including £2.27 VAT

**120/21 Next Parish Council meeting:**

* January 11th at 8pm in the Village Hall

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