

## MARSTOW PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the meeting held on 2 February 2016 at Goodrich Village Hall

**PRESENT** A Drabble (Chairman) S Parker M Wigmore A Williams N Roper

**ATTENDING** K Shilton (Clerk) Ward Councillor E Swinglehurst and 15 residents

**1. OPEN DISCUSSION FOR THE PUBLIC** Not required

**2. APOLOGIES** None

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** S Parker declared an interest in the proposed housing development at Glewstone (reference 8.1).

### **8. PLANNING MATTERS AND APPLICATIONS**

8.1 Proposed housing development at Glewstone. Reference email A Jackson 16 December 2015.

The Chairman read out the email received from the proposed developer and invited comments from the public.

The comments can be summarised as follows.

The proposed site was previously an orchard.

There are few transport links in this area and little infrastructure.

Own transport is essential.

There is a considerable slope on this land and concerns for water drainage.

Increased traffic from such a development may cause safety issues at the nearby cross roads.

The Ward Councillor minded the meeting that Glewstone area was designated for approachment growth / sustainable location RA2 / within the latest Herefordshire Council Development Plan Core Strategy.

Generally the meeting concluded (by show of hands) that they considered the proposed 9 houses was too many but that a lower number was acceptable.

8.2 160025 New House Farm Glewstone proposed removal of conditions / holiday let / to allow use as a residential dwelling class 3.

The Council gave no objections.

### **4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 3 NOVEMBER 2015**

These were agreed and confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

### **5. ACTION POINTS FROM THE MINUTES**

Parish notice board. S Parker reported that a search for an alternative location in the village had not been successful. The meeting agreed that the notice board should therefore remain at its present location.

In the spring the notice board will be revarnished.

### **6. REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR**

E Swinglehurst reported on the latest budget reduction needs by Herefordshire Council for the next financial year and the consequences regarding service levels.

The need for improved traffic flow was described for Hereford to support and develop business and residential growth.

The meeting thanked the Ward Councillor for all the efforts given to have further bollards at Pencraig through working with the Highways Agency.

Concerns were reported and discussed regarding the litter build up in the lay byes on the A40. The Clerk will contact Balfour Beatty to ensure a regular collection schedule. New replacement bins are also required at 2 locations.

## **7. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

The precept application for £7500.00 for the next financial year has been submitted to Herefordshire Council.

The following payments were agreed

Lengthsman work £330.00

Clerk fee £243.00 Travel £24.00 Administration £28.41

## **9. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AND DISTRIBUTED**

The Clerk will attend a Balfour Beatty review meeting in February 2016.

## **10. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**

The following situations were reported.

Grips need to be opened in selected described locations.

Opposite Mill House the designated speed sign is obstructed by overgrown branches.

The Clerk will report these matters to the lengthsman to include in the next maintenance schedule work.

Between Daffaluke Turn to Black Knowl the road surface is in very bad condition and needs resurfacing.

The ditch near to Daffaluke turn is blocked.

At Whitfield Court approximately 100m before the Thorn Cross Roads very deep water is on the road making driving conditions dangerous.

The Clerk will report these matters to Balfour Beatty for inspection and action.

M Wigmore agreed to meet with Balfour Beatty to assist in highlighting these problem situations.

Pencraig. Various situations were discussed related to speed concerns / flashing warning light repairs or replacement / consider extension of 50mph zone.

A Williams was designated the Parish Council representative and authorised to co ordinate on such matters with the various agencies.

The Chairman minded the meeting that since the 50mph limit had been in place safety conditions had greatly improved.

## **11. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA** None submitted

## **NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON 5 APRIL 2016 AT 7.30PM AT GOODRICH VILLAGE HALL**

The meeting started at 7.30pm and ended at 9pm

Signed

Chairman

Date

