## MARSTOW PARISH COUNCIL

#### Minutes of the meeting held on 4 July 2017 at Goodrich Village Hall

#### PRESENT A Drabble (Chairman) S Parker M Wigmore

ATTENDING K Shilton (Clerk) Ward Councillor E Swinglehurst and 32 residents

#### 1. OPEN DISCUSSION FOR THE PUBLIC

#### PLANNING APPLICATION 172076 LAND ADJACENT TO HERRIOT COTTAGE SITE FOR PROPOSED ERECTION OF 9 DWELLINGS CONSTRUCTION OF NEW VEHICULAR ACCESS TURNING AREA AND PRIVATE ROADS. LAYOUT AND CONSTRUCTION OF ASSOCIATED WORKS – OUTLINE APPLICATION

It was explained to the public members attending that this application could not be discussed by the Parish Council or comments formulated at this meeting for the following reason.

Council members could not be quorate (3 Council members required) as from the total of 5 members 2 members have declared that they will not participate in discussion or comments and a further 2 members have had to give apologies.

The Chairman however welcomed any comments from residents if they wished to do so and he would be minded of them when a site visit was made.

In the meantime the Clerk will apply for a deferment of the response deadline in anticipation that a public meeting can be held on 18 July 2017 to discuss this application formally.

Notice of such a meeting will be placed on the Parish Council notice board and on the website.

The main concerns given by residents were as follows.

Traffic and road visibility. The road is narrow and the proposed development would generate further traffic to this area.

The nearby cross road is a problem with poor visibility – again increased traffic flow will further add to this problem area.

Road surface water concerns – surface water occurs on this road and freezes in the winter months. Drainage from this road is poor.

The proposed development is basically in a valley and there are concerns as to water drainage from this land.

There appears to be 1 sewage treatment plant for the proposed development and concerns were given as to where any overspill / soak away water will go.

There is no public transport for Glewstone and subsequently private transport has to be used.

#### 2. APOLOGIES A Williams N Roper

#### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

M Wigmore and S Parker declared that they did not wish to participate in this application 172076 and would be absent from the room when the application was both discussed by residents and comments formulated by the Council.

## 4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 2 MAY 2017

These were agreed and confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

## 5. ACTION POINTS FROM THE MINUTES

Pencraig – traffic and related matters. The Clerk reported that contact had been made with Ross on Wye Police / The Safety Partnership / and Highways England.

The Clerk reported on the outcome of the discussions and the meeting was satisfied that the road / traffic conditions were being monitored within the practical limits of the agencies.

New notice board. This should be available in a few weeks' time.

## 6. REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR

Our Ward Councillor is now the appointed Vice Chairman of Herefordshire Council Scrutiny Committee.

The monthly report will be circulated to all members by the Clerk.

A finance update will follow shortly when all information has been assembled.

E Swinglehurst updated the meeting on the recent activities and issues of Herefordshire Council.

# 7. FINANCE MATTERS

Lengthsman work £180.00 and £602.40 Clerk fee £243.00 Administration £29.79 Travel £6.00

## 8. PLANNING MATTERS AND APPLICATIONS

172076 land adjacent to Herriot Cottage - reference item 1.

171926 The Gatehouse Pencraig proposed slimline windows double glazed units to some selected windows.

The Council members had no objections to this application but considered that the property was a listed building and therefore if so would be considered as such.

# 9. REVISED CODE OF CONDUCT FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS

The meeting resolved to adopt this revised Code of Conduct in line with Herefordshire Council. All Parish Council members have a copy of the revised Code.

## **10. MARSTOW RELATED MATTERS**

The Clerk reviewed the main elements of a recent site meeting arranged with Marstow residents and The Safety Partnership.

The main concern is inappropriate driving (speed) of cars through Marstow lanes.

A further meeting will be arranged with the residents and Balfour Beatty Locality Steward to determine if any safety measures can be introduced.

## 11. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AND DISTRIBUTED

No further comments were made.

## 12. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

There have been some concerns of noise – Pencraig – and the Chairman will investigate the matter.

## 13. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

No new items were submitted. IT IS ANTICIPATED THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON 18 JULY 2017 TO DISCUSS PLANNING APPLICATION 172076 AT 7.30PM AT GOODRICH VILLAGE HALL THE CLERK WILL CONFIRM THIS DATE

The meeting started at 7.30pm and ended at 8.40pm

Signed

Chairman

Date