

## **MARSTOW PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the meeting held on 2 May 2017 at Goodrich Village Hall**

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

**ATTENDING** K Shilton (Clerk) Ward Councillor E Swinglehurst

#### **1. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

This meeting was held but no comments were reported.

#### **2. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

Appointment of Chairman. A Drabble was appointed Chairman being proposed by M Wigmore seconded by S Parker and agreed by all members present.

The Chairman signed the Declaration of Office.

Appointment of Vice Chairman. S Parker was appointed Vice Chairman being proposed by M Wigmore seconded by A Williams and agreed by all members present.

Appointment of Officers.

Lengthsman Technical Liaison M Wigmore

Notice Board S Parker

Trees A Williams

Traffic Related Matters A Williams

Dates of future Parish Council meetings.

The meetings were agreed as 4 July 2017 17 October 2017 5 December 2017 and 6 March 2018

Other meetings will be called when there are urgent matters to attend.

Finance review year ending 31 March 2017.

The report and notes had been circulated to all members prior to this meeting.

The finance report and all related documents had been audited prior to this meeting.

The meeting agreed the report for financial year 2016 / 2017 and the required audit papers signed.

#### **3. ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

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

**5. APOLOGIES** N Roper

**6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** None reported

#### **7. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 7 FEBRUARY 2017**

These were agreed and confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

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

50mph sign Pencraig. The meeting was grateful that the new sign had now been installed.

New notice board. A Drabble will arrange for a new notice board which will be installed in a new agreed location. The Clerk will coordinate the installation with the lengthsman.

## **9. REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR**

The report had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting.

E Swinglehurst had recently attended a police workshop for crime prevention and will attempt to gain further literature and examples.

There was discussion regarding the new car parking charges at Kerne Bridge canoe area.

It was explained this was now an asset from Herefordshire Council to Walford Parish Council who planned to expand and improve the facilities. (Reference the email from the Ward Councillor following on from this discussion).

## **10. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Precept first payment received £4250.00

Contracts for the lengthsman scheme for 2017 / 2018 completed and submitted to Herefordshire Council / Balfour Beatty

Payments

Insurance £195.88

Chairman allowance £50.00

Web site £100.00

Clerk fee £243.00 Travel £26.60 Administration £33.41

## **11. PLANNING MATTERS AND APPLICATIONS**

171254 Marstowfield Whitfield Farm proposed agricultural building. Information only / Herefordshire Council not accepting comments to this application.

171426 Fairfield House Pencraig proposed removal of oak tree. The meeting gave no objections.

171428 Cedar Lodge Pencraig proposed removal of damson trees. The meeting gave no objections.

## **12. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AND DISTRIBUTED**

No further comments were made.

## **13. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Reference was made to the recent traffic accident Pencraig A 40 causing the road to be blocked for over 2 hours. Council members discussed their concerns regarding traffic speed relative to the 50mph speed limit.

The Clerk was requested to contact both the Safety Partnership and Ross on Wye Police highlighting these concerns and requesting that consideration is given to more frequent patrols to help to deter speeding.

The Council also wished to have a second 50mph flashing sign on the south side of the A40 and the Clerk will also request / discuss this matter.

The reported gaps in hedgerows were discussed. The Clerk has reported this matter to planning enforcement and investigations will be made. They have highlighted that land owners will only be approached if there is a breach of planning.

The gap and gated entrance area Pencraig to Glewstone was reported by a Council member to be done to a high professional standard and enabled the entry / exit of farming equipment necessary on the land.

**14. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA** No additional new items reported.

**NEXT MEETING 4 JULY 2017 AT 7.30PM AT GOODRICH VILLAGE HALL**

The meeting started at 7.30pm and ended at 8.30pm

Signed

Chairman

Date