



Marsham Parish Council

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MARSHAM PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 24th APRIL 2023 AT 7:00PM IN MARSHAM PARISH CHURCH

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PRESENT

Mr C Hensby (Chairman), Mrs B Warman, Mr B Parke, Mr D Grapes, Mrs V Allen, Mr P Gladden,

APOLOGIES, , PC Lucas Ward, Dr J Bailey, Cllr S Catchpole

Public Participation: 1

Full Council Meeting

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Noted above.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS** – None.
3. **MINUTES** – Minutes of the meeting held on the 13th March 2023 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a true account of record.
4. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – Queries over the methodology in SAM2 data collection to be escalated to Beat Manager in the first instance.
5. **REPORTS FROM POLICE** – The Council were updated on the low crime occurrences within the village.
6. **REPORTS COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS** – The Council were advised of a focus group being formed with updates to follow next meeting. Little going on during the build up before elections.
7. **MATTERS ARISING** – **a)** The Vice Chairman position remains unfilled c/f until next meeting. **b)** The Council discussed the **planned proposed closure of Mayton Wood** – advised public consultation begins on 15th May 2023. **c)** The Council were updated on progress of on the Commemorative coin for children in the village. **d)** No nominations were put forward for the Royal Norfolk Show awards as advertised by BDC. **e)** It was agreed to renew the annual membership with NALC again for another year.
8. **PLANNING** – Planning Tracker on our website is live and residents can track all applications received. The Council saw no objection to the application **2023/0685** for the retrospective change of use at High Street. The Council were advised on the withdrawal of Simpsons Nursery Application.
9. **SAM2 SPEEDSIGN** – The current location is High Street with the future of the unit to be discussed in May.
10. **ACCOUNTS** - Balance of the community account was confirmed as of 23rd March 2023 £17,077.47, Business Saving Account £2,021.17. The following expenditure was **approved** for payment: -

0108	Clerk Wages March 2023	£200.78
0109	NALC Membership	£193.69
0110	Jo Spaul – Village sign repairs phase 1	£272.52
0111	R Scarff Expenses March 2023	£169.64
0112	HMRC PAYE	£159.20
0113	TT Jones Electrical Ltd -inv12948	£668.34
- 10a **AGAR 2023/24** – It was agreed to appoint J Graves as the new Internal Auditor for the Annual Accounts and submission of AGAR this year.
11. **CORRESPONDENCE-** **a)** The Council were advised that the school were open to suggestions for reducing speed in the locality and all await the impact of the wigwags but didn't have any other suggestions. **b)** Dog fouling on public footpaths have because a nuisance again – Reminder to all residents to clear up after your pets additional BDC signage requested.
12. **MARSHAM VILLAGE HALL** - The Council received an update that the committee of the village hall had received some donated notice boards for the village. Locations to be confirmed subject to BDC.
13. **AMENITIES MATTERS (Peewit Fields / Allotments / Playground)- Peewit Fields-** The Council were advised that the Jubilee Tree plaque to be installed soon. That BDC had rejected suggestions for saplings to be added to BDC owned land on Wathen Way, however a new initiative proposed at Peewit Fields to create a community Orchard has been raised to BDC as an alternative. Also following up two trees to be replaced at Le Neve Road by BDC. The Council were advised that the **Playground** is suffering from a lot of litter again including broken toys. Clarion to be advised. The Clerk to arrange for new bark to be delivered on site. The Clerk to also regain momentum about renewing the play equipment. **Village sign restoration** works agreed to continue based on the recommendations by the artist undertaking the work. **Croft Lane Hedge** Parish Council to arrange cut of hedge to enable public use once nesting season over.

14. The Council discussed the ongoing matters previously raised and were advised of concerns around subsidence on Allison Street, A post down by the Plough Inn on A140 and to chase the installation date of the wig wags that are to be installed.
15. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS – a)** Abandoned car to be reported. Planning query on Allison Street.
16. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – The next meeting will be held Monday 15th May 2023, 7pm at the Church, in lieu of utilising the Village Hall. Procedures agreed for obtaining key and rules discussed around conduct that should any meeting get out of hand it is to be stopped immediately.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.20

Signed

Date