

**MARSHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON  
MONDAY 10 APRIL 2017 at 7.30pm at MARSHAM VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT**

Mr C Hensby - Chairman

Mrs V Allen  
Mrs L Willcocks  
Mr B Parke

Mr D Grapes  
Dr John Bailey

**Also present:**

POLICE                None  
PUBLIC/PRESS      1 member of public  
CLERK:                Nicola LeDain  
DISTRICT / COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES: Cllr D Harrison

**1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

1.1 Apologies were received and accepted from Mrs B Warman.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

2.1 There were no interests declared.

**3. MINUTES**

3.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 13 March 2017 were regarded as an accurate record and signed by the Chair.

**4. POLICE MATTERS**

4.1 It was reported that there would be a SNAP meeting held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 7pm at the Jubilee Family Centre in Aylsham and Parish Councillors would attend.

**5. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT / COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

5.1 Cllr David Harrison reported that purdah was now in situ due to the upcoming County Council elections.

5.2 It was reported that Broadland District Council would be purchasing council houses for those that are homeless for temporary accommodation of up to 1 year.

**6. ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC TO SPEAK**

6.1 A resident asked if we had received any information regarding the earmarked sites for development in Marsham from Broadland District Council. It was confirmed that Broadland District Council had replied to the clerk's request for information and it appeared that there was not currently any earmarked sites. However, there would be ongoing consultation.

**7. COMPOST SITE – WOOD FARM & ENVIRONMENT AGENCY**

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- 7.1 This was a single report, made on Friday afternoon on the 31st March 2017. The Environment Agency were unable to attend at the time and were still in the process of investigating what may have caused the odour.

### 8. VILLAGE HALL

- 8.1 The next meeting of the Village Hall Committee would be taking place on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April.

### 9. PLANNING MATTERS

- 9.1 There had been no planning matters received.

### 10. FINANCE

- 10.1 The balances of the accounts were noted as follows;  
Community account: £9725.89  
Business money account: £2007.74
- 10.2 Payments agreed as follows;  
Nicola Ledain: salary £127.72 (paid by standing order), expenses of £13.60 (Chq No 155)  
HMRC: £31.80 (Chq No 154)  
Grant Nurden: £18.00 (Chq No 153)  
Norfolk Association of Local Council: £154.18 (Chq No 158)  
Bearing Supplies: £36.16 (Chq No 156)

### 11. AMENITIES MATTERS

- 11.1 There were no matters discussed.

### 12. ALLOTMENTS

- 12.1 The invoices had been sent for the year ahead.

### 13. HIGHWAYS MATTERS

- 13.1 The cost for the electricity for the month of April was £92.68.
- 13.2 The Clerk had distributed details to Councillors detailing the success of the Parish Partnership bid submitted for a SAM2 speed sign for the village. The clerk had received paperwork which needed completing which would be filled in in conjunction with the Chairman. There had been no timescales detailed but Councillors would be informed when this was known.

### 14. THATCHED SHELTER

- 14.1 Work was due to start on rethatching the shelter on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April. Councillors discussed if there would be VAT added to the bill and also the possibility of putting netting underneath the thatching to prevent the thatch being pulled out underneath.

### 15. PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

- 15.1 Concern was expressed at the dogs that had been let off leads which were not then kept under control and the amount of dog mess and litter. Councillors requested that a piece was put in the newsletter relating to this. Cllr Willcocks reported that she was

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now the litter warden for the village and a short discussion ensued about the fly tipping around the village.

### 16. COMMUNICATION

- 16.1 A short discussion was held about the ways to communicate with the village. It was thought that most people use the magazine to keep up to date with whats going on and it was suggested to continue using that as the main communication supplemented by the village website.

### 17. CORRESPONDENCE

- 17.1 A clerk had received a letter from a charity asking for donations
- 17.2 The clerk had received an email from a resident asking for the verges near her house to be cut. The councillors had previously attempted to cut these verges but it was too dangerous to continue due to it being next to the main road. The clerk would reply to the resident.
- 17.3 Mrs Noreen Clarke had expressed her gratitude to the Council for their donation in memory of her late husband Alan Clarke.

### 18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 18.1 It was reported that there was a light shining over the play area which caused nuisance to other residents. Mr Hensby would contact Wherry Housing.
- 18.2 There had been temporary signs placed on the A140 regarding two new businesses on the industrial estate in Marsham. It was suggested that highways should put a permanent sign on the road to direct customers to the industrial estate as more business were occupying premises.
- 18.3 There was a short discussion about the unsightly use of weedkiller on the church graveyard.
- 18.4 Street light number 12 was reported to be not working outside 19 Leneve Road.
- 18.5 Councillors asked the clerk chase the insurance claim.

### 19. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

- 19.1 The Annual Parish meeting will start at 7pm.

### 20. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 20.1 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017

**Meeting ended at 9.15pm**