

Marhamchurch Parish Council

Tuesday 17th January 2023

The meeting of Marhamchurch Parish Council was held on above date at 7:30pm, in Marhamchurch Sunday School Rooms.

Councillors Present:

Chairman Cllr T Perry, Vice-Chair Cllr Edwards, Cllr T O'Sullivan, Cllr Proudfoot, Cllr Waterhouse, Cllr Turney, Cllr Butler.

Also in attendance: Clerk Julie Gray.

2 members of the public were present for the meeting.

Cllr Perry opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Record and Approve Apologies.

01.23/01:

Cllr Kerr sent their apologies due to being away.

Cllr Bray sent their apologies due to family commitments.

Cllr Nield sent their apologies due to work.

It was resolved to approve the apologies. Proposed Cllr Waterhouse. Seconded Cllr Turney. Unanimous

Confirm the Minutes of the previous Meeting.

01.23/02:

It was resolved to approve the minutes and ratify all decisions made at the meeting held on Tuesday 22nd November 2022. Proposed Cllr Turney. Seconded Cllr Waterhouse. Unanimous. The Chair, Cllr T Perry, signed them as a correct record

Declarations.

01.23/03:

- (i) Cllr Perry, Cllr Butler & Cllr Turney declared the longstanding interest in Agenda item 12: Cemetery.
- (ii) Cllr Perry declared a longstanding interest in Agenda item 9b: Playpark.
- (iii) Cllr O'Sullivan declared an interest in planning application PA22/10978.

Dispensations.

01.23/04:

- a) To note approved dispensations relevant to items on the agenda.
 - (i) Dispensation was noted for Cllr Perry, Cllr Turney & Cllr Turney re Agenda item 12: Cemetery.
 - (ii) Dispensations were noted for Cllr Perry re Agenda Item 9b: Playpark.
- b) There were no other dispensation requests received.

Matters Arising.

01.23/05:

- (i) Thanks were received from the Pre-School and a letter of thanks was received from CAB re

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the grants that were awarded.

Public Open Session. (3 min reminder per item per person)

01.23/06:

No member of the public chose to speak.

Correspondence.

01.23/07: – all correspondence circulated via email.

- (i) Devolution to Cornwall.
- (ii) Devon Admissions Consultation 2024-25.
- (iii) Co-op Support for Marhamchurch Pre-School.
- (iv) CALC Safeguarding Follow Up.
- (v) Cornwall Council Reject Mayor Referendum Debate.
- (vi) Town & Parish Council Briefing: Proposed Devolution Update.
- (vii) FPN Training for TPCs.
- (viii) Cornwall Deal. Update.
- (ix) Town & Parish Council Newsletter.
- (x) Fox Hunting x 2.
- (xi) NALC Legal Update.
- (xii) Community Housing Conversations.
- (xiii) Proposed Deal for Cornwall.
- (xiv) Police and Crime Commissioner Survey.
- (xv) CALC Training Bulletin.
- (xvi) Town & Parish Council Bulletin.
- (xvii) Council Tax Referendum Principles.
- (xviii) Consultation: Bude CNP TRO.
- (xix) Airband Community Internet Notification.
- (xx) Let Cornwall Decide: Mayor's Consultation.
- (xxi) Invitation to CALC AGM.
- (xxii) CareNow Volunteers,
- (xxiii) Bude CNP Highways Schemes.

Planning.

01.23/08:

a) Decision Notices/Updates:

- (i) PA22/02484 | Additional 24 holiday dwellings and extension to swimming pool building to provide woodchip biomass boiler room without compliance with condition 2 of decision notice PA19/04184 dated 17/02/2020 | Whalesborough Farm Marhamchurch Bude Cornwall EX23 OJD.
APPROVED.
- (ii) PA22/09116 | Renovate existing dwelling and construct a two-storey rear extension to provide additional bedrooms upstairs and living accommodation on the ground floor, including a suite of rooms to provide independent living for an elderly relative. Replacement garage and separate garden machinery/log store. | Driftwood Hilton Road Marhamchurch Bude Cornwall EX23 OHE.
APPROVED with conditions. The extension shall be used solely as additional accommodation for the occupants. At no time shall it be separated/partitioned off nor used, sold or let as a

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separate residential unit of accommodation. The detached garage shall be used for the storage of private vehicles and purposes incidental to the enjoyment of the dwelling house known as Driftwood.

- (iii) PA22/08896 | Self-contained annexe to first floor of existing garage for use in connection with Cyder Cottage, together with associated works (retrospective). | Cyder Cottage Hilton Road Marhamchurch Bude Cornwall EX23 0HE.

APPROVED with conditions. The first-floor annexe shall only be occupied by members of the family, or non-paying guests, of the occupiers and shall not be used, sold or let at any time as a separate residential unit. There is a CIL liability.

b) Planning Applications/Appeals:

Any late planning applications received will be discussed but not decided under this section.

****Cllr O'Sullivan left the building****

- (i) PA22/10978 | Reserved Matters application following Outline approval PA21/00653 dated 16th May 2022 for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale | Beeston Farm Marhamchurch Bude EX23 0ET.

Marhamchurch Parish Council has no objection to this application but recommends consideration of the Bude Green Five to lessen the impact on the environment. Marhamchurch Parish Council also recommend the property has an agricultural occupancy / agricultural tie condition placed upon it.

Proposed Cllr Proudfoot. Seconded Cllr Turney. ~~6 in favour. 1 abstained due to having an interest.~~ Unanimous.

****Cllr O'Sullivan returned to the meeting****

To receive oral or written reports and authorise any action.

01.23/09:

a) Chairman.

Cllr Perry reported that the new speed signs are up at Thorn Cross and he notes that the traffic has slowed. The 30mph sign at Hobbacott Lane and the Give Way sign at the top of Howard Lane at Crisney Cross are missing. The sign for Hilton Road was broken and is under manufacture and a replacement is needed for Underlane, that the builders lost.

The Foundry Footbridge is now completed and is much better.

There is a new gate post that has been installed at Titson Bridge therefore Cllr Perry has attached the footpath signs there and at Beeston Lane, where a new gate was installed.

The Shared Prosperity Fund application needs to be in at the end of the month therefore a working party is needed to get the application in.

Cllr Perry believes the energy crisis should be part of the Emergency Plan.

Cllr Perry has spoken to Mr P Green, who has told him that the Foodbank is very busy. Cllr Butler mentioned that the Village Shop collects donations for the Foodbank. We shall announce this on the Marhamchurch Parish Council website.

b) Playpark

There is nothing to report.

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c) The Clerk.

The new Memorial Policy and application form has been placed on the website.

The Precept has been submitted.

There has been communication from North Kernow Community Land Trust Limited, which is a newly-formed charity formed to increase the supply of affordable rented housing in the northernmost parishes of Cornwall, requesting to attend a Parish Council meeting to outline their aims and begin an ongoing engagement with the Councils. Councillors were happy for them to attend the next meeting. The Clerk will contact them to arrange this.

Mrs Hawkins, the permanent Clerk, will return in September.

Plusnet is ending their commercial broadband and sending accounts to BT.

Coronation.

01.23/10:

The Coronation is on 6/5 but it was agreed to arrange something for the Bank Holiday Monday. Cllr Waterhouse, Cllr Butler and Cllr Proudfoot will get together to consider ideas and bring this to the next meeting.

Thorne Cross Junction A39.

01.23/11:

This was dealt with in the Chairman's report.

Cemetery.

01.23/12:

a) Plot Request.

There was a single plot request from a deceased parishioner's family - Marshall.

This was authorised by a majority by email due to the burial being tomorrow.

It was proposed by Cllr O'Sullivan to ratify the request. Seconded Cllr Proudfoot. 4 in favour. 3 abstained due to having an interest in the cemetery.

b) Memorials.

(i) Memorial – Bluett.

There is an existing memorial that states, 'Doris May Bluett 2014' and the family wish to add, 'Also Horace William Bluett. Died 31/8/2021 aged 97. Dearly loved parents, grandparents and great grandparents reunited'.

Proposed by Cllr Waterhouse. Seconded Cllr Proudfoot. 4 in favour. 3 abstained due to having an interest in the cemetery.

(ii) Memorial plaque – Luke.

The application was circulated to the Councillors. The Clerk has priced up the memorial plaque and the cost is approximately £168. The Clerk has relayed this to the applicant, who is satisfied with this. The wording is 31 words and the policy is 30 words. The Council see no reason to amend the policy to extend the words but will decide on a case-by-case basis if the words are exceeded.

It was proposed to authorise the application by Cllr Waterhouse. Seconded Cllr Proudfoot. 4 in favour. 3 abstained due to having an interest in the cemetery.

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Shared Prosperity Fund.

01.23/13:

Cllr Waterhouse has not submitted an expression of interest re water to the allotments at this time. Cllr Perry will meet with Cllr Turney and Cllr Waterhouse to complete the application form re Hobbacott Rise.

Parish Grant Applications.

01.23/14:

Marhamchurch Parish Council have received one application from The Revel Trust. It was agreed to grant £140 to the Revel Trust. Proposed Cllr Waterhouse. Seconded Cllr Perry. Unanimous.

Airband Community Internet.

01.23/15:

There was notification for a proposed installation under telecommunications code system operators of eight 10.5 metre wooden poles. The Council received a copy of the 28-day notice letter along with a plan indicating the pole along the route. The Company are happy to be contacted should we require any further information. The Councillors see no need for further information.

Neighbourhood Plan.

01.23/16:

Cllr Proudfoot thanked Cllr Edwards for his assistance. The Plan was submitted to Cornwall Council and they have returned it with recommendations after consultation with statutory bodies. The Consultant will amend the Plan to include Cornwall Council's recommendations and will provide the monitoring framework and will advise on the consultation. At the end of next week, the 6-week consultation period will be arranged with the amended Draft Plan. The Draft Plan will be on the Neighbourhood Plan website and a link to it from the Marhamchurch Parish Council website will be published.

Emergency Plan.

01.23/17:

This is deferred until the next meeting.

Allotments.

01.23/18:

No update at this time.

Landmark Tree Planting.

01.23/19:

A list of trees was circulated to the Councillors.

It was proposed that Marhamchurch Parish Council apply for the Darley Oak. The Darley Oak is estimated to be Cornwall's oldest oak and there are 20 young trees grown from its acorns to distribute. In the event there are none left it was proposed that the 2nd choice is a Hornbeam (*Carpinus betulus*).

Proposed Cllr Edwards. Seconded Cllr Butler. Unanimous.

Let Cornwall Decide.

01.23/20:

Let Cornwall Decide have requested that Marhamchurch Parish Council formally submit a response with our motion to the Consultation.

This was deferred.

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Quarterly Finance Check.

01.23/21:

Completed by Cllr Edwards. No concerns. Noted by Cllrs.

Quarterly Budget Report.

01.23/22:

Circulated to Cllrs and noted.

Finance & Legislation.

01.23/23:

- a) Ratification of payments that were authorised by a majority via email in November totalling £1,975.21 as per November schedule. It was resolved to ratify the payments.
Proposed Cllr O’Sullivan. Seconded Cllr Edwards. Unanimous.
- b) Approval of payments totalling £3130.75 as per December schedule. It was resolved to approve payments.
Proposed Cllr O’Sullivan. Seconded Cllr Edwards Unanimous
- c) To note Income & Bank Balances as per the schedule.
- d) To note Bank reconciliations.

Parish Matters - Agree action and authorise associated expenditure.

01.23/24:

Cllr O’Sullivan suggested budgeting for music lessons for a student to learn the Bugle and this could then be played at Council events. Cllr Butler thinks this may be being taught already and will consult with Ms Bluett. It was suggested if payment is required an application to the Fund could be made as this has not been budgeted for.

Cllr Edwards could not find a buyer for the broken projector so has taken this to the recycling depo.

It was proposed that a £50 deposit be required for any organisations that wish to use the new projector.

Proposed Cllr Proudfoot. Seconded Cllr Butler. Unanimous.

Urgent Matters raised with the Chairman since the Agenda was published.

01.23/25:

None.

Date of next meeting and note items from Councillors for the Agenda.

01.23/26:

21st February 2023

Meeting closed at 8.58 pm

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) Act 1960 S1(2) & S1(6)

During the meeting it may arise that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential or special nature of the business to be transacted and the press and public will be instructed to withdraw.

When this arises, the Chair will recommend to consider passing the following resolution: “to resolve that in view of the confidential or special nature of the business to be discussed, the public are excluded and instructed to withdraw.”

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