

MARLINGFORD & COLTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Marlingford Village Hall 11th January 2022 at 7pm

Paul Hammerton PH
 Steve Clark SC
 John Morse JM
 David Woods DW
 Liz Plater LP

Maria Hutson MH Parish Clerk

Margaret Dewsbury MD District and County Councillor

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| 1. | To receive any apologies. | |
| | All in attendance | |
| 2. | To receive any declaration(s) of interests of items on this agenda not recorded elsewhere. | |
| | John Morse – Item 6d, Chair of Trustees for the CAB in Diss and Thetford. | |
| 3. | To accept and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 14 th December 2021 | |
| | DW proposed JM seconded all in agreement | |
| 4. | Items raised by members of the public present | |
| | None | |
| 5. | Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting | |
| | PH has collected SAM2 from Julian and has the keys for CA for the Marlingford noticeboard. | |
| 6. | Any time limited correspondence a) Public Consultation on Transport for Norwich Strategy b) GNLP Examination Hearing c) Maley’s Solar Farm – Public Event d) Citizen’s Advice – request for support e) Valentine’s 10k, 6 th February f) Police Budget Consultation | |
| | a) For information b) Starts on 1 st February, for information. JM will try and attend. c) PH attended most recent event. Was told that it will improve the biodiversity in the area and has been since received information regarding. It should not be visible from Colton. There should be minimal disruption when the cabling is put in. Planning likely to go in imminently. d) Include information in the next Grapevine on services of CAB and South Norfolk Council Help Hub. e) For information. MH to reply and ask for confirmation that residents will be informed early. Also pass on details for Grapevine so it can be included as standalone article if space f) For information | MH – Grapevine MH email Norfolk Gazelles and Grapevine |
| 7. | Planning | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None at time of publication | |
| 8. | <p>Financial matters</p> <p>a) Payments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HMRC £56.20 Clerk's salary and expenses - £237.30 CPRE contribution - £200 <p>b) Receipts</p> <p>c) Financial summary</p> | |
| | SC proposed payments, JM seconded, all in agreement. | PH to authorise |
| 9. | Motion to confirm delegation to Clerk in absence of meetings due to COVID | |
| | <p>Following statement was distributed and read out;</p> <p><i>A Council has the power to delegate decisions to the Clerk (Local Government Act 1972 s101).</i></p> <p><i>In response to the Covid-19 outbreak in the UK and in the event that it is not possible to convene a meeting of the Council in a reasonable time, the Clerk shall have delegated authority to make decisions on behalf of the council where such decisions cannot reasonably be deferred and must be made in order to comply with a commercial or statutory deadline. This will be carried out where possible by consultation with members by electronic means or telephone. The Clerk will further consult with the Chairman for guidance as necessary.</i></p> <p><i>The delegation does not extend to matters expressly reserved to the council in legislation or in its Standing Orders or Financial Regulations. Any decisions made under this delegation must be recorded in writing and must be published in accordance with the relevant regulations. This delegated authority ceases upon the first meeting of the Council after the Council were unable to meet.</i></p> <p>PH proposed motion. JM seconded all in agreement</p> | |
| 10. | Adoption of General Power of Competence | |
| | <p>MH has now successfully completed CiLCA and two thirds of Councillors have been elected. Under the Localism Act 2011 the Parish Council can now adopt the General Power of Competence.</p> <p>PM proposed to adopt the General Power of Competence, SC seconded and all in agreement</p> | |
| 11. | Discussion of development in Easton and possible flooding risk in Marlingford | |
| | <p>PH has been in discussion with Peter Millikan, Easton Councillor. There is concern that the new development will put increased pressure on the drainage in Marlingford which is already inadequate. The pipe is small and often blocked.</p> | <p>MH to contact flood officer to flag up issues with them.</p> <p>MH to email South Norfolk planning confirming PC's concern</p> |
| 12. | Highways - update on current issues | |

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| | A47/western Link & A47 dualling – LP updated on recent meetings. Still moving forward, testing is ongoing. Email received from Highway ranger to confirm that hedge cutting will be undertaken soon as well as clearing of gullies in Colton on Marlingford Road. Potholes have been repaired on Barford Road today. | |
| 13. | Honingham Thorpe Development – update on consultation | |
| | MH has contacted them for a summary of the consultation. This request has been passed onto the team present and awaiting a response. | |
| 14. | Discussion on developing a Neighbourhood Plan | |
| | The previous Neighbourhood Plan had been circulated. MH explained she had been in contact with SNC and there is a lot of guidance and support with putting together a plan. It was decided that due to COVID to wait and promote this further at the General Meeting in April and gauge the interest of residents. | MH |
| 15. | Discussion on articles and Councillor information for February Grapevine | |
| | Biographies for PH and JM to be included in next Grapevine submission. Remaining Cllrs to be included over next 1 or 2 editions. | |
| 16. | Norfolk Lieutenancy Covid Plaque handover | |
| | 2 plaques received and will be displayed at Colton and Marlingford Village Hall. | Plaques to be passed on to village halls. |
| 17. | Any other urgent business to be noted | |
| | PH – not heard from Mr Scales. Letter was sent mid-December. PH to again try and visit him although possibly away at the moment. Email from Police regarding Holocaust memorial day, 27 th January – no known events planned, MH to email back MH taking annual leave next week. PH and JM to be on out of office. | PH to visit. MH send email |
| 18. | To invite submissions for any items for inclusion on the next agenda | |
| | Payments of contributions - Grapevine and PCCs Appointment of internal auditor Development in Easton Honingham Thorpe Development | |
| 19. | To confirm that the next Parish Council Meeting to be held on 8 th February, Colton Village Hall, 7pm | |
| 20. | Meeting closed at 20:45 | |