

**Marlon Parish Council**  
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Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at  
7.30 Tuesday 25 July 2022 at the School.

1. Attendance;
  - a. J Ryland (JR), Lucy Nixon (LN), Sue Webborn (SW), Cllr Lesley Smetham (LS), Barrie Nolan (BN), David McGowan (DM)
  - b. Andrew Simpson (Clerk) (AS).
  - c. Apologies; Sue Platt (SP).
2. Minutes of previous meeting;
  - a. The draft minutes as circulated and previously corrected were approved for publication as the final minutes.
3. Matters Arising;
  - a. A discussion took place about possible candidates for the spare position as a Councillor.
  - b. LS being required to attend another meeting, she provided an update on current issues:
    - i. Thomas Moody is the new Head of Traffic at CE.
    - ii. Ukraine Help; Paul Nixon is the lead contact for the Cogleton area and CE have a lead contact, Dan Coyne who can provide other information.
    - iii. United Utilities (UU) are looking at a large investment for the water infrastructure (In and Out) and LS asked that she be informed if we knew of anyone who needed a guarantee water supply.
    - iv. LS was advised that the supply situation along the length of School Lane and beyond was still very prone to leaks and consequent disruption for repairs; can we highlight this to UU.
    - v. Concern was expressed that the 'Road Closed' signs were causing a nuisance to those less familiar with the area when they were not removed in a timely fashion.
    - vi. LS reminded all that the new Septic Tank discharge regulations were now in force. A search on the internet for 'New Septic tank regulations' will bring up multiple helpful hits.
    - vii. LS advised that ANSA, who collect our waste, were short of staff which was sometimes reflected in the service reliability. LN asked if we can find a way to update residents on separation for the grey bin collection. A link to the CE site advising what should go in the Grey bin is here: [What waste goes where \(cheshireeast.gov.uk\)](https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/what-waste-goes-where).
    - viii. Barlows Update; Can AS supply LS with the relevant planning reference: 15/2443M (May 2015)
4. Footpaths

- a. The footpath from Bunce Lane through to the Church was noted as now being much improved. There is a problem in this path with spoil having been tipped and the Environment dept at CE have been informed.
- 5. PCSO Report;
  - a. The incident report was noted.
- 6. Planning:
  - a. Marton Meadows Golf Club;
    - i. 21/6443M extension proposals. A meeting took place but the relationship was difficult. The PC attending expressed concern that they had tried to offer a chance to have an open discussion but this was not the outcome. The note following this meeting was forwarded to the planning dept.
    - ii. 21/3874 Conversion of barns to Hotel has been approved under permitted development rights.
    - iii. 21/3873M Extension to Club House; Approved
    - iv. 21/5311M Two new houses; awaiting approval.
    - v. 21/4440M Driving Range; approved subject to conditions. PC suggested the issue of stray balls from the range should be monitored by residents and a system for reporting established if required.
  - b. 21/6404M Messuage Farm Glamping pods; not decided.
  - c. 21/3528M Brickyard farm; approved and appeal withdrawn.
  - d. 21/2017M Church Yard Farm barn; not decided
  - e. 21/4824M Cherry barrow farm garage extension; not decided.
  - f. 22/0403M Mere Farm Barn small extension; approved.
  - g. 22/0391M Mere House small extension; approved.
  - h. 21/6471M Greenacres solar array; approved.
  - i. 15/2443M Barlows landscaping conditions; not resolved.
    - i. Barlows caravan storage application; no indication of progress.
  - j. Cherry Barrow Farm Hedgerows; damage appears to have been rectified.
- 7. Environmental Plan;
  - a. John Percival has planted and pruned trees in locality.
  - b. Re-wilding of green (A34) is progressing but may need more time
  - c. Discussion about wilding more areas along A34 and Cocksmiss lane; Costing required.
- 8. School Liaison;
  - a. Members of the village are helping out in the kitchens. JR is helping out with reading classes.
  - b. Footprints Nursery, no current updates.
  - c. School has been asked if it would contribute to the flowers as in the past; awaiting authorisation.
- 9. Welcome Pack;
  - a. No updates.
- 10. Village Maintenance;
  - a. York Stone is still unavailable.
  - b. Council thanked to BN for the planting plan in the troughs.

- c. Litter pick; LN will suggest a date as in the past.
- d. JJR will organise for the furniture to be repainted in September; volunteers welcome.
- e. JR has tidied up the area of shrubs but paving being unavailable or expensive need to find alternative funding; defer to next meeting.
- f. Village signs; all complete apart from N A34, which was affected by a broken drain and sink hole. Andy Simpson (CE Highways) has agreed it can be located away from this area without affecting this repair (still not scheduled) DM and BN will arrange a work party; strong arms required. Thanks to BM for his efforts.

11. Highways;

- a. Has the grit box been reported? SP. JR has a replacement available if required.
- b. Peter Davis has completed weedkilling; bill submitted (see finance).

12. Website; nothing to report.

13. Clerk:

- a. Cheques approved as per submitted list.
- b. Ukraine donation confirmed by Siddington Church.
- c. AS to complete insurance declaration

14. Correspondence and Chair:

- a. A resident, R Booth on Cocksmiss Lane reported that the transmitter was not solution. LS will try and find alternative contacts.
- b. JR attended a meeting of the MIA forum and the PCSO forum; speeding trials may take place in 2023.

15. Other matters;

- a. There have been no responses to the Clerk's position; AS will now canvas other PC's.
- b. The Parish Magazine has no section on MPC matters. AS to ask for the clerk to be included on the mailing list.

16. Meeting dates;

- a. Tuesday 13th September 2022
- b. Tuesday 29th November 2022
- c. Tuesday 7th February 2023