

MARWOOD PARISH COUNCIL
Report of the COUNCIL MEETING 2 March 2017
Marwood Methodist Church Hall, Guineaford

Before the Parish Council Meeting, members of the public were invited to discuss and comment on the Outline Planning Application for 750 dwellings at land between A361 and B3230, South of Ilfracombe.

Councillors expressed their disappointment that no members of the public attended

The Parish Council Meeting started at 19.30

Members Present: Cllrs. C Latham, R Berry, D Chugg, Mrs S Darling, S Button, C Spear, C Wallis

Apologies: Cllrs. A Skentelbery, T Bigge,

In Attendance: Cllr F Tucker. M J Measures (Clerk to the Council)

One member of the public.

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests. Cllr Mrs Darling, Minute 4718

Chairman's Discretion. None

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 2 February 2017

The Minutes were agreed and signed as a true record

Planning Matters

Members agreed to move this item forward

56675 – *Outline application for 750 dwellings together with mixed use centre at land between A361 and B 3230, South of Ilfracombe. The parish was consulted as an Adjoining Parish.*

This matter was discussed by Members for half an hour before the Council Meeting.

It is a new Outline Application as the first developer withdrew. The Clerk read the original response from the Parish Council and following further discussion, Members agreed that a similar response should be sent to NDC. This highlighted the inevitable increase in traffic through Guineaford/Prixford/ Muddiford/Milltown. *A copy of the full response is attached to the main Minutes.*

62395 – *Outline application for erection of dwelling at Green Fuels 4U Ltd. Little Silver Quarry*
The application was recommended for approval but was defeated by 5 votes to 2

Recommend : Refusal

62653 – *Prior Approval for change of use of agricultural building to dwelling house (class QA&B) at Whiddon Farm. (Note: unlike planning applications the Parish Council is not required to make a recommendation but may comment.*

Noted

62363 – *Listed building consent in respect of repairs to slate roof, replace 2 old velux windows and install 2 further velux windows to West Wing Lee House Marwood.*

Recommend : Approval but with heritage type velux windows

Cllr Mrs Darling had declared a prejudicial interest and did not speak or vote on this matter and left the meeting.

Highways & Transport

Members agreed to move this item forward.

Cllr Sue Button said she has been contacted by members of the public regarding the amount of excess mud on the roads particularly through Guineaford and Kinsheanton. There was an exchange of views and it was agreed that it is not physically possible to clear the roads of all the mud and it a duty of care for both land owners and drivers. The problem exists more at certain times of the year when farmers move livestock and at autumn and winter field operations.

Cllr Chugg and the member of the public left the meeting at 19.52

Reports from County and District Councillors

Cllr Tucker reported on the "Recycle More" policy. He said the 5 affordable dwellings in Prieford will be ready by the end of May and the two social dwellings are over-subscribed

Police Report

No report

Correspondence

Correspondence has been sent to Councillors via e-mail.

Finance

Invoices passed for payment: (Admin/Accomm.(Feb/Mar)) £81.63 (*includes purchase of new computer keyboard*); Marwood Methodist Church £300.00 (*Hall Hire*); St Michael and All Angels Church £250.00 and Marwood Methodist Church £250. (*both for cemetery upkeep*); (*Note: these are half-year grants form NDC*); C F Wallis £225.00; North Devon Council £569.72 (*Salary Jan-Mar, Admin Fee, VAT*). The Clerk reported the balance at 2 March as £6188.53 (*includes £700.00 Transparency Fund*).

Addition Signatories. It was agreed that Cllr Sue Button act as a signatory.

TAP Fund. The Clerk reported that £66.30 is still available in the TAP Fund and he has applied to NDC for its use by the Council.

Provision of a Defibrillator

The Clerk informed Members that BT has confirmed the transfer and decommissioning of the payphone kiosk and that funds are being transferred to the Parish Council so that the defibrillator maybe ordered.

Reports from Councillors

Parish Footpaths Cllr Wallis said Bridleway 28 will be closed for at least six months and that work on other footpaths/bridleways will be carried out in the next month

Highways. See Minute 4719

Chairman's Discretion.

None

The meeting closed at 20.40
M J Measures