Marwood Matters
JULY/AUGUST 2015

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MARWOOD HILL GARDEN
Wednesday 8th July, 2015 at 6.30pm (Gardens open 5.30pm)
Folksy Theatre presents
'The Wind In The Willows'.
"Beyond the Wild Wood comes the wild world!"
A fun filled, open-air, musical, family adaptation of 'The
Wind In The Willows'.
Wednesday 29 July 2015 at 6.30pm (Gardens open 5.30pm)
Folksy Theatre presents 'Hamlet' at 6.30pm
Hamlet in the Summer???
That's right!
In true Folksy style - Hamlet as you've never seen it before.
Garden Tea Room open 5.30pm and during interval
Bring a picnic. (bookings 01271 342528)
Tickets on sale from www.folksytheatre.co.uk or The
Garden Tea Room

St. Michael & All Angels Church, Marwood are pleased to
announce and welcome you to their

MARWOOD CHURCH HOLIDAY CLUB
Marwood Church will be holding our Summer Holiday
Club in the Church Hall again this summer
Monday 10th – Friday 14th August
9.45am – 12.30pm each day
For children aged 4-11 years old
The Heyes family will be joining us again this year. The
theme will be, “Narnia.. the untold story !”
Ring Pauline 343303 for more information
HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

MARWOOD CHURCH TEAS JUNE 2015
Cream Teas will be served in Marwood Church Hall, 2-5pm
Sunday 12th July  Sunday 26th July
Sunday 9th August  Sunday 30th August
Bank Holiday Monday 31st August
For full list of future dates please look on MM website.

Marwood Church Festival
A huge thank you to all who helped with and supported our
event on Saturday. It was a great success and your comments have been very positive. The
stalls, games, storyteller and competitions kept
everyone busy on this sunny afternoon. The school
dance troupe, led by Emma, looked great in their
delicate mauve costumes and danced so beautifully
to the assembled families and friends. Later the fancy
dress entrants paraded around the churchyard and at
4pm all eyes were on the church tower as the teddies
parachuted down, some landing in the garden next
door, others getting stuck on the roof!
Well done to everyone who took part.

Marwood Community Hall Update July 2015
It was fantastic that so many of you took the time to come
to our Opening Event, opened by Laurence Young, the
Chairman of the Fullabrook CIC. It really was a great
turnout and there was a real community atmosphere, an
amazing beginning for the Hall. Many thanks to all those
who helped organise the afternoon and who showed their
wares. We had lots of feedback forms completed and we
plan to have these analysed in time to discuss at our
AGM and then publish on the Community Hall page on
the Marwood Matters website.

I am very pleased to be able to report that we have
received a £2,000 grant from The Foyle Foundation
towards fit out and equipment. This an independent grant
making trust with links to the Foyles bookshop in Charing
Cross Road in London. We intend to use this grant to
help us buy chairs for the hall.

Don't forget the AGM on Tuesday 21st July at
7:00pm, being held in the hall – no more cream teas
but there will be biscuits!! Please do consider
becoming a trustee and joining our project team and
we continue to look for a secretary. Please send
expressions of interest to petesilveston@btinternet.com
Pete Silveston, Secretary & Treasurer, Marwood Community Hall.

Marwood Ladies - For more information please contact Margaret Pover on 01271 344433. The next meeting will be held on Thursday 2nd July.

Join us for a BARN DANCE and BARBEQUE at NEW
BARN FARM SHIRWELL in aid of Shirwell Village Hall
SATURDAY 1st AUGUST 2015 7.30 – 11.00 pm
OGGLE BAND - Tickets £10 - BYOD
Linda Buckley (01271 850574) Jo Clark (01271 850282)
MARWOOD PARISH COUNCIL
Abridged Reports of Meetings held on 21 May 2015 - 2016 Full Minutes published on website.

AGM - Present: Cllrs. G Tamlyn, S Darling, M Darling, T Bigge, C Wallis, R Berry, S Button, A Skentelbery


In Attendance: ND.C F Tucker, CC Mrs A Davis, Eight members of the public. M J Measures (Clerk)

All Councillors signed their Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Election of Chairman for the year 2015/2016
Cllr Gordon Tamlyn was elected Chairman. He congratulated all Councillors on their election and welcomed the new Councillors.

Election of Vice-Chairman for the year 2015/2016
Cllr C. Latham was elected Vice-Chairman.

Appointment of Council Representatives
The following were elected:
- a) Parish Paths Partnership Scheme (P3) and Tree Warden. Cllr Mrs Sheelagh Darling
- b) Marwood Matters Newsletter: Cllr Mrs Sheelagh Darling
- c) Highways Matters: Cllr Colin Latham
- d) Rural Alliances Meetings: Vacant.
- e) Planning Sub-Committee: Cllrs. G Tamlyn, C Latham, A Skentelbery
- f) Finance Sub-Committee: Cllrs. G Tamlyn, C Latham, S Button

Standing Orders and Code of Conduct - confirmed
Annual Report of the Chairman Cllr Tamlyn read his report. (Copy attached to the Minutes)

Annual Report of the Clerk to the Council. (Copy attached to the Minutes.) The meeting closed at 9.24pm

Report of the Public Meeting
There were nine members of the public present and two matters were raised.

1. Planning Application 59224 Outline Application for 5 dwellings at the lane to Varley Farm. Concerns expressed about vagueness of plans, benefit to the community, lack of affordable homes, highway and hedgerow issues.

2. Traffic problems in the lane leading to Prixford Barton Farm. Three members of the public registered concerns regarding the damage to property caused by large lorries going to/from Prixford Farm. The Parish Council was asked to re-investigate this and the large unsightly pile of tyres. The PC agreed to investigate and report back.

COUNCIL MEETING Members Present: As above

In Attendance: Cllr Mrs Davies, Cllr F Tucker. PCSO Kingdon. M J Measures (Clerk) Nine members of the public.

Minutes of the PC Meeting 23 April 2015 - agreed

Police Report PCSO Kingdon commented that there has been a decrease in the number of reported crimes in the past year. Reported numbers of burglaries is also down.

County and District Councillor Reports County Cllr Mrs Davies’ report (copy attached to the Minutes) emphasised the importance of the Boundary Commission Proposals. She will represent 26 parishes, increased from 16. Cllr Tucker noted the Civic Centre is almost completely vacated. The consultation or the Local Plan has now ended but there is a need to comment on the Boundary Proposals.

Finance Invoices were agreed for payment. The balance at 21 May is £10635.87; including precept, grants and P3 Scheme. The Internal Auditor has agreed the finances and the Return will now be sent to the External Auditors.

Planning Applications 59224 – Outline application for erection of five dwellings at lane to Varley Farm Prixford. Members looked at the site/location plans, which was an outline application, and made the following comments: the application is beyond the confines of the village; poor access at the point onto the road through Prixford; additional traffic flow onto a busy narrow road; removal of existing mature hedgerow; no immediate local facilities. Recommend: Refusal

The meeting closed 20.32
Report of the MARWOOD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
11 June 2015 - The Meeting started at 19.05

Thirteen members of the public were present in connection with the amended planning application 59023. The Agent, representing the applicant explained the amended description, the amended location plan and additional information. He said the proposed development has been reduced from 15 to 12 dwellings with 5 of these being allocated for local residents (3 low-cost open market with a fixed value of £120,000 and 2 social rent). He said the proposals include a traffic-calming scheme for the road through Prixford and that there has not yet been a response from Devon County Highways and the Environment Agency. He answered questions from the public and Councillors. Members of the public who oppose the development said the scheme is too large; it sets a precedent for future development in the Parish; the road junction still causes a considerable problem; there is no information regarding street lighting. A member of the public spoke in favour of the development saying the Parish needs some affordable housing.


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

County and District Councillor Reports Cllr Tucker said he is pleased that action is being taken locally and nationally to ban “legal highs”. In line with other Councils, North Devon Council will be charging for pre-application advice to include enquiries for extensions and conservatories.

Planning Applications 59023 – Land adj. Ring O’Bells Prixford. Outline application for proposed residential development of 12 houses with some matters reserved (amended description, amended location plan and additional information). Having listened and taken part in the public discussion, Members considered the amended application. They expressed considerable concern regarding the access at the junction with the “main road” where there is no room for improvement and commented on the speed of traffic going through the village at present. In light of there being no information or comment from Devon County Highways or the Environment Agency, it was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed to ask NDC to DEFER this application pending the reports/comments from Devon County Highways. The Chairman thanked the public for attending and eleven left the meeting at 19.50.

59340 – The Old Barn, Kings Heanton. Extensions to dwelling Rec: Approval 59349 – Combe House, Muddiford. Erection of sun room Rec: Approval 59359 – Downlyn, Milltown. Extensions to dwelling Rec: Approval Cllr Tamlyn declared a prejudicial interest and left the meeting. He did not speak or vote on this application. Cllr Latham acted as Chairman. Cllr Tucker left at 20.03

Finance Invoices were passed for payment. The Clerk reported the balance at 11 June as £9337.97 (Includes DCC P3 grant of £2000 and election budget)

Code of Conduct and Standing Orders Updating is needed and Clerk will redraft documents for Member’s consideration.

Local Government Boundary Commission Report Members expressed concern that, under the proposals, Mrs Andrea Davis will be responsible for 26 parishes in North Devon, an increase of over 60%. She has always provided an excellent service to the Parish but it is considered, that this extensive increase will place a serious burden on her.

Reports from Councillors Footpaths/Trees Cllr Wallis reported that following a meeting with the DCC Rights of Way Officer there is a need for repair work to a bridge on footpath 26. Members agreed this should be done as soon as possible.

M J Measures (Clerk to the Parish Council) The meeting closed at 20.27
Please remember anyone is welcome to join us; phone or email any member for the date of next meeting.

Please remember the items for the September Issue need to be submitted by 15th August to the Newsletter Team.

**ADVERTISEMENTS** should be submitted to Liz Neville, ‘Sleepy Corner’, Priesford, (01271 322515) with payment of £5.00, for 20 words, by the 12th of the month. Non profit making organisations free of charge. This service is for the Parish and all profit generated will be given back to the parish at the discretion of the Newsletter Team.

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