

Report of the Marwood Parish Council Meeting, 4th September 2014

Present: Cllrs G Tamlyn (Chairman), Mrs S Darling, C Spear, R May, C Latham

Apologies: Cllrs T Bigge, C Wallis, J Glanville

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

Correspondence: Proposed closure of B3230. Members expressed serious concern that this road will be closed to through traffic for about 8-10 weeks, restricting the flow of traffic especially for farm vehicles.

The Clerk was instructed to contact DCC Highways offering the suggestion that the corner of the road should be "cut-off" making the road straight. This would mean that the road would not need to be closed for such a long period.

Planning: Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for existing use as a dwelling house at Maddingly, Muddiford. **Recommend: Approval**

57803 Proposed extension incorporating cattle and workshop space at Honeywell Farm, Muddiford. **Recommend: Approval**

57813 Siting of polytunnel to house sheep and fodder at land on Whitefield Hill, Muddiford. **Recommend : Approval**

Finance. Invoices passed for payment include a £2000 donation towards the building of the new Marwood Community Hall. Following the payment of all invoices, the balance at 4 September is £6982.65 (this includes part advance of TAP Fund grant).

Reports from Councillors. It was reported that work on the new Community Hall has started.

Openness Regulations 2014. These new Regulations permit members of the public and/or Councillors to audio record and/or film Parish Council Meetings. It was AGREED to amend the current Standing Orders by deleting the paragraph relating to the use of mobile phones and recording equipment. It was also AGREED to place a notice on the door to the Hall where the meetings take place, politely requesting the public and Councillors to notify the Council if they are to make any recordings. The Clerk pointed out that there is no requirement for anyone who wishes film or record to give prior notice. If members of the public do not wish to be recorded they can object at the time.

Chairman's Discretion. The Chairman said there is still concern that 30mph traffic repeater signs cannot be placed along the B3230 through Milltown and Muddiford. This matter was discussed with DCC Highways Officers and the County Councillor during a site meeting last year. The Clerk was instructed to contact DCC Highways to ascertain the reasons why signs cannot be provided.

The meeting closed at 20.20

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FUTURE PARISH MEETING DATES IN 2014