

Report of the COUNCIL MEETING 14 January 2016
Marwood Methodist Church Hall, Guineaford

Members Present: Cllrs. C Latham, Mrs S Darling, S Button, R Berry, C Wallis, A Skentelbery,

Apologies: Cllr T Bigge, M Darling. PCSO Kingdon

In Attendance: Cllr Mrs Davis, Cllr F Tucker . Two members of the public. M J Measures (Clerk to the Council)

Both sets of Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 26 November 2015 and 10 December 2015 were agreed and signed as a true record.

Minutes Reports from County and District Councillors

Cllr Mrs Davis said anyone who wishes to report highways matters, such as **potholes, should call 0345 155 1004: as many people as possible should make the report and not leave it to one person.** The Clerk reported on an e-mail received from a member of the public concerning the poor condition of the road leading around to the Parish Church from the entrance to Marwood Hill Gardens and down to the private road to the Townridden area. The County Councillor emphasised the procedure and said that there are very limited funds available.

Cllr Mrs Davis left the meeting at 19.45

Cllr Tucker said there is a report concerning the noise from Fullabrook Wind Turbines and a date for a meeting is to be arranged. He commented that the District Council website has been recognised as "one of the best". An insulation scheme is available for properties built before 1930; CAB Annual Report.

Police Report No crimes had been reported in the last month.

Finance Invoices passed for payment: Invoices passed for payment: C Wallis £220.00 (TAP Fund); Admin Expenses £59.75 (Nov-Dec). The Clerk reported the balance at 14 January as £8132.64 and commented that the second half-year grants will be made in the next few months. It was confirmed to reduce the precept by £1000.00 and request a precept of £4000 for the year 2016/17. The Clerk reported that a request for a grant of £726.00 has been made in connection with the

Transparency Fund for Smaller Authorities. Cllr Sue Button confirmed that she will be working with June Tamlyn in operating the Parish Council's website pages.

Planning Matters/Applications Members agreed to consider this late application (received 14 January 2016)

60506 — Mr & Mrs R May. Springfield Nursery, Marwood. Retention of and alterations to temporary classroom. Recommend : Approval

Cllr Sue Button reported that she and Cllr Skentelbery had attended the NDC Planning Meeting 13 January where it was confirmed that the new development in Prixford will comprise 2 social rent, 3 Low cost and 7 open market properties.

On-going Matters

Parish Notice Boards. The Clerk reported that the notice board at Milltown has been blown from its stand (the wooden backing had rotted) and that some other boards are in need of repair or replacement. He was instructed to obtain prices of replacement boards and report to the next meeting.

Off-site development contribution. Cllr Tucker said two schemes have been put forward namely, playground facilities and seating at the proposed new development behind the Ring O' Bells and improving facilities at the new Community Hall. He said the funds have to be used within 5 years or they will be returned to the developer. The Clerk will investigate any on-going financial liability to the Parish Council.

One member of the public left the meeting at 20.30

Reports from Councillors

Parish Footpaths. Cllr Mrs Darling said all the footpaths have been walked and the report has been sent to Devon County Rights of Way to be assessed for a grant for the next year. The Clerk will complete the financial return.

Highways. Members expressed their concern that it requires as many people as possible to report damage to highways (potholes). The number to call 0345 155 1004. Barnstaple Record Office. The Clerk reported that funds have been received to keep the office open for this financial but the future still has to be decided.

The last items on the agenda concerned the Cooption of a Councillor and Code of Conduct. It was agreed that any press and public be excluded, due to its confidential nature.

One member of the public and Cllr Tucker left the meeting

Next Meeting The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Thursday 11 February.

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Measures (Clerk)

The next Fullabrook public meeting mentioned in the report above will be on:

Monday 8 February at 6.30pm

Marwood Community Hall

The panel will be: Customer and Corporate Communications Manager Claire Holm, Head of Environmental Health Jeremy Mann, Lead Officer for Environmental Protection Andy Cole, noise expert and author of NDC's monitoring reports Bob Davies, Lead Member for the Environment Cllr Rodney Cann and Ian Whitehead and Marjella McCarron from ESBI.

Everyone is welcome to attend